

1982 No. 389

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982

Made 25th November 1982

Coming into operation 17th January 1983

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 27 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982 and shall come into operation on 17th January 1983.

Savings

2. Any traffic sign, which immediately before the coming into operation of these regulations being a sign shown in any of the diagrams 556.1, 556.2, 564.2, 564.3, 564.4, 622.1, 626, 628 or 649 in Schedule 1 to the Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(b) shall have effect as if prescribed by these regulations until 31st December 1985.

Amendment

3. The Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 shall be amended by—

(1) inserting in regulation 4(1):—

(a) immediately before the definition of “Department” the following definition:—

““controlled parking zone” means an area in which all roads have been marked, except where parking places have been designated, with one or more of the road markings shown in diagrams 1016.1 to 1021, the entrances for vehicular traffic into the area being indicated by a sign shown in diagram 680;”;

(b) immediately after the definition of “school crossing patrol” the following definition:—

““temporary statutory provision” means a provision having effect under Articles 24 (power temporarily to control use of roads by traffic) 25 (power to control use by traffic of roads affected by roadworks) or 125 (emergency traffic signs placed on roads by police) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981;”;

(2) inserting in regulation 6(1)(b)(i) after the figures “1002” the words “or the transverse line shown in diagram 1002.1”;

(3) inserting after regulation 11 the following regulation:

“*Association of signs with road markings*

11A.—(1) A plate of the type shown in diagrams 637, 639, 640 or 641 may be placed on or near the side of a road only if there is placed in conjunction with that plate and on the same side of the road a road marking shown in diagrams 1016.1,

(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)

(b) S.R. 1979 No. 386

1017 or 1018 except where any such plate is so placed for the purposes of a temporary statutory provision.

(2) A plate of the type shown in diagrams 638 or 640 may be placed on or near the side of a road only if there is placed in conjunction with that plate and on the same side of the road a road marking shown in diagrams 1019, 1020 or 1021 except where any such plate is so placed for the purpose of a temporary statutory provision.

(3) A road marking shown in diagrams 1016.1, 1017 or 1018 shall not be used except in conjunction with at least one plate of the type shown in diagrams 637, 639, 640 or 641 which plate shall be placed on the same side of the road as that on which is placed that marking except that this paragraph shall not apply where any such marking is placed within a controlled parking zone or where the road marking in diagram 1018 is used to indicate a prohibition of waiting in a public road within 15 metres of its junction with any other road.

(4) A road marking shown in diagrams 1019, 1020 or 1021 shall not be used except in conjunction with at least one plate of the type shown in diagrams 638 or 640 which plate shall be placed on the same side of the road as that on which is placed that marking and such a marking shall be placed on the footway as near as practicable to the edge of the carriageway or, if there is no footway, on the carriageway as near as is practicable to its edge except that nothing in this paragraph shall require the provision of a plate in conjunction with any such marking if the marking is placed within a controlled parking zone."

(4) Inserting after diagram 537.3 in Schedule 1 Part I the following diagram and the words specified in or under it:—

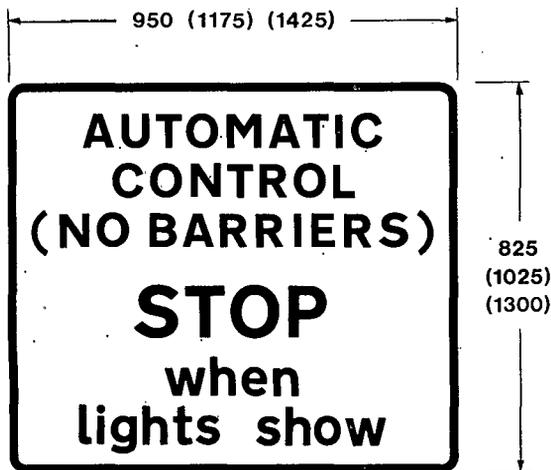
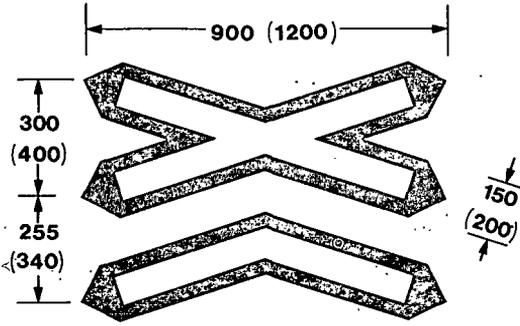
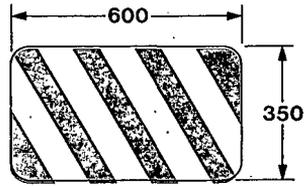


Plate for use with sign in diagram 538 at or near a level crossing where signals prescribed by Regulation 13(4) are installed
537.4

