

## PART II

### THE TRAFFIC SIGNS GENERAL DIRECTIONS 1994

#### Citation and commencement

1. This Part of this Instrument—
  - (a) may be cited—
    - (i) as the Traffic Signs General Directions 1994, and
    - (ii) together with Part I above, as the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1994; and
  - (b) shall come into force on 12th August 1994.

#### Revocations

2. The Instruments specified in Appendix 2 to this Instrument, so far as they consist of or comprise directions, are hereby revoked except that for the purposes of the Traffic Signs (Welsh and English Language Provisions) Regulations and General Directions 1985(1) the revocations of the Directions marked with an asterisk in Appendix 2 shall have no effect.

#### Interpretation

- 3.—(1) In these Directions—
- “the 1971 Regulations” means the “Zebra” Pedestrian Crossings Regulations 1971(2);
  - “controlled parking zone” has the meaning given in direction 23;
  - “former Directions” means the Directions revoked by these Directions;
  - “the Regulations” means the Traffic Signs Regulations 1994(3),

and the expressions listed in paragraph (2) have the same meaning as in the Regulations.

- (2) Those expressions are—
- “the 1981 Regulations”;
  - “the 1984 Act”;
  - “automatic level crossing”;
  - “central reservation”;
  - “cycle lane”;
  - “dual carriageway road”;
  - “hours of darkness”;
  - “level crossing”;
  - “manually operated”;
  - “maximum gross weight”;
  - “motorway”;
  - “national speed limit”;
  - “non-primary route”;

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(1) S.I.1985/713.

(2) S.I. 1971/1524.

(3) Part I of this Instrument.

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“pedal cycle”;  
“pedestrian zone”;  
“plate”;  
“primary route”;  
“principal road”;  
“road marking”;  
“route”;  
“sign”;  
“speed limit”;  
“stud”;  
“temporary statutory provision”;  
“traffic lane”; and  
“variable message sign”.

#### **References in the Directions**

4. In these Directions, unless it is expressly provided otherwise or the context otherwise requires,

- (a) a reference to a numbered direction is a reference to the direction so numbered in these Directions;
- (b) a reference to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph so numbered in the direction in which the reference occurs;
- (c) a reference to a sub-paragraph followed by a number or letter is a reference to the sub-paragraph bearing that number or letter in the direction in which the reference occurs;
- (d) a reference to a numbered diagram is a reference to the diagram so numbered in a Schedule to the Regulations;
- (e) a reference to a sign shown in a diagram in a Schedule to the Regulations includes a reference to that sign as varied in accordance with the Regulations;
- (f) a reference to a numbered regulation or Schedule is a reference to the regulation of, or to the Schedule to, the Regulations so numbered; and
- (g) in any direction which includes a table, references to a table are to the table in that direction.

#### **Saving**

5. Any sign, which immediately before the coming into force of these Directions was placed on or near any road in conformity with the former Directions, so long as it continues to conform with those Directions as though they had not been revoked, shall be treated as if placed in conformity with these Directions, notwithstanding any provision of these Directions to the contrary.

#### **Signs to be placed only at sites approved by the Secretary of State**

6. A sign shown in diagram 601.1, or in diagram 1040 or 1040.2 (when either is varied to include a continuous white line bounding the hatched marking), shall not be placed for the first time at any site except with the approval of the Secretary of State.

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**Signs to be placed only to indicate the effect of a statutory prohibition**

7.—(1) Except as provided by paragraph (3), the signs to which this paragraph applies may be placed on or near a road only to indicate the effect of an Act, order, regulation, byelaw or notice (“the effect of a statutory provision”) which prohibits or restricts the use of the road by traffic.

(2) Paragraph (1) applies to—

- (a) the signs shown in diagrams 606, 607, 609, 612, 613, 614, 616, 617, 618, 618.1, 618.2, 618.3, 618.3A, 618.4, 619, 619.1, 619.2, 620, 620.1, 622.1A, 622.2, 622.4, 622.5, 622.6, 625.1, 626.2, 627.1, 629, 629.1, 629.2, 629.2A, 632, 636, 636.1, 637, 637.1, 637.2, 637.3, 638, 638.1, 639, 639.1A, 640, 640.2A, 640.3, 640.4, 640.5, 642, 642.2, 642.3, 643, 644, 646, 647, 650.1, 650.2, 651, 652, 660, 660.3, 660.4, 660.5, 661, 661.1, 661.2, 661.3, 661.4, 662, 663, 663.1, 664, 665, 666, 667, 667.1, 667.2, 668, 668.1, 668.2, 669, 669.1, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 804.1, 804.2, 804.3, 810, 951, 952, 953, 953.1, 953.2, 954, 954.1, 954.2, 954.3, 954.4, 955, 956, 957, 958, 958.1, 959, 959.1, 960, 960.1, 961, 962, 962.1, 962.2, 963, 963.1, 963.2, 963.3, 964, 969, 974, 975, 1017, 1018.1, 1019, 1020.1, 1025.1, 1025.3, 1028.2, 1028.3, 1028.4, 1032, 1033, 1036.1, 1036.2, 1037.1, 1046, 1048, 1048.1, 1049, 1049.1, 1050, 2003, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2107, 2108, 2123, 2124, 5001.1, 5001.2, 5003, 5003.1, 5005, 5005.1, 7201, 7203.1, 7204, 7207, 7210, 7211, 7212, 7213, 7214, 7215, 7216, 7217, 7218, 7220, 7230, 7231, 7232, 7233, 7234, 7260, 7261, 7262, 7263, 7282, 7283 and 7284; and
- (b) any sign which, by virtue of regulation 17 and item 31 of Schedule 16, incorporates as a symbol a sign shown in a diagram specified in sub-paragraph (a).

(3) The sign shown in a diagram whose number is specified in an item in column (2) of the Table may be placed at the place or in the circumstances specified in column (3) of that item notwithstanding that it does not in those circumstances indicate the effect of a statutory provision.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Diagram</i>	(3) <i>Circumstances</i>
1.	606	On the central island of a roundabout or in combination with a plate of the type shown in diagram 608.
2.	609	On a road approaching its junction with a dual carriageway road or in combination with a plate of the type shown in diagram 608.
3.	616, 1046	At a site which has been approved by the Secretary of State.
4.	629.2, 629.2A	On— (a) a road which passes under or through a bridge, tunnel or other structure which limits the height of vehicles using that road; or

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		(b) any such bridge, tunnel or other structure.
5.	2003, 2007, 2009, 2107, 2108	When including a symbol represented in— (a) any diagram in Schedule 1; or (b) diagram 629.2 or 629.2A in the circumstances specified in item 4 above.
6.	669, 669.1	When placed to indicate that the prohibition indicated by the sign shown in diagram 629.2 or 629.2A is ahead, provided that that sign has been placed in the circumstances specified in item 4 above.

