2018 No. 134

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Road Races (Down Rally) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018

Made - - - - 28th June 2018

Coming into operation - 20th July 2018

The Department for Infrastructure(**a**) in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 3 of the Road Races (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**), and after consulting the Chief Constable, orders and declares as follows.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Road Races (Down Rally) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018 and shall come into operation on 20th July 2018.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"the course" means the roads specified in the Schedules;

"marshal" means a person of at least 18 years of age authorised in writing by the promoter to assist in connection with the proper conduct of the race;

"the promoter" means the Rathfriland Motor Club Limited.

Application

3. Subject to compliance with all the requirements of this Order, the course may be used by the promoter for motor races between the times and on the day specified in Schedules 1 to 3.

Suspension of right of way and notice

- **4.** On the day specified in Schedules 1 to 3 from and until the times specified therein or until the time the race is announced by the promoter as completed, whichever is the earlier, the right of way on the course of all persons, vehicles and other forms of traffic shall be suspended other than to—
 - (a) persons appointed by the promoter as officials or marshals, constables, vehicles engaged in the race, persons in charge of or directly employed in connection with such vehicles and vehicles used by such officials, marshals, or constables;
 - (b) vehicles used to cross the course in an emergency by a medical practitioner or for fire and rescue, ambulance or police purposes; and

⁽a) 2016 c. 5 (N.I.)

⁽b) S.I. 1986/1887 (N.I. 17)

⁽c) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

(c) persons with or without vehicles who reside in the race area crossing the course or proceeding on it for that purpose and persons so proceeding or crossing the course with or without vehicles in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;

provided that such persons and vehicles referred to in (b) and (c) shall cross the course only at such times and places as may be specified by a person appointed by the promoter as the clerk of the course.

- **5.** The promoter shall give notice to the inhabitants of the districts adjoining the course of the temporary suspension of the right of way thereon by—
 - (a) posting, not later than 7 days before the date of the race, placard notices specifying the course, the date on which, and the times during which, the right of way is suspended, in prominent positions in the neighbourhood and in particular near the junction of all other roads within or adjoining the course; and
 - (b) publishing, during each of the 2 weeks preceding the date of the race, advertisements giving information as in paragraph (a) in 2 newspapers circulating in the locality of the course.

Prohibition of traffic

6. It shall not be lawful to cause or permit traffic, either vehicular or pedestrian, to use or remain on that part of any road between the barricades and its junction with the course during the period when the right of way on the course is suspended.

Cordonning off of the course

- 7. The promoter shall—
 - (a) close every road opening off the course by means of a proper and sufficient barricade or barricades placed at least 10 metres from the course;
 - (b) place notice boards on every road at or in the vicinity of the barricades stating that the right of way on the course is temporarily suspended;
 - (c) ensure that the barricades and notice boards referred to in this Article are—
 - (i) in position at least one hour before the start of the race; and
 - (ii) removed within one hour after the end of the race; and
 - (d) take all steps necessary to prohibit spectators and other persons, other than the promoter's officials, marshals and constables, from using the carriageway or sides of the course during the progress of the race.
- 8. The promoter shall not open the course to traffic until the last competitor has finished.

Provision of marshals

- **9.** The promoter shall—
 - (a) before the race consult with the Chief Constable as to the number and positioning of marshals;
 - (b) provide a sufficient number of marshals for the proper conduct of the race;
 - (c) place marshals at the junction of each road, laneway and accommodation road adjoining the course and also at such other positions as shall be requisite in the interests of public safety;
 - (d) provide each marshal with at least an armlet of distinguishing colour which shall be worn by the marshal during the period when the right of way on the course is suspended.

Documents to be produced to the Department

10. Not less than 14 days before the date of the race the promoter shall lodge with the Department 5 copies of the particulars of the promoter's proposed arrangements for the conduct of the race and shall make such further arrangements as the Chief Constable may consider desirable in the interests of public safety.

