



Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 27

PART II

TRAFFIC REGULATION IN SPECIAL CASES

[^{F1}16A Prohibition or restriction on roads in connection with certain events.

- (1) In this section “relevant event” means any sporting event, social event or entertainment which is held on a road.
- (2) If the traffic authority for a road are satisfied that traffic on the road should be restricted or prohibited for the purpose of—
 - (a) facilitating the holding of a relevant event,
 - (b) enabling members of the public to watch a relevant event, or
 - (c) reducing the disruption to traffic likely to be caused by a relevant event,the authority may by order restrict or prohibit temporarily the use of that road, or any part of it, by vehicles or vehicles of any class or by pedestrians, to such extent and subject to such conditions or exceptions as they may consider necessary or expedient.
- (3) Before making an order under this section the authority shall satisfy themselves that it is not reasonably practicable for the event to be held otherwise than on a road.
- (4) An order under this section—
 - (a) may not be made in relation to any race or trial falling within subsection (1) of section 12 of the ^{M1}Road Traffic Act 1988 (motor racing on public ways);
 - (b) may not be made in relation to any competition or trial falling within subsection (1) of section 13 of that Act (regulation of motoring events on public ways) unless the competition or trial is authorised by or under regulations under that section; and
 - (c) may not be made in relation to any race or trial falling within subsection (1) of section 31 of that Act (regulation of cycle racing on public ways) unless the race or trial is authorised by or under regulations made under that section.

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- (5) An order under this section may relate to the road on which the relevant event is to be held or to any other road.
- (6) In the case of a road for which the Secretary of State is the traffic authority, the power to make an order under this section is also exercisable, with his consent, by the local traffic authority or by any local traffic authority which is the traffic authority for any other road to which the order relates.
- (7) In the case of a road for which a local traffic authority is the traffic authority, the power to make an order under this section is also exercisable, with the consent of that local traffic authority, by a local traffic authority which is the traffic authority for any other road to which the order relates.
- (8) When considering the making of an order under this section, an authority shall have regard to the safety and convenience of alternative routes suitable for the traffic which will be affected by the order.
- (9) The provision that may be made by an order under this section is—
- (a) any such provision as is mentioned in section 2(1), (2) or (3) or 4(1) of this Act;
 - (b) any provision restricting the speed of vehicles; or
 - (c) any provision restricting or prohibiting—
 - (i) the riding of horses, or
 - (ii) the leading or driving of horses, cattle, sheep or other animals,
 but no such order shall be made with respect to any road which would have the effect of preventing at any time access for pedestrians to any premises situated on or adjacent to the road, or to any other premises accessible for pedestrians from, and only from, the road.
- (10) An order under this section may—
- (a) suspend any statutory provision to which this subsection applies; or
 - (b) for any of the purposes mentioned in subsection (2) above, suspend any such provision without imposing any such restriction or prohibition as is mentioned in that subsection.
- (11) Subsection (10) above applies to—
- (a) any statutory provision of a description which could have been contained in an order under this section;
 - (b) an order under section 32(1)(b), 35, 45, 46 or 49 of this Act or any such order as is mentioned in paragraph 11(1) of Schedule 10 to this Act; and
 - (c) an order under section 6 of this Act so far as it designates any parking places in Greater London.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 16A inserted (3.5.1994) by S.I. 1994 c. 11, s. 1(1)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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