
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the District
of South Bedfordshire) Order 1982**

Made - - - - - 1st November 1982
Laid before Parliament 11th November 1982
Coming into Operation 3rd December 1982

The Secretary of State, being satisfied on the joint application of the Councils of the County of Bedfordshire and the District of South Bedfordshire that adequate provision appears to be made in the area of the District of South Bedfordshire for the accommodation of gipsies residing in or resorting to that District, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 12(2) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968(a) and now vested in him(b), hereby makes the following order:—

1. This order may be cited as the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the District of South Bedfordshire) Order 1982, and shall come into operation on 3rd December 1982.

2. The area of the District of South Bedfordshire is hereby designated as an area to which section 10 (prohibition of unauthorised camping in designated areas) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

1st November 1982.

Michael R. D. Heseltine,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

(a) 1968 c. 52; section 12 was amended by section 175 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act, 1980.
(b) S.I. 1970/1681.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order designates the District of South Bedfordshire in the County of Bedfordshire as an area to which section 10 of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies. The effect of designation is to make it an offence for a gipsy to station a caravan for the purpose of residing in it on highway land, unoccupied land or occupied land, without the consent of the occupier. A magistrates court has power under section 11 of the 1968 Act as amended by section 174 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65) to order the removal of unlawfully stationed caravans and their occupants.