(5) Inserting after diagram 542 in Schedule 1 Part I the following diagrams and the words specified in or under them:—

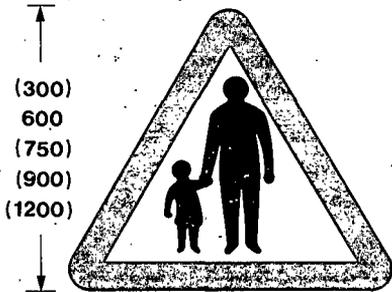


Location of level crossing without gate or barrier over more than one line of railway
542.1



Indication of left hand or nearside limit of a railway level crossing without gate or barrier
Permitted variant: The slope of the bar may be reversed when indicating the right hand or offside limit of a railway level crossing without gate or barrier
542.2

(6) Inserting after diagram 544 in Schedule 1 Part I the following diagrams and the words specified in or under them:—



Pedestrians in road ahead
544.1



Elderly or handicapped pedestrians
544.2

(7) Inserting in place of diagrams 556.1 and 556.2 in Schedule 1 Part I the following diagrams and the words specified in or under them:—

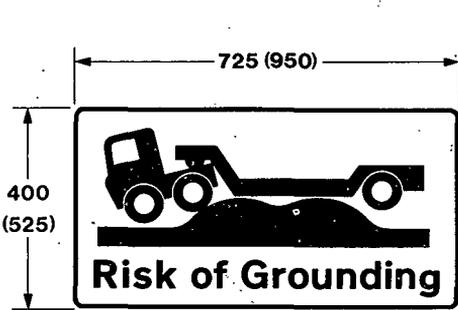


Plate for use with sign in diagram 556 at or near a railway level crossing or with sign in diagram 528 at or near a hump bridge
556.1

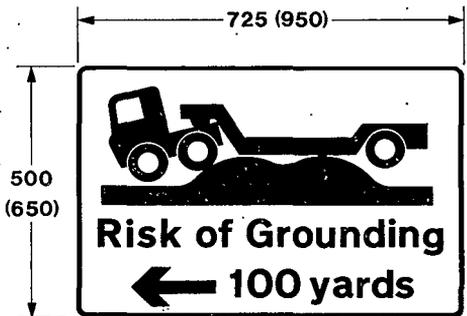


Plate for use with sign in diagram 556 near a railway level crossing or with sign in diagram 528 near a hump bridge
556.2

(8) Deleting diagrams 564.2, 564.3 and 564.4 in Schedule 1 Part II.

(9) Inserting in place of diagram 622.1 in Schedule 1 Part II the following diagram and the words specified in or under it:—

←(450) 600 (750) (900)→



Goods vehicles exceeding the maximum gross weight indicated on the goods vehicle symbol prohibited
Permitted variant: The weight may be varied to "16.5T"
(16.5 tonnes)
622.1

(10) Inserting in place of diagram 626 in Schedule 1 Part II the following diagram and the words specified in or under it:—

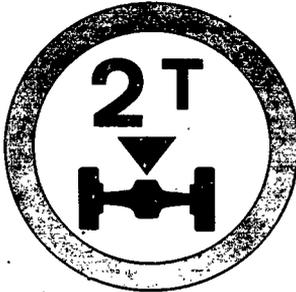
←(450) 600 (750) (900)→



Vehicles or vehicles and load exceeding the weight indicated in tonnes prohibited
626

(11) Inserting in place of diagram 628 in Schedule I Part II the following diagram and the words specified in or under it:—

←(450) 600 (750) (900)→



Vehicles or vehicles and load exceeding the weight indicated in tonnes on any one axle prohibited
628

(12) Inserting after diagram 647 in Schedule 1 Part II the following diagram and the words specified in or under it:—



Plate showing a continuous prohibition on stopping on the footway adjacent to a clearway. For use with signs in diagrams 642 and 646.

Permitted variants: hard shoulder, verge central reservation or cycle track may be substituted for footway

648

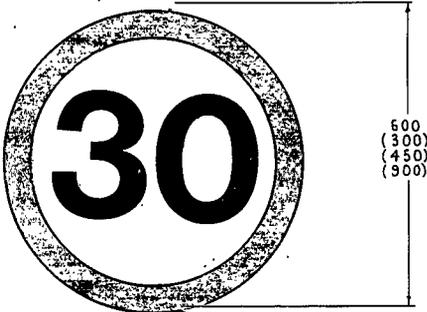
(13) Inserting in place of diagram 649 in Schedule 1 Part II the following diagram and the following words specified in or under it:—



To indicate to vehicular traffic the requirements prescribed by Regulation 6(2)

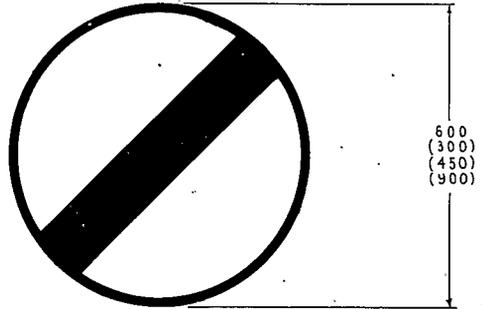
649

(14) Inserting after diagram 655 in Schedule 1 Part II the following diagrams and the words specified in or under them:—



Maximum speed limit on a road being the number of miles per hour shown by the numerals.