(4) The sign shown in diagram 626.2 may be placed only to indicate the effect of a statutory provision which restricts the use of a road carried by a bridge or other structure—

- (a) in the case of vehicles required to be marked with their maximum gross weight, to any vehicle with a maximum gross weight not exceeding that indicated on the sign; or
- (b) in the case of vehicles not required to be marked with their maximum gross weight but required to be marked with their unladen weight, to any vehicle with an unladen weight not exceeding the maximum gross weight indicated on the sign.

**The placing of certain signs to indicate the beginning of a restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit**

8.—(1) This direction applies to a sign which is shown in diagram 616, 617, 618, 618.1, 618.2, 618.3, 618.3A, 619, 619.1, 619.2, 620, 620.1, 622.1A, 622.4, 622.5, 622.6, 625.1, 626.2, 627.1, 629, 629.1, 629.2, 629.2A, 632, 642, 646, 663, 663.1, 665, 667, 667.1, 668, 668.1, 670, 672, 674, 951, 952, 953, 953.1, 955, 956 or 957 and which is placed to indicate the point at which a restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit applying to traffic on a road (in this direction called “the relevant road”) begins.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), a sign to which this direction applies shall be placed on the relevant road at or as near as practicable to the point referred to in paragraph (1)—

- (a) where the road has only one carriageway, on each side of the carriageway of the road; or
- (b) where the road has more than one carriageway, on each side of each carriageway in relation to which the restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit begins.

(3) Where the relevant road has one carriageway, signs to which this direction applies need only be placed on one side of the relevant road to indicate the point at which a restriction, requirement, prohibition (but not a speed limit) begins—

- (a) where the restriction, requirement or prohibition applies only to traffic on one side of the relevant road; or
- (b) at a junction where—

- (i) traffic proceeding on another road on which it is permitted to proceed only in one direction turns into the relevant road; or
- (ii) the relevant road is less than 5 metres wide.

(4) Where a length of road which passes under or through a bridge, tunnel or other structure is subject to a prohibition on vehicles exceeding a particular height, the sign shown in diagram 629.2 or 629.2A may be placed on the bridge, tunnel or other structure to indicate the prohibition in addition to or instead of the signs placed as required by paragraph (2).

### **The placing of certain signs to indicate the end of a restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit**

9.—(1) When a sign shown in diagram 618.4, 622.2, 645, 647, 664, 666, 667.2, 668.2, 673, 675 or 964 is placed to indicate the point at which traffic on a road ceases to be subject to a restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit, the sign shall be placed on the road as near as practicable to that point.

(2) Where a length of road ceases to be subject to a speed limit and becomes subject to a national speed limit, the sign shown in diagram 671 shall be placed at or as near as practicable to the point where the speed limit ends and a national speed limit begins, except in a case where a restriction of speed has been imposed under section 14 of the 1984 Act by reason of works which are being or are proposed to be executed on or near the road in which case

- (a) the sign shown—
  - (i) in diagram 7006; or
  - (ii) in diagram 7001 when placed in combination with the plate shown in diagram 645; shall be placed as indicated above in this paragraph; and
- (b) the sign shown in diagram 671 may also be so placed.

(3) When a sign shown in diagram 671, 673 or 675 is placed to indicate the point at which traffic on a road ceases to be subject to a speed limit—

- (a) where the road has only one carriageway, one such sign shall be placed on each side of the carriageway of the road; or
- (b) where the road has more than one carriageway, one such sign shall be placed on each side of each carriageway on which the speed limit ends.

### **Repeater signs**

10.—(1) Paragraph (2) applies to the signs shown in diagrams 614, 632, 636, 636.1, 637, 637.1, 637.2, 637.3, 638, 638.1 when the arrow is omitted, 639 when the arrow is omitted, 640 when the arrow is omitted, 642, 646, 670, 672, 956, 957, 959, 959.1, 960, 960.1 and 961.

(2) Signs to which this paragraph applies shall be placed at regular intervals along a road which is subject to a restriction, requirement, prohibition or speed limit which can be indicated by the signs, except that the sign shown in diagram 670 shall not be placed along a road which is—

- (a) in England and Wales a restricted road as defined by section 82 of the 1984 Act and in Scotland a road as respects which there is in force an order prohibiting the driving of motor vehicles at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour and on which there is provided a system of carriageway lighting furnished by means of lamps placed not more than 185 metres apart; or
- (b) a motorway on which a national speed limit is in force.

(3) The sign shown in diagram 671 shall be placed at regular intervals along the length of a road (other than a motorway) on which—

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- (a) there is a system of street or carriageway lighting furnished by lamps lit by electricity placed not more than 183 metres apart in England and Wales or not more than 185 metres apart in Scotland; and
- (b) a national speed limit is in force.

**Signs to be placed only on specified types of road**

**11.**—(1) The signs shown in diagrams 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2030, 2030.1, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2313, 2314, 2315 and 2315.1 may be placed only on or near a primary route.

(2) The signs shown in diagrams 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 may be placed only on a primary route, or on a non-primary route at a junction with a primary route.

**12.**—(1) The signs shown in diagrams 2101, 2101.1, 2101.2, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2113.1, 2114, 2115, 2115.1, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2128, 2130, 2131, 2133, 2135, 2138, 2310, 2311, 2312 and 2312.1 may be placed only on or near a non-primary route.

(2) The signs shown in diagrams 2125, 2126, 2127, 2132, 2134, 2136, 2137, 2322, 2323 and 2807 may be placed only on or near a non-primary route, or on a primary route at a junction with a non-primary route.

(3) The signs shown in diagrams 1012.3, 2031, 2129, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2216, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2610.1, 2610.2, 2701, 2702, 2703, 2704, 2705, 2706, 2707, 2708, 2709, 2710, 2712, 2713.1, 2801, 2802, 2803, 2804, 2805, 2806 and 7240 may not be placed on a motorway.

**13.**—(1) The signs shown in diagrams 832.3, 1012.2, 1042, 2901, 2903, 2904, 2904.1, 2905, 2906, 2908, 2909, 2910, 2910.1, 2911, 2912, 2913, 2914, 2915, 2916, 2917, 2918, 2919, 2920, 2922, 2923, 2924, 2925, 2926, 2927, 2928, 2929, 2930, 2931, 2932, 7002, 7212, 7220, 7230 and 7233 may be placed only on or near a motorway.

