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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 1316**

**The Severn Bridges Regulations 1996**

**PART II**

**PAYMENT OF TOLLS**

**Place and manner of payment**

5.—(1) Except where paragraph (2) applies, all tolls leviable in respect of a vehicle, shall be paid by the driver of the vehicle, in cash to an appointed person at a toll-booth, or by the insertion of coins into a machine provided near a toll-booth for the purpose of collecting tolls, not being in either case a toll-booth at which a sign is displayed indicating that its use is restricted to either—

- (a) vehicles of a class which does not include the relevant vehicle, or
- (b) vehicles for which the toll leviable has been paid in advance.

(2) Where, pursuant to a pre-payment agreement, the toll leviable for a vehicle has been paid in advance, the driver shall present or display such evidence of payment in such manner and at such place within the toll plaza area as the agreement may provide.

(3) Every driver of a vehicle, proceeding westbound in a toll plaza area, shall stop the vehicle in a position where he can, in accordance with this regulation, pay any toll leviable for the vehicle or present or display evidence of payment of the toll without leaving the vehicle or, if the toll has been paid in advance and the pre-payment agreement so provides, he shall slow down the vehicle sufficiently to enable the evidence of payment to be verified.

(4) When a red light is displayed at a toll-booth, the driver of a vehicle proceeding westbound in a toll plaza area in the traffic lane alongside that toll-booth shall not allow the vehicle to proceed beyond the toll-booth, until a green light is displayed or a constable in uniform or an appointed person allows or directs him to proceed.

**Traffic directions**

6. Where it appears necessary or expedient to an appointed person to regulate traffic in a toll plaza area, for the purpose of securing that vehicles in respect of which tolls are leviable do not use the existing bridge or do not proceed west of the new toll plaza after using the new bridge without the tolls having been paid, he may direct the driver of a vehicle in that area to stop the vehicle or to cause it to proceed forwards or backwards in, or keep to, a particular line or direction and the driver shall comply with the direction.

**Obstruction of appointed persons**

7. No person shall obstruct or otherwise interfere with any action taken by an appointed person under these Regulations for securing that the existing bridge is not used by vehicles or that vehicles having used the new bridge do not proceed west of the new toll plaza area without the tolls leviable for such use being paid.

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**Toll-booth out of use**

8. No person shall, unless instructed to do so by a constable in uniform or an appointed person, drive any vehicle or cause or permit it to be driven into or through the lane alongside any toll-booth which is shown by a barrier or sign to be out of use.

**Notices showing tolls payable**

9. A notice shall be displayed at each toll-booth whilst it is in use specifying each category of vehicle for which tolls are leviable, the amount of the tolls for each category and other provisions in accordance with which tolls are leviable.