

2014 No. 161

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Cathedral Quarter,
Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 2014**

Made - - - - - *6th June 2014*

Coming into operation - - - - - *27th June 2014*

The Department for Regional Development(**a**) makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 4(1), (2) and (3) and 15(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**).

The Department has consulted such persons as it considered appropriate in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to that Order.

The Department has published a notice in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of that Schedule.

No written objection or other representation has been received.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Cathedral Quarter, Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 2014 and shall come into operation on 27th June 2014.

(2) In this Order —

“medical practitioner” means a registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983(**d**);

“postal packet” means a letter, parcel, packet or other article transmissible by post as defined in section 125 of the Postal Services Act 2000(**e**);

“universal service provider” has the same meaning as in section 4(3) and (4) of the Postal Services Act 2000.

Restriction of waiting

2. Save as provided in Article 3, a person shall not cause or permit a vehicle to wait at any time on the lengths of road specified in the Schedule.

(a) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(1)
(b) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)
(c) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV
(d) 1983 c. 54
(e) 2000 c. 26

Exceptions

3.—(1) Nothing in Article 2 shall render it unlawful for a person to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on the carriageway of a length of road specified in the Schedule where the person in control of it is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond that person's control or to avoid an accident or for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable—

- (a) a person to board or alight from a vehicle provided that such boarding or alighting does not cause the vehicle to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes;
- (b) the vehicle to be used in an emergency by a medical practitioner, or for fire and rescue, ambulance, police or customs purposes or the purposes of the security forces;
- (c) the vehicle to be used by or on behalf of a universal service provider for the purposes of the delivery to, or collection from, premises situated adjacent to the length of road of postal packets;
- (d) the vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes outside that length of road, to be used—
 - (i) in connection with any building, repair or demolition operations;
 - (ii) in connection with the removal of any obstruction of traffic;
 - (iii) by or on behalf of a district council or a government department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
 - (iv) by or on behalf of a sewerage undertaker or a water undertaker in connection with the discharge of that undertaker's functions;
 - (v) in connection with the discharge of the functions of the holder of a licence granted under Article 10 of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(a) or of a licence granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(b); or
 - (vi) in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984(c).
- (e) goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) a vehicle shall be deemed to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes if any one part of the carriageway is below any part of the vehicle or its load (if any) throughout a period exceeding 2 minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period.

Amendment

4. The On-Street Parking Order (Northern Ireland) 2000(d) shall be amended by the substitution for items nos. 1, 41 and 102 of Chapter 1, Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the same descriptions together with a new map.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Regional Development on 6th June 2014

(L.S.)

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A senior officer of the Department for Regional Development

(a) S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1)
(b) S.I. 1996/275 (N.I. 2)
(c) 1984 c. 12 as amended by 2003 c. 21 Sch. 3 para. 2(2)
(d) S.R. 2000 No. 383 as amended by S.R. 2002 No. 201, S.R. 2002 No. 287, S.R. 2002 No. 398, S.R. 2003 No. 51, S.R. 2003 No. 269, S.R. 2004 No. 11, S.R. 2006 No. 362, S.R. 2007 No. 241, S.R. 2007 No. 456, S.R. 2007 No. 502, S.R. 2008 No. 2, S.R. 2008 No. 369, S.R. 2009 No. 224, S.R. 2011 No. 87, S.R. 2011 No. 88, S.R. 2011 No. 102, S.R. 2011 No. 126, S.R. 2011 No. 132, S.R. 2011 No. 274, S.R. 2012 No. 202, S.R. 2012 No. 288, S.R. 2012 No. 327, S.R. 2012 No. 348, S.R. 2014 No. 7 and S.R. 2014 No. 35

SCHEDULE

Article 2

No Waiting at any Time (Loading and Unloading Permitted)

All in Belfast

1. Academy Street (north-west side) – from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Donegall Street for a distance of 69.8 metres in a north-easterly direction.
2. Academy Street (south-east side) – from a point 57.8 metres north-east of its junction with Donegall Street for a distance of 10.6 metres in a north-easterly direction.
3. Academy Street (south-east side) – from a point 95.3 metres north-east of its junction with Donegall Street for a distance of 6.7 metres in a north-easterly direction.
4. Academy Street (south-east side) – from a point 30.3 metres north-east of its junction with Exchange Street West for a distance of 9.2 metres in a north-easterly direction.
5. Academy Street (south-east side) – from a point 15 metres north-east from its junction with Exchange Street for a distance of 15.2 metres in a north-easterly direction.
6. Exchange Street West (south-west side) – from a point 15 metres from its junction with Academy Street for a distance of 59 metres in a south-easterly direction.
7. Talbot Street (north-west side) – from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Donegall Street for a distance of 95.1 metres in a north-easterly direction.
8. Talbot Street (north-west side) – from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Exchange Street West for a distance of 34.5 metres in a north-easterly direction.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order prohibits vehicles from waiting on the lengths of road specified in the Schedule (Article 2). Vehicles are excepted from the prohibition in certain circumstances (Article 3).

The Order further amends the On-Street Parking Order (Northern Ireland) 2000 as specified in Article 4.

A penalty charge (£90) is payable with respect to a vehicle involved in a contravention of the Order in accordance with the Traffic Management (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 and The Penalty Charges (Prescribed Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006.

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