(2) The signs shown in diagrams 2902 and 2902.1 may be placed only on a motorway or on another road at a junction with a motorway.

**14.**—(1) The signs shown in diagrams 823, 824, 825, 868, 868.1, 872, 873, 874, 875 and 876 may be placed only on or near—

- (a) a motorway when the colour of the background of the sign is blue;
- (b) a primary route when the colour of the background of the sign is green; or
- (c) a non-primary route when the colour of the background of the sign is white.

(2) The sign shown in diagram 877 may be placed only on or near—

- (a) a primary route when the colour of the background of the sign is green; or
- (b) a non-primary route when the colour of the background of the sign is white.

**Signs to be placed only in conjunction with specified road markings (except signs for prohibitions and restrictions on waiting etc)**

**15.**—(1) Save as provided in paragraph (2), a sign shown in a diagram whose number appears and is placed in the circumstances (if any) or is in the form (if any) specified in an item in column (2)

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in the Table may be placed on a road only in conjunction with a road marking shown in a diagram whose number appears and is in the form (if any) specified in column (3) of that item.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Sign diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Road marking diagram number</i>
1.	557.1	1060, 1060.1, 1061 or 1061.1
2.	601.1	1002.1 and 1022
3.	602	1003 and 1023
4.	611.1 if placed in conjunction with diagram 602	1003, 1003.4 and 1023
5.	611.1	1003.3 and 1003.4
6.	957	1057
7.	959	1048 and 1049
8.	959.1	1049 varied to a width of 150 millimetres and 1057
9.	960	1048 and 1049
10.	960 varied to include pedal cycle symbol	1048.1 and 1049
11.	960.1	1049 varied to a width of 150 millimetres and 1057

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) requiring the placing of a sign shown in diagram 601.1, 602 or 611.1 in conjunction with a road marking shall not apply during the execution of works on a road near the sign—

- (a) if those works necessitate the temporary removal of the marking; or
- (b) if the sign is erected only temporarily in connection with the execution of works on a road.

**Road markings to be placed only in conjunction with other road markings or specified signs (except road markings for prohibitions and restrictions on waiting etc)**

**16.—(1)** A road marking shown in a diagram whose number appears and is placed in the circumstances (if any) specified in an item in column (2) of the Table may be placed on the carriageway of a road only in conjunction with a road marking or sign shown in a diagram whose number appears and is in the form (if any) specified in column (3) of that item.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Road marking diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Road marking or sign number</i>
1.	1001 unless placed at a site where traffic is from time to time controlled by a constable	3000, 3000.1, 3000.2, 3000.3, 3000.4, 3000.5, 3000.6 or 3014

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(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Road marking diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Road marking or sign number</i>
2.	1002.1 and 1022	601.1
3.	1003.3	611.1 and 1003.4
4.	1003.4	611.1
5.	1022	601.1 and 1002.1
6.	1023	1003
7.	1024.1	1010 and 1014
8.	1048	1049 and either 959 or 960
9.	1048.1	1049 and 960 varied to include the pedal cycle symbol
10.	1049	957 and 1057, or 1048 and either 959 or 960, or 1048.1 and 960 varied to include the pedal cycle symbol, or 1057 and either 959.1 or 960.1
11.	1049.1	957 and 1057
12.	1050	964 and 1049
13.	1057	955, 956, 957, 959.1, 960.1 or 967
14.	1058	1057
15.	1059	1057
16.	1060, 1060.1, 1061, 1061.1 unless 557.1 placed in a zone indicated by the sign shown in diagram 674	

(2) A road marking shown in diagram 1003, 1023 or 1049 when varied in size to conform with any of the smaller dimensions prescribed for it may be placed on the carriageway only in conjunction with the marking shown in diagram 1057 and with one or more of the signs shown in diagrams 955, 957, 959.1, 960.1 and 967.

(3) The road marking shown in diagram 1009 when varied in size to conform with the smallest dimensions prescribed for it may be placed on the carriageway only to mark the junction of a cycle track and another road and in conjunction with the road markings shown in diagrams 1003 and 1023 and having the smaller dimensions prescribed for them.

### **The placing of the signs shown in diagrams 615 and 811**

17. The signs shown in diagrams 615 and 811 may be placed on a road only in conjunction with one another.



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**Signs to be placed only in combination with specified plates or other signs**

18.—(1) A sign shown in a diagram whose number appears and is placed in the circumstances (if any) specified in an item in column (2) of the Table may be placed on a road only in combination with a plate shown in the diagram whose number appears in column (3) of that item.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Sign diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Plate diagram number</i>
1.	501 when placed in advance of the sign shown in diagram 601.1	502
2.	501 when placed in advance of the sign shown in diagram 602	503
3.	544.2	547.4
4.	553.1	553.2
5.	554.2	554.3
6.	556.1	556.2
7.	557.1	557.2, 557.3 or 557.4
8.	562	563, 563.1 or 7022
9.	583	583.1
10.	615	615.1
11.	617	618 or 618.1
12.	779	780, 780.1 or 780.2
13.	811	811.1
14.	953	953.2
15.	953.1	953.2

(2) The sign shown in diagram 545 may be placed on a road only in combination with a plate shown in diagram 546, 547.1, 547.2, 547.3 or 547.7 or the sign shown in diagram 4004.

(3) A sign shown in diagram 515.1A or 515.2 may be placed on a road only in combination with the sign shown in diagram 606.

**Plates to be placed only in combination with specified signs**

19. A plate shown in a diagram whose number appears and is in the form (if any) specified in an item in column (2) of the Table may be placed on a road only in combination with a sign shown in a diagram whose number appears and is placed in the circumstances (if any) specified in column (3) of that item.

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**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Plate diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Sign diagram number</i>
1.	502	501
2.	503	501
3.	511	504.1, 505.1, 506.1, 507.1, 510, 512, 512.1, 512.2, 513, 516, 517, 520, 523.1, 524.1, 528 or 556
4.	511 when varied to "HEAVY PLANT CROSSING"	504.1, 505.1, 506.1, 507.1, 512.1 or 512.2
5.	513.1	512, 512.1, 512.2 or 513
6.	513.2	512, 512.1, 512.2, 513 or 7009
7.	518	516, 517 or 520
8.	519	516 or 517
9.	525	523.1 or 524.1
10.	526	512, 512.1, 512.2, 513, 523.1, 524.1 or 554.1
11.	527	523.1 or 524.1
12.	530.1	530
13.	530.2	530, 629.2 or 629.2A
14.	531.2	531.1
15.	543.1	543, 3000, 3000.3, 3000.4, 3000.5 or 3000.6
16.	546	545
17.	547.1	545
18.	547.2	545
19.	547.3	544.1 or 545
20.	547.4	544.2
21.	547.5	544
22.	547.6	543
23.	547.7	545
24.	548.1	548 when placed in advance of the sign shown in diagram 4005
25.	553	552
26.	553.2	553.1

