
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 615

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Temporary Speed Limit (Belfast)
(No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Made - - - - 30th December 1996

Coming into operation 9th February 1997

WHEREAS the Department of the Environment is satisfied that it is desirable in the interests of safety to restrict the speed of motor vehicles on the lengths of road specified in Article 2 and the Schedule;

AND WHEREAS the Department has published notice of its intention in compliance with Article 51(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(1);

NOW THEREFORE the Department, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 51(1) and 211A of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(2) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Temporary Speed Limit (Belfast) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 9th February 1997.

(2) In this Order—

“Motorway M3” means the cross harbour link road extending approximately 1,920 metres from its junction with the Motorway M2 in a generally easterly direction to Sydenham By-Pass, Belfast, including an eastbound off-slip road from the cross harbour link road to Middlepath Street; a westbound off-slip road from the cross harbour link road to Nelson Street; an eastbound on-slip road from Nelson Street to the cross harbour link road; and a westbound on-slip road from Middlepath Street to the cross harbour link road.

Application and duration of speed limit

2. The driving of motor vehicles at a speed greater than 50 miles per hour on the westbound carriageway of the Motorway M3, from a point approximately 1,426 metres east of its junction with the Motorway M2, to a point approximately 926 metres east of that junction is prohibited for a period of 4 months from 8th February 1997.

(1) S.I.1981/154 (N.I. 1); see Article 2(2) for the definition of “Department”

(2) Article 211A was inserted by S.I. 1993/3160 (N.I. 15) Art. 132

3. The driving of motor vehicles at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour on the lengths of road specified in the Schedule is prohibited for a period of 4 months from 8th February 1997.

Revocation

4. The Temporary Speed Limit (Sydenham By-Pass, Route A2, Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996(3) is hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 30th December 1996.

J. Carlisle
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE

Article 3

1. The westbound carriageway of the Motorway M3, from its junction with Sydenham By-Pass, Route A2, Belfast, to a point approximately 1,426 metres east of its junction with the Motorway M2.
2. The westbound carriageway of Sydenham By-Pass, Route A2, Belfast, from a point approximately 250 metres east of its junction with Dee Street, to its junction with the Motorway M3.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prohibits in the interests of safety the driving of motor vehicles—

1. at more than 50 miles per hour on the westbound carriageway of the Motorway M3, from a point approximately 1,426 metres east of its junction with the Motorway M2, to a point approximately 926 metres east of that junction

and

2. at more than 30 miles per hour on the westbound carriageway of the Motorway M3, from its junction with Sydenham By-Pass, Route A2, Belfast, to a point approximately 1,426 metres east of its junction with the Motorway M2 and on the westbound carriageway of Sydenham By-Pass, Route A2, Belfast, from a point approximately 250 metres east of its junction with Dee Street, to its junction with the Motorway M3

for a period of 4 months commencing on 8th February 1997.

Any person who acts in contravention of the Order shall be guilty of an offence under the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (£1,000).

Traffic signs indicating the effect of the Order will be erected on the roads in due course.