Permitted variant: the numerals may be changed
670



End of maximum speed limit indicated by diagram 670
671

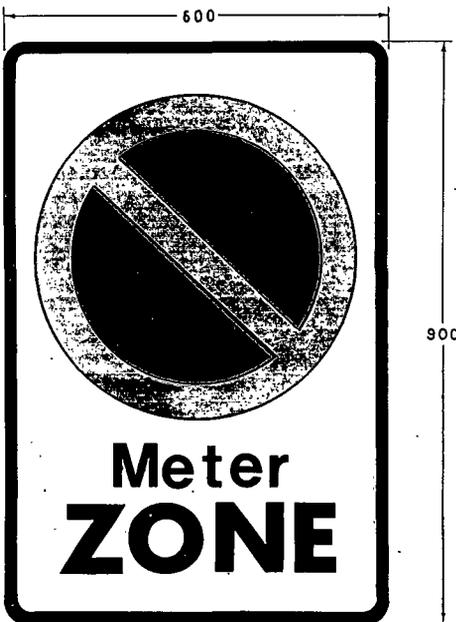
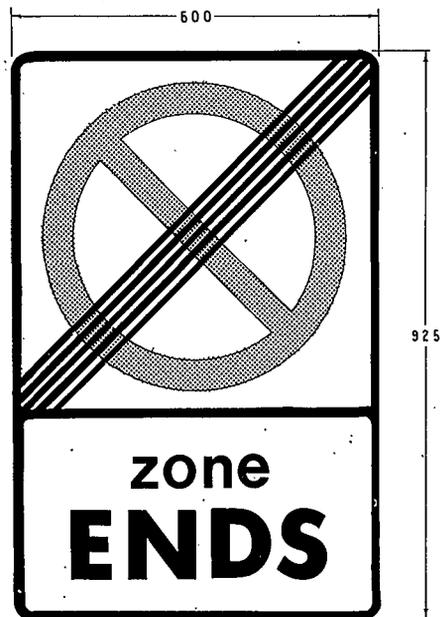


Plate showing the entrance to a controlled parking zone and a prohibition or restriction of waiting on roads inside the zone where a road marking shown in diagram 1016.1, 1017 or 1018 is laid
Permitted variants: "controlled parking", "disc" or "ticket" may be substituted for "meter". "Disc and" or "Ticket and" may be inserted before "meter"

680



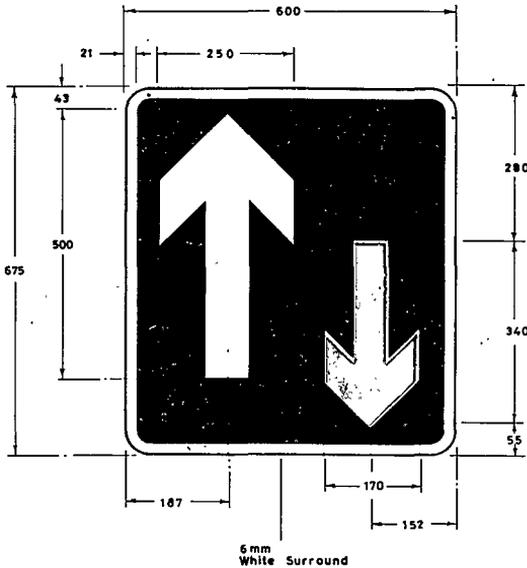
Exit from controlled parking zone
681



Plate for use with sign in diagram 680. Permitted variant: Days and times may be changed.

682

(15) Inserting after Part II of Schedule 1 the heading "Part 11a Informatory Signs" and the following diagrams and the words specified in or under them:—

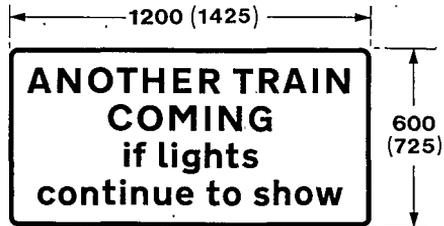


Priority over vehicles from the opposite direction
811

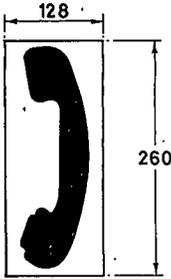


An electrically operated sign which, when illuminated so that the black letters of the legend appear against a red flashing background, indicates to road users the likely passage of another train over the level crossing.