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27.	554.3	554.2, 622.1A, 622.4, 629, 629.1 or 632
28.	556.2	556.1
29.	557.2	557.1
30.	557.3	557.1
31.	557.4	557.1
32.	558.2	558
33.	563	562
34.	563.1	562
35.	570	513, 516 when placed in combination with 518 or 519, 517 when placed in combination with 518 or 519, 521, 523.1, 524.1, 548, 549, 550, 550.1, 51, 551.1, 551.2, 553.1, 554.2, 556, 556.1, 557, 558, 558.1, 559, 581, 582, 614, 615, 632, 642, 811, 7001 or 7009
36.	572	504.1, 505.1, 506.1, 507.1, 516, 517, 520, 521, 522, 523.1, 524.1, 528, 529, 529.1, 530, 531.1, 543, 544, 544.1, 544.2, 545, 552, 554, 555, 562, 770, 771, 772, 782, 950, 7001 or 7009
37.	573	516, 517, 523.1, 524.1, 528, 529, 529.1, 530, 531.1, 543, 544, 544.1, 544.2, 545, 552, 554, 555, 562, 770, 771, 772, 782, 950, 7001 or 7009
38.	575	516, 517, 528 or 529.1
39.	583.1	583
40.	607	606 or 609
41.	608	501, 601.1, 602, 606, 609 or 610
42.	615.1	615
43.	618	617
44.	618.1	617
45.	620	619, 619.1, 619.2, 622.1A, 622.5, 622.6, 629, 629.1 or 952

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46.	620.1	619 or 619.1
47.	627.1	626.2
48.	643	636 or 642
49.	644	636 or 642
50.	645	614, 615, 632, 642, 811 or 7001
51.	773	529, 529.1, 558, 770, 771 or 772
52.	778	602
53.	778.1	602
54.	780	779
55.	780.1	779
56.	780.2	779
57.	804.1	801
58.	804.2	801
59.	804.3	801
60.	811.1	811
61.	817.2	523.1 and either 523 or 526, or 554.1 and 526
62.	876	868, 868.1, 872, 873, 874 or 875
63.	950.1	950
64.	953.2	953 or 953.1
65.	954	606, 609, 612, 613, 616, 629 or 629.1
66.	954.1	606, 609, 612, 613, 616, 629 or 629.1
67.	954.2	606, 609, 612, 613, 616, 629, 629.1 or 952
68.	954.3	606, 609, 612 or 613
69.	954.4	606, 609, 612, 613 or 816
70.	961	958, 958.1, 959 or 959.1
71.	7001.1	7001
72.	7001.2	7001
73.	7021	7001
74.	7022	562

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(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Plate diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Sign diagram number</i>
75.	7208	7202, 7206 or 7207
76.	7209	7203, 7203.1, 7204 or 7205
77.	7256	7250, 7251, 7252, 7253, 7254 or 7255
78.	7401.1	7401

(2) A plate shown in diagram 954.3 or 954.4 shall not be placed in combination with the sign shown in diagram 616.

**Placing of road markings and signs to indicate prohibitions and restrictions on waiting, loading and unloading and parking**

**20.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3)—

- (a) the road marking shown in diagram 1018.1 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a statutory prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles which applies on that side of the road at all times of day on every day of the year or on every day in a period of at least four consecutive months;
- (b) the road marking shown in diagram 1017 may be placed on a side of a road only for the purpose of indicating a statutory prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles which is not a restriction of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (a).

(2) In this direction, references to a statutory prohibition or restriction on the waiting of a vehicle do not include references to any such prohibition or restriction imposed—

- (a) on waiting for the purpose of loading or unloading goods from a vehicle or picking up or setting down passengers from a vehicle;
- (b) expressly to limit the duration of waiting of vehicles within a particular period; or
- (c) on the waiting of goods vehicles (as defined by section 192(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1988(4)) but of no other class of vehicle.

(3) A road marking shown in diagram 1017 or 1018.1 shall not be placed on a road on which a marking shown in diagram 1025.1 or 1025.3 is placed, or on which the marking shown in diagram 1027.1 is placed in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 642.2 unless the restrictions indicated by the marking shown in diagram 1017 or 1018.1 apply on that road at times other than those indicated on the sign shown in diagram 642.2.

**21.**—(1) The road marking shown in diagram 1020.1 may be placed on a side of the carriageway of a road only for the purpose of indicating a statutory prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles for the purpose of their being loaded or unloaded which applies on that side of the road at all times of the day on every day of the year or on every day in a period of at least four consecutive months.

(2) The road marking shown in diagram 1019 may be placed on a side of the carriageway of a road only for the purpose of indicating a statutory prohibition or restriction on the waiting of vehicles for the purpose of their being loaded or unloaded (but not for indicating a statutory prohibition or restriction which expressly limits the duration of waiting by vehicles within a particular period for that purpose) which is not a restriction of the kind mentioned in paragraph (1).

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22.—(1) Except where it is placed to indicate the effect of a temporary statutory provision, a sign shown in a diagram whose number appears in column (2) of an item in the Table shall not be placed except—

- (a) on or near the side of a road, and
- (b) in conjunction with, and on the same side of the road as, a road marking which is shown in a diagram and is in the form (if any) indicated in column (3) of that item.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Sign diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Road marking diagram</i>
1.	637	1018.1
2.	637.3	1018.1
3.	638	1020.1
4.	638.1	1019
5.	639	1017
6.	639.1A	1017 and 1028.4 (when no legend appears) or 1033
7.	640	1017 and 1019
8.	642.2	1027.1
9.	642.3	1018.1 and 1020.1
10.	650.1	1028.2 when indicating “TAXIS”
11.	650.2	1028.2 when indicating “TAXIS”
12.	660	1028.3 when varied to indicate “LARGE OR SLOW VEHICLES ONLY”, 1028.4 when indicating “DOCTOR” or when no legend appears, or 1033
13.	660.3	1028.4 when indicating “DOCTOR” or when no legend appears, or 1033
14.	660.4	1028.3 when varied to indicate “LOADING ONLY”, or 1033
15.	660.5	1028.4 when no legend appears, 1032 or 1033
16.	661	1028.3 or 1033 when either road marking is indicating “DISABLED” or when no legend appears

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(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Sign diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Road marking diagram</i>
17.	661.1	1028.4 when no legend appears, 1032 or 1033
18.	661.2	1028.4 when no legend appears, 1032 or 1033
19.	662	1028.4 when no legend appears, 1032 or 1033
20.	974	1025.1 or 1025.3
21.	975	1025.1 or 1025.3 when either marking is varied to “BUS STAND”

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) the sign shown in diagram 637.2 may be placed only on a road within a pedestrian zone where a sign shown in diagram 618.2, 618.3 or 618.3A is placed at each entrance into the zone for vehicular traffic.