Insurance and indemnities

- 11.—(1) The promoter shall have secured insurances and indemnities as follows—
 - (a) the promoter is indemnified by a policy of insurance effected with an approved Insurance Company or Lloyd's Underwriters for the sum as specified in paragraph (2)(a), which the promoter, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, any competitor in the race, the Crown or any servants of the Crown or any constable may become legally liable to pay for compensation and litigation expenses in respect of the death of, or bodily injury to, any person, or the loss of, or damage to, lands or property adjoining the course caused by or arising out of the race, provided that such a policy of insurance may exclude any claim made by one competitor against another arising out of accidents occurring during the race: and
 - (b) the promoter shall have so effected as in sub-paragraph (a) a personal accident policy of insurance for such benefits as are specified in paragraph (2)(b) in respect of the death of, or bodily injury to, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, the servants of the Crown, constables and members of voluntary medical services solely in connection with or arising out of the holding of the race.
- (2) The specified sums are—
 - (a) liability of the promoter, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, the Crown or any servants of the Crown or any constable or any competitor in the race, £67,000,000 for any one accident or series of accidents arising out of one occurrence, but unlimited in amount as to the total sum payable; and
 - (b) in respect of death of, or bodily injury to, any of those persons mentioned in paragraph (1)(b) the following benefits—
 - (i) death, £65,000;
 - (ii) total loss by physical severance of two limbs or total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in both eyes or total loss by physical severance of one limb together with the total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in one eye, £65,000;
 - (iii) total loss by physical severance of one limb or total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in one eye, £30,000;
 - (iv) permanent total disablement, £65,000;
 - (v) temporary total disablement necessarily preventing such person from attending to business or occupation or necessarily confining such person to hospital or similar institution or to such person's house or apartment, up to £375 weekly limited to 104 weeks.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 28th June 2018

(L.S.)

G F McKenna A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure

SCHEDULE 1

SPECIAL STAGES 2, 6. & 10 — Lough Erne — ROADS IN THE COUNTY OF DOWN — Saturday 21st July 2018 from 07:15 to 18:00

- 1. Magheradartan Road (Unclassified No. 420) from its junction with Comber Road (Route B178) to its junction with Windmill Road (Unclassified No. 422).
- 2. Windmill Road (Unclassified No. 422) from its junction with Magheradartan Road (Unclassified No. 420) to its junction with The New Road (Unclassified No. 454).
- 3. The New Road (Unclassified No. 454) from its junction with Windmill Road (Unclassified No. 422) to its junction with Glebe Road (Route C307).
- 4. Glebe Road (Route C307) from its junction with The New Road (Unclassified No. 454) to its junction with Carricknadarriff Road (Unclassified No. 198).
- 5. Carricknadarriff Road (Unclassified No. 198) from its junction with Glebe Road (Route C307) to its junction with Ballycrune Road (Unclassified No. 202).
- 6. Ballycrune Road (Unclassified No. 202) from its junction with Carricknadarriff Road (Unclassified No. 198) to its junction with Ballykeel Road (Unclassified No. 297).
- 7. Ballykeel Road (Unclassified No. 297) from its junction with Ballycrune Road (Unclassified No. 202) to its junction with Lougherne Road (Unclassified No. 1201).
- 8. Lougherne Road (Unclassified No. 1201) from its junction with Ballykeel Road (Unclassified No. 297) to its junction with Carricknadarriff Road (Unclassified No. 198).

SCHEDULE 2

SPECIAL STAGES 4 & 8 — DRUMAKNOCKAN — ROADS IN THE COUNTY OF DOWN — Saturday 21st July 2018 from 08:30 to 18:00