828.1



Indication to users of an automatic railway level crossing where there is more than one line of railway
828.2

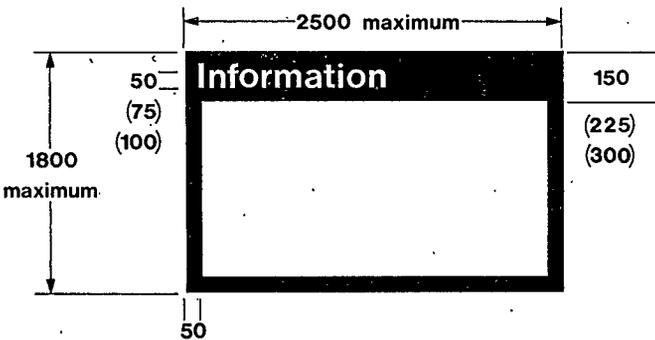


Emergency telephone
or a telephone
at or near a
level crossing
854



Direction to an emergency
telephone or to a telephone
at or near a level crossing
855

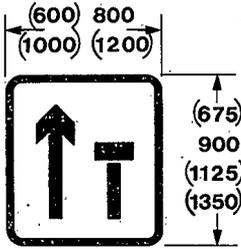
To indicate where large or slow
vehicles should wait near an
automatic railway level crossing
within the meaning of Regulation
6(2) before the driver complies with
Regulation 6(2)(b)
856



Information board to indicate to pedestrians useful information
about facilities in a nearby place. White area to be filled with map
and/or any legend not exceeding 25 mm in letter height in any
colours

Permitted variants: "Tourist information" may be substituted for
"Information"

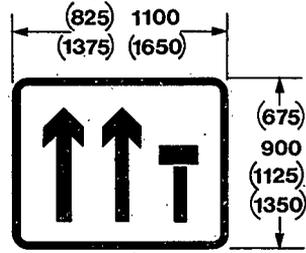
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Right hand lane of a two lane carriageway of a dual carriageway road closed to traffic ahead.

Permitted variants: The symbols may be reversed to indicate left hand lane is closed to traffic ahead. The following colour combination may be substituted for the colours shown; a blue background with a white border and white symbols except for the horizontal bar line which shall remain red.

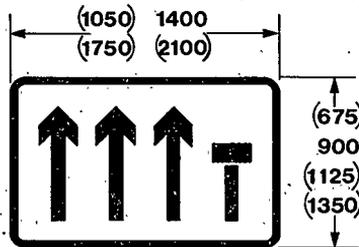
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Right hand lane of a three lane carriageway closed to traffic ahead

Permitted variants: The symbols may be varied to indicate which lane is or lanes are closed to traffic, provided that the centre lane is not shown as closed and the other lanes are shown as open unless the right hand arrow is reversed to indicate two-way traffic. The following colour combination may be substituted for the colours shown; a blue background with a white border and white symbols except for the horizontal bar line which shall remain red.

858.1



Right hand lane of a four lane carriageway closed to traffic ahead

Permitted variants: The symbols may be varied to indicate which lane is or lanes are closed to traffic, provided that if either one of the two centre lanes is shown as closed then the outside lane adjacent to it shall also be shown as closed and if both centre lanes are so shown, then either one of the two outside lanes shall also be so shown unless one of the arrows representing a lane not so shown is reversed to indicate two-way traffic. The following colour combination may be substituted for the colours shown; a blue background with a white border and white symbols except for the horizontal bar line which shall remain red.

858.2

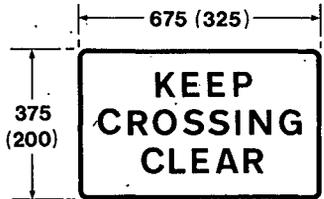


To indicate a requirement to use telephone apparatus at a railway level crossing ahead.

Permitted variant: "LONG LOW" may be substituted for "LARGE OR SLOW"
861



Permitted variants: The appropriate telephone number (and exchange name where necessary) shall be substituted for "0232-1234" and "RLY" may be substituted for "NIR" in the legend
862



To indicate to vehicular traffic not to stop in such a manner that a vehicle or any part of a vehicle is at rest within the area of a railway level crossing
863

(16) Inserting after diagram 1002 in Schedule 1 Part III the following diagram and the words specified under it:—



Transverse line to indicate the position beyond which vehicular traffic must not proceed when required to stop by the sign shown in diagram 601.1.

1002.1

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 25th November 1982.

(L.S.)

T. J. McCormick

Under Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 by:—

- (1) making it a requirement that waiting and loading restrictions or prohibitions shall be indicated by plates and road markings used in conjunction with each other;
- (2) specifying a number of additional signs and their meanings.