(3) The sign shown in diagram 637.2 shall not be used on a road within the pedestrian zone to which the sign relates except in conjunction with—

- (a) the road marking shown in diagram 1017 or 1018.1 unless—
  - (i) the road does not comprise a carriageway and footway which are separately defined;
  - (ii) the entry of vehicular traffic into the pedestrian zone is restricted at the same times as those at which the waiting of vehicles is prohibited as indicated on the upper panel of the sign in diagram 637.2; and
  - (iii) the prohibition on the waiting of vehicles applies uniformly throughout every road in the zone, and
- (b) where there is a prohibition on the loading and unloading of vehicles, the road marking shown in diagram 1019 or 1020.1 unless—
  - (i) the road does not comprise a carriageway and footway which are separately defined;
  - (ii) the entry of vehicular traffic into the pedestrian zone is restricted at the same times as those at which the loading and unloading of vehicles is prohibited as indicated on the lower panel of the sign in diagram 637.2; and
  - (iii) the prohibition on the loading and unloading of vehicles applies uniformly throughout every road in the zone.

**23.—**(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a road marking shown in a diagram whose number appears and is in the form (if any) specified in an item in column (2) of the Table may be placed on the carriageway only in conjunction with, and on the same side of the road as, a sign shown in a diagram whose number appears and is in the form specified (if any) in column (3) of that item.

**Table**

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Road marking diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Sign diagram number</i>
1.	1017	637.2, 639, 639.1A or 640
2.	1018.1	637, 637.2, 637.3 or 642.3

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(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Road marking diagram number</i>	(3) <i>Sign diagram number</i>
3.	1019	637.2, 638.1 or 640
4.	1020.1	637.2, 638 or 642.3
5.	1025.1	974 or 975
6.	1025.3	974 or 975
7.	1028.2 when indicating “TAXIS”	650.1 or 650.2
8.	1028.2 when varied to “BUSES” or “COACHES”	969
9.	1028.3 when indicating “DISABLED” or when no legend appears	661
10.	1028.3 when varied to “LARGE OR varied to” Large or slow “SLOW VEHICLES ONLY vehicles only”	660
11.	1028.3 when varied to “LOADING ONLY”	660.4
12.	1028.4 when indicating “DOCTOR” varied to “Doctor permit holders only”	660
13.	1028.4 when no legend appears	639.1A, 660, 660.3, 660.5, 661.1, 661.2, 661.3, 662 or 801
14.	1033 when indicating “DISABLED”	661

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a road marking placed on a road within a controlled parking zone, except where the road marking is placed to indicate restrictions different from the restrictions indicated on a sign shown in diagram 663 or 663.1 placed at the entrances for vehicular traffic into the zone.

(3) In this direction and direction 24, “controlled parking zone” means either—

(a) an area—

- (i) in which, except where parking places have been provided, every road has been marked with one or more of the road markings shown in diagrams 1017, 1018.1, 1019 and 1020.1; and
- (ii) into which each entrance for vehicular traffic has been indicated by a sign shown in diagram 663 or 663.1; or

(b) an area—

- (i) in which at least one of the signs shown in diagram 640.2A has been placed on each side of every road; and
- (ii) into which each entrance for vehicular traffic has been indicated by a sign shown in diagram 665.



24. A sign shown in diagram 663, 663.1, 664, 665 or 666 may be placed only at the boundary of a controlled parking zone.

#### **Signs to be placed only at specified sites or for specified purposes**

25. The sign shown in diagram 545, when placed in combination with the plate shown in diagram 547.1, or with a plate shown in either diagram 546 or 547.1 together with the sign shown in diagram 4004, may be placed only near a school crossing place as defined by regulation 39(2).

26. The sign shown in diagram 551.1 may be placed on or near a road only—

- (a) at a site which is approved as a migratory toad crossing by or on behalf of the Secretary of State; and
- (b) during February, March, April and May in each year.

27. The sign shown in diagram 574 may be placed only in or near an infected place or area for the purposes of the Animal Health Act 1981(5) and shall be removed as soon as it ceases to be in or near such a place or area.

28. A sign shown in diagram 830, 830.1, 831 or 832, except when varied to contain the words “WEIGHT CHECK”, and the sign shown in diagram 830.3 except when placed in connection with a weight check, may be placed only in connection with a traffic census the taking of which on a road has been approved—

- (a) by the traffic authority for that road;
- (b) by the chief officer of police of the police area in which the road is situated; and
- (c) by or on behalf of the Secretary of State.

29. A sign shown in diagram 833, 834, 835 or 836 may be placed only to regulate the movement of vehicular traffic into and out of premises with more than one access to a road.

30. The sign shown in diagram 957 may be placed on a road only when the road has been divided into a part reserved for the use of pedal cycles only and a part reserved for use by pedestrians only by either or both of the following means—

- (a) the road marking shown in diagram 1049 (when that marking is varied to be 150 millimetres wide) or 1049.1;
- (b) the presence on the road of works such as distinctive colouring of the surface of each part, a kerb or other device.

#### **Restrictions on the placing of temporary signs**

31. The signs shown in any diagram in Schedule 12 other than diagrams 7014 and 7103 may be placed only in connection with the execution of works on or near a road or a temporary obstruction thereon, and any such sign so placed and any other sign shown in a diagram in Schedules 1 to 11 so placed shall not be retained on or near the road after the completion of the works or the removal of the obstruction, as the case may be, unless—

- (a) it is a sign of the type shown in diagram 7009, in which case that sign may be retained on or near a road after the completion of the works for so long as the traffic authority for the road thinks fit; or
- (b) it is a sign of the type shown in diagram 7012 bearing the words “NO GIVE WAY MARKINGS” or “NO STOP MARKINGS”, in which case that sign shall be removed as soon as the road markings have been replaced and in any event not later than 28 days after the completion of the works.

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**32.** A sign shown in diagram 790 or 7014 may be placed on or near a road only in connection with works involving an alteration in the layout of the carriageway or involving the removal of or a change in the road markings or other traffic signs placed on or near a road or, in the case of the sign shown in diagram 790, at an automatic railway level crossing, and may be retained for not more than 3 months after completion of those works.