- 1. Drumaknockan Road South (Unclassified No. 445) from its junction with Ballynahinch Road (Route B2) to its junction with Drumaknockan Road (Unclassified No. 435).
- 2. Drumaknockan Road (Unclassified No. 435) from its junction with Drumaknockan Road South (Unclassified No. 445) to its junction with Edentrillick Road (Route C327).
- 3. Edentrillick Road (Route C327) from its junction to Drumaknockan Road (Unclassified No. 435) to its junction with Grove Road (Unclassified No. 433).
- 4. Grove Road (Unclassified No. 433) from its junction with Edentrillick Road (Route C327) to its junction with Backnamullagh Road (Unclassified No. 432).
- 5. Backnamullagh Road (Unclassified No. 432) from its junction with Grove Road (Unclassified No. 433) to its junction with Knox Road (Unclassified No. 432).
- 6. Knox Road (Unclassified No. 432) from its junction with Backnamullagh Road (Unclassified No. 432) to its junction with Edentrillick Road (Route C327).
- 7. Edentrillick Road (Route C327) from its junction with Knox Road (Unclassified No. 432) to its junction with Edentrillick Hill (Unclassified No. 437).
- 8. Edentrillick Hill (Unclassified No. 437) from its junction with Edentrillick Road (Route C327) to its junction with Dromara Road (Route C306).

SCHEDULE 3

SPECIAL STAGES 3, 7 & 11 — HAMILTONS FOLLY — ROADS IN THE COUNTY OF DOWN — Saturday 21st July 2018 from 07:30 to 18:30

- 1. Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130) from its junction with Ballymacarn Road (Route C292) to its junction with and across Magherahamlet Road (Route C290) to Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130).
- 2. Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130) from its junction with Magherahamlet Road (Route C290) to its junction with and across Drumkeeragh Road (Route C293) to Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130).
- 3. Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130) from its junction with Drumkeeragh Road (Route C290) to its junction with and across Mountain Road (Unclassified No. 130).
- 4. Mountain Road (Unclassified No. 130) from its junction with Drumgalvin Road (Unclassified No. 130) to its junction with Drumquoile Road (Route C376).
- 5. Drumquoile Road (Route C376) from its junction with Mountain Road (Unclassified No. 130) to its junction with Ballywillwill Road (Unclassified No. 153).
- 6. Ballywillwill Road (Unclassified No. 153) from its junction with Drumquoile Road (Route C376) to its junction with Slievenisky Road (Unclassified No. 152).
- 7. Slievenisky Road (Unclassified No. 152) from its junction with Ballywillwill Road (Unclassified No. 153) to its junction with Clonvaraghan Road (Route C308).
- 8. Clonvaraghan Road (Route C308) from its junction with Slievenisky Road (Unclassified No. 152) to its junction with Slievenanny Road (Unclassified No. 151).
- 9. Slievehanny Road (Unclassified No. 151) from its junction with Clonvaraghan Road (Route C308) to its junction with Wood Road (Route C324).
- 10. Wood Road (Route C324) from its junction with Slievehanny Road (Unclassified No. 151) to its junction with Ribadoo Road (Unclassified No. 4219).
- 11. Backaderry Road (Route C324) from its junction with Ribadoo Road (Unclassified No. 4219) to its junction with Herons Road (Unclassified No. 4221).
- 12. Ribadoo Road (Unclassified No. 4219) from its junction with Wood Road (Route C324) to its junction with Ardglass Road (Unclassified No. 4215).
- 13. Ardglass Road (Unclassified No. 4215) from its junction with Ribadoo Road (Unclassified No. 4219) to its junction with Kilnhill Road (Unclassified No. 4214).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order permits the Rathfriland Motor Club Limited, as promoter of the Down Rally 2018, to use for that event certain roads by suspending the right of way of other traffic on the day and during the times specified in the Schedules.

In effect this Order temporarily closes these roads.

This Order requires the promoter to give public notice of the promoter's intended use of these roads by displaying placard notices in prominent positions in the neighbourhood of the roads and by publishing advertisements in 2 local newspapers. The promoter must also provide marshals, seal off the roads and arrange insurance to cover death, bodily injury or loss or damage to property resulting from the event.

It is an offence for any person—

- (a) to obstruct or interfere wilfully and unlawfully with the conduct of the event;
- (b) to obstruct any constable acting in the course of that constable's duty or any marshal or any other person exercising any function conferred on that person;
- (c) to enter or remain without authority on any road closed for the event;
- (d) to keep any animal or any vehicle without lawful authority on any specified road; or
- (e) to contravene wilfully any provision of a road closing Order or any traffic direction given by the police for the purposes of the event.