
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 426

The Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994

PART III

MANAGEMENT OF AIRPORTS

Airport byelaws

18.—(1) This Article applies to—

- (a) any airport managed by a district council under Article 17; and
- (b) any other airport designated for the purposes of this Article by an order made by the Department.

(2) The airport operator of an airport to which this Article applies may make byelaws for regulating the use and operation of the airport and the conduct of persons while within the airport.

(3) Any such byelaws may, in particular, include byelaws—

- (a) for securing the safety of aircraft, vehicles and persons using the airport and preventing danger to the public arising from the use and operation of the airport;
- (b) for controlling the operation of aircraft within, or directly above, the airport for the purpose of limiting or mitigating the effect of noise, vibration and atmospheric pollution caused by aircraft using the airport;
- (c) for preventing obstruction within the airport;
- (d) for regulating vehicular traffic anywhere within the airport, except on roads within the airport to which the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981^{F1} applies, and in particular (with that exception) for imposing speed limits on vehicles within the airport and for restricting or regulating the parking of vehicles or their use for any purpose or in any manner specified in the byelaws;
- (e) for prohibiting waiting by vehicles plying for hire except at standings appointed by such person as may be specified in the byelaws;
- (f) for prohibiting or restricting access to any part of the airport;
- (g) for preserving order within the airport and preventing damage to property within it;
- (h) for regulating or restricting advertising within the airport;
- (i) for requiring any person, if so requested by a constable or airport official, to leave the airport or any particular part of it, or to state his name and address and the purpose of his being within the airport;
- (j) for securing the safe custody and redelivery of any property which, while not in proper custody, is found within the airport or in an aircraft within the airport, and in particular—
 - (i) for requiring charges to be paid in respect of any such property before it is redelivered; and

Changes to legislation: *The Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, Section 18 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 December 2022. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes*

- (ii) for authorising the disposal of any such property if it is not redelivered before the end of such period as may be specified in the byelaws;
 - (k) for defining the area which is to be taken as constituting the airport for the purposes of the byelaws.
- (4) In sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (3) “airport official” means a person authorised by the airport operator; and any such official shall not exercise any power under a byelaw made by virtue of that sub-paragraph without producing written evidence of his authority if required to do so.
- (5) Part VI of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972^{F2} shall have effect in relation to byelaws made by a district council under this Article.
- (6) Schedule 4 shall have effect in relation to byelaws made by any other airport operator under this Article.

F1	1981 NI 1
F2	1972 c.9 (NI)

Changes to legislation:

The Airports (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, Section 18 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 December 2022. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

[View outstanding changes](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Instrument am. (prosp.) by [1998 c. 41 s.74\(1\)Sch.12 para.20\(1\)](#)
- Instrument rev. in pt. by [1998 c. 41 s.74\(3\)Sch.14 Pt. II](#)