**33.—(1)** No sign of the kind referred to in regulation 41 may be retained at any place for more than six months (or such longer period as the Secretary of State may approve) after the placing of the sign there or in any event after the sign has ceased to be needed at that place.

(2) The sign shown in diagram 2701 may be retained on or near a road for not more than six months after completion of the housing development to which it refers.

**34.—(1)** A sign shown in diagram 7023 or 7024 may be placed on or near a road only where one-way working is necessary owing to a temporary closure to vehicular traffic of a part of the width of the carriageway of the road.

(2) A sign shown in diagram 829.1, 829.2, 829.3, 829.4 or 1063 may be placed on or near a road only by a constable in uniform or a person acting under the instructions or authority of the chief officer of police.

(3) A sign shown in diagram 554 (when varied to “Flood” or “No smoking”), 554.2 (when placed in conjunction with the plate shown in diagram 554.3), or 562 (when placed in combination with the plate shown in diagram 563 varied to “Accident”, “Census”, “Dust cloud”, “Fallen tree”, “Overhead cable repairs” or “Smoke”) may be retained only on or near a road for so long as the hazard indicated by the sign continues to exist or is expected to recur in the near future.

(4) The sign shown in diagram 950 may be placed in combination with the plate shown in diagram 950.1 only while the training or testing of child cyclists is in progress.

#### **Placing of signs varied to show metric units**

**35.—(1)** Where the indication given by a sign shown in diagram 629, 629.1, 780, 780.1 or 780.2 is varied in accordance with regulation 17 and item 2 of Schedule 16, that sign may be placed only in combination with another sign of the same type whose indication has not been so varied.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall apply when a sign shown in diagram 629 or 629.1 is incorporated as a symbol into another sign.

#### **Mounting and backing of signs**

**36.—(1)** Where a sign shown in a diagram (other than the diagrams referred to in paragraphs (2) to (4) or direction 38 or 39) in Schedules 1 to 5, 7, Part II of Schedule 10, Schedule 12 or a sign prescribed in regulation 41 is mounted on a post specially provided for the purpose (“the post”), that part of the post which extends above ground level shall be coloured grey or black, except that—

- (a) where the post is made of aluminium, concrete, galvanised metal or wood, the post may retain its natural colour; and
- (b) where the post is not likely to be readily visible to pedestrians if wholly coloured grey or black, a yellow or white band not less than 140 nor more than 160 millimetres deep may be provided on the post, the lower edge of the band being not less than 1500 nor more than 1700 millimetres above ground level.

(2) Where a beacon or lamp of a kind prescribed by regulation 42 or 43 is mounted on a structure specially provided for the purpose, the structure shall be coloured grey, red, white or yellow, or in alternate bands of red and white or of black and white.

(3) The post provided for the mounting of the sign shown in diagram 605.2 shall be coloured in alternate black and yellow bands each 300 millimetres deep with a black band uppermost below the bottom of the sign face, and the yellow bands may be illuminated by means of retroreflecting material.

(4) A post or other support provided for the mounting of a sign shown in diagram 651, 970, 971, 972, 973, 973.1, 2610, 2610.1, 2610.2, 7104 or 7105 may be of any colour.

**37.**—(1) The back of any sign shown in a diagram in Schedules 1 to 5, 7, Part II of Schedule 10 or in Schedule 12, or prescribed in regulation 41, other than a sign shown in diagram 651, 970, 971, 972, 973, 973.1, 2610, 2610.1, 2610.2, 7101, 7102, 7103, 7104 or 7105, and the back of any backing board or other fitting provided for the assembly of such a sign including any container enclosing apparatus for the illumination of that sign, shall be coloured—

(a) black if the sign is mounted on the same post as that on which light signals prescribed in regulation 30(2) (or those signals as varied by regulation 31) or light signals prescribed in regulation 30(3) and regulation 32 are mounted; or

(b) grey, black or in a non-reflective metallic finish in any other case, except that—

(i) information about sites for placing and the ownership of the sign may be indicated on the back of the sign in characters not exceeding 15 millimetres in height; and

(ii) information about the manufacture of the sign required in order to comply with British Standard Specification BS 873 or an equivalent specification of a European Economic Area State, occupying an area not exceeding 30 square centimetres, may be indicated on the back of the sign in characters not exceeding 5 millimetres in height.

(2) The back of a sign shown in diagram 7104 or 7105 shall be coloured grey, red, white, black or yellow, except that—

(a) information about sites for placing and the ownership of the sign may be indicated on the back of the sign in characters not exceeding 15 millimetres in height; and

(b) information about the manufacture of the sign required in order to comply with British Standard Specification BS 873 or an equivalent specification of a European Economic Area State, occupying an area not exceeding 30 square centimetres, may be indicated on the back of the sign in characters not exceeding 5 millimetres in height.

(3) The back of a sign shown in diagram 651, 970, 971, 972, 973, 973.1, 2610, 2610.1 or 2610.2 may be of any colour.

(4) The front of any backing board for a sign mounted otherwise than as described in paragraph (1) (a) shall be coloured either grey or yellow.

(5) Any sign shown in a diagram in Schedules 1 to 5, 7, Part II of Schedule 10, or Schedule 12 which has a red or black border may have a white edge added not less than 10 nor more than 20 millimetres wide, outside that border.

(6) In this direction “backing board” in relation to a sign includes any background against which the sign is displayed.

### **Mounting of the sign shown in diagram 781**

**38.** The sign shown in diagram 781 shall be mounted on two posts and so much of each post as extends above ground level shall be coloured black and white in alternate horizontal bands, each band being not less than 250 nor more than 335 millimetres deep.

### **Mounting of the signs shown in diagrams 560 and 561**

**39.**—(1) A sign shown in diagram 560 or 561 shall be so placed that the top of the sign is not less than 550 nor more than 1000 millimetres above the surface of the adjacent carriageway.

(2) Where a sign shown in diagram 560 or 561 is mounted on a post specially provided for the purpose that part of the post which extends above ground level shall be coloured black and white in alternate horizontal bands, each band being not less than 225 nor more than 350 millimetres deep.

(3) The signs shown in diagrams 560 and 561 shall be so erected as to display—

- (a) the colour red on the left hand edge of the carriageway as viewed by the drivers of approaching vehicles; and
- (b) the colour white on the right hand edge of the carriageway when so viewed, unless the edge is the edge of the carriageway of a dual carriageway road when the colour amber shall be displayed.

