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The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002

PART I

THE TRAFFIC SIGNS REGULATIONS 2002

SECTION 1

PRELIMINARY

Savings

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), any traffic sign which immediately before the coming into force of these Regulations was placed on or near a road shall be treated as prescribed by these Regulations, notwithstanding any provisions of these Regulations to the contrary, provided that—

- (a) it is a sign prescribed, or to be treated as if prescribed, by the 1981 Regulations or by the 1994 Regulations; and
- (b) it continues to comply with those Regulations,

as if those Regulations had not been revoked.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall cease to have effect—

- (a) on 1st January 2005 in relation to the signs shown in each of the following diagrams—
 - (i) in the Traffic Signs Regulations 1957(1), diagrams 403 to 405, 412A to 418, 422 to 433, 435 to 459, 468 to 472, and 474 to 495;
 - (ii) in the Traffic Signs Regulations 1964(2), diagrams 742, 746, 837 and 838;
 - (iii) in the 1981 Regulations, diagrams 626.1, 627, 628.1, 641, 642.1, 649.2, 653, 734.7, 739.3, 742.1, 742.2, 742.3, 742.4, 742.5, 742.6, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 752.1, 753, 753.1, 758, 759, 837.1, 838.1 and 905;
 - (iv) in the 1994 Regulations, diagrams 618.1 (when varied to include the legend “buses and coaches”), 784, 818.1 (when varied to show a distance greater than 2 miles), 820 (when varied to include the legend “buses and coaches”), 954.1 and 1028.2 (when varied to “COACHES”); and
 - (v) in the 1994 Regulations, diagrams 958, 959 and 960, in each case when varied to include the legend “& coaches”;
- (b) on 1st January 2007 in relation to the signs shown in diagrams 622.1A (when varied to show “17T”), 626.2 (when displaying “17T” or “25T”), 1025 and 1025.2 in the 1994 Regulations;
- (c) on 1st January 2010 in relation to—
 - (i) the signals prescribed by regulation 31(3) of the 1981 Regulations;

(1) S.I. 1957/13, amended by S.I. 1957/2149, 1959/761, 1960/1095.

(2) S.I. 1964/1857, amended by S.I. 1966/490, 1969/1269, 1970/468, 1970/1972, 1971/2095.

- (ii) the sign shown in diagram 661 in the 1994 Regulations; and
 - (iii) the signs shown in diagrams 618.1, 618.2, 618.3, 618.3A and 620 in the 1994 Regulations when varied to include the orange badge symbol shown in diagram 661 in those Regulations;
- (d) on 1st January 2015 in relation to—
- (i) the signs shown in diagrams 728.1, 728.2, 729, 729.1, 729.2, 729.3, 730, 730.1, 732, 732.1, 732.2, 733, 733.1, 734.1, 734.2, 734.3, 734.4, 734.5, 734.6, 734.8, 734.9, 734.10, 736, 736.1, 737.1, 760 and 761 in the 1981 Regulations; and
 - (ii) the signs shown in diagrams 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2315.1 and 2919 of the 1994 Regulations.
- (3) Subject to paragraph (4), portable light signals which do not comply with regulation 35 shall be treated as prescribed by these Regulations if and so long as—
- (a) those signals are of the size, colour and type prescribed by regulation 32 of the 1994 Regulations; and
 - (b) those signals and any apparatus (including the content of all instructions stored in, or executable by them) used in connection with them are the subject of an approval given and for the time being in force under direction 49 of the Traffic Signs General Directions 1994(3).
- (4) Paragraph (3) shall cease to have effect on 1st January 2015.
- (5) Notwithstanding regulation 2, the 1994 Regulations shall be treated, in relation to a paragraph (6) sign, as remaining in force during the extension period.
- (6) In paragraph (5)—
- (a) “the extension period” means the period of 12 weeks beginning with the day on which these Regulations come into force; and
 - (b) “a paragraph (6) sign” is a sign which is of the size, colour and type shown in diagram 547.5, 547.6, 626.2, 629, 639.1A, 642.2, 643, 644, 661, 661.2, 661.3, 780, 780.1, 780.2, 784, 785, 832.10, 864, 872, 2010, 2206, 2207, 2308, 2309, 2919, 2920, 3001, 3001.1, 4002, 7002, 7003, 7007 or 7010 of the 1994 Regulations.