

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 9

BLACKWALL AND SILVERTOWN TUNNELS BYELAWS

PART 4

ACCESS AND TRAFFIC

Unauthorised access and loitering

6.—(1) A person must not enter, attempt to enter or remain in any part of the tunnels areas where there is a notice prohibiting or restricting access.

(2) A person must not loiter in the tunnels areas if asked to leave by an authorised person.

(3) A driver of a motor vehicle must not sleep within the tunnels areas.

Traffic regulation

7.—(1) A person (other than an authorised person) must not enter the tunnels on foot.

(2) A person (other than an authorised person) must not use or cause to be used within the tunnels areas a pedal cycle (whether electric or not), tricycle, barrow, cart, buggy, pedicab, rickshaw, vehicle used as a personal transporter, or human or animal drawn means of conveyance except if it is conveyed as the load or part of the load of a motor vehicle.

(3) A person must not take into the tunnels an animal unless the animal is enclosed in a motor vehicle or trailer.

(4) A person must not release an animal from a motor vehicle.

(5) A person must not enter the tunnels in a vehicle which has insufficient fuel or power for the journey to be completed in the tunnels without the need for additional fuel or power.

(6) A person must not abandon a motor vehicle in the tunnels areas except in an emergency as directed by an authorised person.

(7) A person must not operate a motor vehicle music or sound system at such volume as to cause nuisance to users of the tunnels.

(8) A person must not unnecessarily, inappropriately or excessively use a car horn, klaxon or lights (including car lamps) in the tunnels areas.

(9) A person must not take or cause to be taken into the tunnels areas a motor vehicle which by reason of its condition is likely to break down or is in such condition as is likely to injure persons or damage property.

(10) A person must not use or cause to be used a motor vehicle in the tunnels unless the load carried by the motor vehicle is at all times contained or secured (if necessary by physical restraint other than its own weight) and is in such a position that neither danger nor nuisance is caused or is likely to be caused to a person or property by reason of the load or any part of the load falling or being thrown from the motor vehicle.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

- (11) No driver or passenger in a motor vehicle which has broken down may carry out repairs to or refuel a motor vehicle in the tunnels areas without the permission of an authorised person.
- (12) A driver of a motor vehicle which has broken down in the tunnels areas must—
 - (a) immediately notify an authorised person of the breakdown; and
 - (b) switch on the motor vehicle’s hazard lights.
- (13) A driver of a motor vehicle which has shed its load in full or in part in the tunnels such that it has caused, or may cause, an obstruction or other hazard to users of the tunnels must—
 - (a) not attempt to reclaim the load;
 - (b) immediately inform an authorised person of the loss of the load and of its approximate location; and
 - (c) immediately inform an authorised person of the identity of, and contact details for, the owner of the load.
- (14) A person must not take into the Blackwall Tunnel a motor vehicle which has—
 - (a) a weight of more than 44,000 kilograms;
 - (b) an axle load of more than 10,000 kilograms for a single non-driving axle and 11,500 kilograms for a single driving axle;
 - (c) a width of more than 2.9 metres; or
 - (d) a rigid length of more than 18.65 metres.
- (15) A person must not take into the Blackwall Tunnel a motor vehicle of a height greater than the heights set out in this table—

<i>Direction</i>	<i>Traffic lanes and maximum vehicle heights</i>
Northbound	Lane 1 (nearside): 4 metres or 13 feet
	Lane 2 (offside): 2.8 metres or 9 feet
Southbound	Both lanes: 4.7 metres or 15 feet and six inches

- (16) A driver of a motor vehicle must not (unless directed by an authorised person) drive in the tunnels areas at a speed of less than ten miles per hour except where the driver is prevented from driving at or above ten miles per hour on account of the traffic flow.
- (17) A driver of a motor vehicle must comply with any direction given by an authorised person or traffic notice, sign or signal at any time in terms of the traffic lanes to be used by motor vehicles or not to be used by motor vehicles.

Dangerous goods

- 8.—(1) A person must not, except with the consent of TfL, take or cause or permit to be taken into the tunnels areas a motor vehicle carrying dangerous goods and must at all times when in the tunnels areas comply with the conditions imposed by paragraph (2) below.
- (2) The consent of TfL, if granted, is subject to the following conditions—
 - (a) no person may drive into the tunnels any motor vehicle to which paragraph (1) applies except with such escort as may be directed or required by an authorised person and the driver of every such motor vehicle must take and comply with such directions or precautionary measures as an authorised person considers expedient in the circumstances; and

- (b) a driver of a motor vehicle to which paragraph (1) applies must be accompanied by a person legally entitled to drive the motor vehicle who will be capable of stopping the motor vehicle in the event of sudden illness or incapacity overtaking the driver while in the tunnels.
- (3) The driver of a motor vehicle to which paragraph (1) applies must stop on arriving at any marshalling area and must not proceed further into the tunnels without the consent of, or as directed by, an authorised person.
- (4) The consent of TfL under this byelaw may be granted generally or specifically, including in respect of any category or description of dangerous goods.
- (5) TfL must provide and maintain on its website a mechanism for potential tunnel users to obtain the consent required under paragraph (1) above or granted under paragraph (4).
- (6) A driver of a motor vehicle in the tunnels areas must not prevent an authorised person from inspecting the motor vehicle for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the requirements which apply at any time in respect of the carriage of dangerous goods.