### **Mounting of refuge indicator lamps**

**40.**—(1) Save as provided in paragraph (2), where the lamp prescribed in regulation 45 is mounted on a post specially provided for the purpose—

(a) if the post is placed on a street refuge or central reservation of a zebra crossing and yellow globes are attached to or mounted on the post—

- (i) the part of the post between ground level and the point where the yellow globes are mounted or attached shall be coloured black and white in alternate horizontal bands, the lowest band visible to approaching traffic being coloured black and not less than 275 millimetres nor more than 1 metre deep, and each other band being not less than 275 nor more than 335 millimetres deep; and
- (ii) beyond the point referred to in sub-paragraph (a)(i) any remaining part of the post shall be coloured in accordance with sub-paragraph (b); and

(b) if the post—

- (i) is a post placed as mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) but yellow globes are not attached to or mounted on it; or
- (ii) is placed elsewhere than on a zebra crossing,

the post shall be coloured grey or black but with two white bands (each band being not less than 275 nor more than 335 millimetres deep) so arranged that—

- (i) at least 275 nor more than 335 millimetres extend between the nearest edges of the two bands; and
- (ii) the upper edge of the uppermost band is not less than 275 nor more than 335 millimetres below the lowest part of the lamp,

and the white bands may be internally illuminated.

(2) Where a post of the kind mentioned in paragraph (1) consists of aluminium, concrete or galvanised metal it may remain in its natural colour.

(3) In this paragraph “zebra crossing” has the same meaning as in the 1971 Regulations and “yellow globes” means globes in relation to which Part II of Schedule 2 to the 1971 Regulations is complied with.

### **Mounting and backing of light signals, matrix signs and warning lights**

**41.**—(1) Light signals such as are prescribed in regulations 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 and 38, the matrix signals prescribed in regulation 36 and the warning lights prescribed in regulations 39(2)

and 40 may be placed on or near a road only if they are so placed that they face the stream of traffic to which they are intended to convey the warnings, information, requirements, restrictions or prohibitions prescribed by the Regulations.

(2) The containers enclosing the lamps of each of the types of light signals, matrix signs or warning lights mentioned in paragraph (1) shall be coloured black except that, if those containers enclose lamps of the light signals prescribed in paragraph (5) or (7) of regulation 30, or in regulation 34 or 35, the matrix signs prescribed in regulation 36 or the warning lights prescribed in regulation 39(2) and 40, they may be coloured grey instead of black.

(3) Any of the kinds of light signals mentioned in paragraph (1) other than the signals prescribed in regulation 30(7) may be mounted on a backing board, which shall be coloured black and may have a white border not less than 45 nor more than 55 millimetres wide.

(4) In the case of the light signals prescribed in of regulation 30(7) the back of the backing board shown in diagram 3014 may be coloured black or grey.

(5) In the case of the matrix signs prescribed in regulation 36, an identification number may be shown on the front of the backing board below the signal in the manner shown in diagram 6022.

(6) Without prejudice to paragraph (7), where light signals prescribed in any of the regulations specified in paragraph (1) or shown in a diagram in Part I of Schedule 10 or in Schedule 11 are mounted on a post specially provided for the purpose, that part of the post which extends above ground level shall be coloured grey or black and may have one yellow or white band not less than 140 nor more than 160 millimetres deep, the lower edge of the band being not less than 1500 nor more than 1700 millimetres above ground level.

(7) The light signals, matrix signs or warning lights prescribed in regulation 32, instead of being mounted on a post coloured in accordance with paragraph (6), may be mounted on a post coloured yellow (but having no yellow or white band as specified in paragraph (6)) or on a tripod coloured yellow.

#### **Placing of road marking shown in diagram 1001 in conjunction with light signals**

**42.**—(1) The light signals prescribed in paragraph (2), (3) or (7) of regulation 30 may be placed only in conjunction with the road marking shown in diagram 1001, except that this paragraph shall not apply while works which necessitate the temporary removal of that road marking are being executed on a road near the light signals.

(2) Where both primary and secondary signals within the meaning of regulation 33(6) have been erected, the references in paragraph (1) to light signals shall be construed as references to—

- (a) both the primary and the secondary signals;
- (b) the primary signals operating alone; or
- (c) the secondary signals operating alone,

as the case may be.

#### **Placing of road marking shown in diagram 1014 in conjunction with the road marking shown in diagram 1013.1 or 1013.3**

**43.**—(1) At least one road marking of the type shown in diagram 1014 shall be placed in conjunction with a road marking of the type shown in diagram 1013.1 or 1013.3 on the length of carriageway which extends backwards from the commencement of any continuous line marked on the carriageway as a part of the road marking shown in diagram 1013.1 or 1013.3, such commencement being viewed in the direction of travel of a vehicle driven so as to have and keep that continuous line on the right hand or off side thereof in accordance with regulation 26(2)(b).

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(2) If more than one road marking of the type shown in diagram 1014 is placed on a length of carriageway, then the road markings shall be so spaced apart that one follows in line behind the other.

#### **Placing of light signals prescribed in regulation 30(5) and in regulation 35 and signs and light signals shown in Schedule 11**

44. The light signals prescribed in regulation 30(5) and regulation 35 and the signs and light signals shown in any diagram in Schedule 11 may be displayed only on or near—

- (a) a motorway; or
- (b) a dual carriageway road.

45. The light signals prescribed in regulation 30(5) shall not be displayed over or in relation to a traffic lane at the same time as any sign shown in diagram 6001, 6002, 6003, 6006, 6006.1, 6008, 6009, 6009.1, 6009.2, 6011 or 6012 is also being displayed over or in relation to that same traffic lane and at the same place on that lane.

46. A sign shown in diagram 6021 or 6031.1 may be displayed only over a traffic lane and a sign shown in diagram 6006, 6006.1, 6006.2, 6008, 6008.1, 6009, 6009.1, 6009.2, 6009.3, 6022 or 6032.1 may be displayed only at the side of the carriageway to which the indications given by the sign relate, or projecting over part of that carriageway, so as to communicate information to drivers in all traffic lanes.

#### **Placing of light signals prescribed in regulation 32**

47. Portable light signals may be placed for the control of vehicular traffic only at a site approved by the traffic authority except—

- (a) where the signals are being operated and maintained by and are under the regular supervision of a constable during the progress of a temporary scheme of traffic control;
- (b) on a length of road along which—
  - (i) there is no junction carrying vehicular traffic to or from it; and
  - (ii) the width of the carriageway is temporarily restricted so as to carry only one line of traffic;
- (c) at a level crossing when work in relation to that crossing is being carried out; or
- (d) on a road adjacent to the temporary site of road, building or engineering works used for the movement of vehicles, materials, plant or equipment within the site of the works.

#### **Placing of various light signals**

48.—(1) The light signals shown in diagram 4004 may be placed only in conjunction with the sign shown in diagram 545 when placed in conjunction with the plate shown in diagram 546 or 547.1.

(2) The light signals shown in diagram 4005 may be placed on or near a road only when the sign shown in diagram 548 in conjunction with the plate shown in diagram 548.1 is placed in advance of those signals.

(3) The light signals shown in diagram 4006 may be placed only in conjunction with the light signals shown in diagram 3014.

(4) The sign shown in diagram 4003 may be placed only in conjunction with the light signals shown in diagram 4002 for the purpose of conveying to pedestrians the indications specified in diagram 4003.

(5) The light signals shown in diagram 4002 may be placed only in conjunction with the light signals prescribed in paragraphs (2) or (3) of regulation 30.

(6) The light signal shown in diagram 776 may be placed only at or near a level crossing and the legend shall be displayed to road traffic in black letters on a red background which is internally illuminated by means of electricity only when a railway vehicle or tramcar has just passed over the level crossing and another is approaching.

### Approval of signs and signals

**49.**—(1) Save as provided in this direction, the light signals prescribed in regulations 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 and 38, the matrix signs prescribed in regulation 36, the warning lights prescribed in regulations 39(2) and 40, the audible and tactile signals prescribed in regulation 37, a sign shown in diagram 618.3A, 776 or 2509, any light signals or signs shown in a diagram in Schedule 11, variable message signs and any other signs not continuously in use over a period of 24 hours and which are capable of being brought into and taken out of use by the operation of any electrical or other apparatus may be placed on or near a road only if at the time that they are first placed—

- (a) the signal, sign or any apparatus (including the content of all instructions stored in, or executable by it) used in connection with the signal or sign is approved in writing in accordance with the relevant requirements laid down by the Secretary of State; and
- (b) in the case of signals prescribed in regulation 30(7) or regulation 38 the signals are to be erected at or near a level crossing, and the site for, and the number and disposition of, those signals has first been approved in writing by or on behalf of the Secretary of State.

(2) Paragraph (1)(b) shall not apply to signals displayed to indicate the effect of Orders made by the Secretary of State under—

- (a) section 66 of the British Transport Commission Act 1957<sup>(6)</sup>;
- (b) section 124 of the Transport Act 1968<sup>(7)</sup>; or
- (c) section 1 of the Level Crossings Act 1983<sup>(8)</sup>.

(3) If, after a signal or sign has been placed in accordance with an approval under paragraph (1), the signal, sign or any apparatus used in connection with the signal or sign is altered, the signal or sign shall not be further used unless that alteration is approved in writing by or on behalf of the Secretary of State.

(4) Paragraphs (1) and (3) shall not apply to variable message signs which are only manually operated without any assistance by electrical or mechanical means.

(5) When any signal or sign has been placed in accordance with an approval under paragraph (1), the signal, the sign or any apparatus used in connection with the signal or sign, including any alterations approved in accordance with paragraph (3), shall be regarded as continuing to be approved until notice is given in writing by the Secretary of State—

- (a) to the traffic authority; and
- (b) either—
  - (i) to the supplier of the equipment; or
  - (ii) where an alteration has been approved in accordance with paragraph (3), to the person who carried out the alteration,

of a date after which the signal, sign or apparatus is no longer to be so regarded.

(6) Where notice is given under paragraph (5) that a signal, sign or any apparatus used in connection with the signal or sign shall no longer be regarded as being approved that signal, sign or apparatus shall be removed from the road on or before the date given in the notice.

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<sup>(6)</sup> 5 & 6 Eliz. 2 c.xxxiii.

<sup>(7)</sup> 1968 c. 73.

<sup>(8)</sup> 1983 c. 16.

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### **Approval of studs**

**50.**—(1) Studs incorporating reflectors, retroreflecting material or a steady or intermittent light source may be placed on a road only if such studs are approved in writing in accordance with requirements laid down by the Secretary of State.

(2) When any stud has been placed in accordance with an approval under paragraph (1), the stud shall be regarded as continuing to be approved until notice is given in writing by the Secretary of State to the supplier and to the traffic authority of a date after which the stud is no longer to be so regarded.

(3) Where notice is given under paragraph (2) that a stud is no longer to be regarded as being approved that stud shall be removed from the road on or before the date given in the notice.

### **Special directions by the Secretary of State**

**51.** Nothing in these Directions shall be taken to limit the power of the Secretary of State acting as the appropriate Minister by any special direction to dispense with, add to or modify any of the requirements of these Directions in their application to any particular case.



## APPENDIX 1

### EXERCISE OF POWERS

1. The Regulations in Part I of this Instrument are made by the Secretary of State for Transport, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales—

- (a) acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984<sup>(9)</sup> and section 36(5) of the Road Traffic Act 1988<sup>(10)</sup>; and
- (b) acting severally, in relation to England, to Scotland and to Wales respectively, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 28 of the said Act of 1984 and of all other enabling powers.

2. The Directions in Part II of this Instrument are given by the said Secretaries of State acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 65 and 85(2) of the said Act of 1984.

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(9) 1984 c. 27. Section 64(5) was amended by the Road Traffic (Consequential Provisions) Act 1988, Schedule 3; section 65(1) was substituted by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, Schedule 8, paragraph 28; section 65(1A) was inserted by the Road Traffic Act 1991, Schedule 4, paragraph 29; and section 85(2) was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, Schedule 8, paragraph 62. For the meaning of “the Ministers”, in section 64(1)(a) and section 65(1), and of “prescribed”, see section 142(1).

(10) 1988 c. 52.

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## APPENDIX 2

### INSTRUMENTS REVOKED

Regulation 2 and Direction 2

- Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1969**(11)**
- Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations and General Directions 1977**(12)**
- \*Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1981**(13)**
- \*Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations 1982**(14)**
- \*Traffic Signs General (Amendment) Directions 1982**(15)**
- \*Traffic Signs General (Amendment) Directions 1983**(16)**
- \*Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations 1983**(17)**
- \*Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations and General Directions 1984**(18)**
- Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations 1986**(19)**
- Traffic Signs General (Amendment) Directions 1987**(20)**
- Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations and General Directions 1989**(21)**
- Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations and General Directions 1990**(22)**

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**(11)** S.I. 1969/1487.  
**(12)** S.I. 1977/952.  
**(13)** S.I. 1981/859.  
**(14)** S.I. 1982/1879.  
**(15)** S.I. 1982/1880.  
**(16)** S.I. 1983/1086.  
**(17)** S.I. 1983/1088.  
**(18)** S.I. 1984/966.  
**(19)** S.I. 1986/1859.  
**(20)** S.I. 1987/1706.  
**(21)** S.I. 1989/2139.  
**(22)** S.I. 1990/704.