
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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TRANSPORT

The Railways (Closure Provisions) (Exemptions) Order 1996

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21st May 1996</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>22nd May 1996</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>24th May 1996</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 49(2), (4) and (5), 143(4) and 151(5) of the Railways Act 1993(1), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Railways (Closure Provisions) (Exemptions) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 24th May 1996.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the 1993 Act” means the Railways Act 1993;

“exempt network” means the network consisting of—

- (i) the railway line running between Wimbledon Station and West Croydon Station in the London Boroughs of Merton, Sutton and Croydon, through the following stations, namely Merton Park, Morden Road, Mitcham, Beddington Lane, and Waddon Marsh, but excluding the section of track running through Mitcham Junction Station and used for railway services between London and Sutton;
- (ii) the railway line running between Elmers End Station and Addiscombe Station in the London Boroughs of Croydon and Bromley; and
- (iii) any installations associated with any of the track comprised in the lines mentioned in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above;

“exempt station” means any of the following stations associated with the exempt network, namely Merton Park, Morden Road, Mitcham, Beddington Lane, Waddon Marsh, Addiscombe and Woodside.

Disapplication of closure provisions

3.—(1) Every railway passenger service provided wholly or substantially on the exempt network is a service in relation to which section 37 of the 1993 Act (closure of non-franchised etc. passenger services) is not to have effect.

(2) The exempt network is a network in relation to which section 39 of the 1993 Act (closure of operational passenger networks) is not to have effect.

(3) Every exempt station is a station in relation to which section 41 of the 1993 Act (closure of railway facilities used in connection with passenger services) is not to have effect.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Steven Norris
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for
Transport,
Department of Transport

21st May 1996

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for the grant of exemptions from the closure provisions of the Railways Act 1993 (“the 1993 Act”) in relation to the construction of the proposed Croydon Tramlink light rail system.

Article 3 provides that sections 37, 39 and 41 of the 1993 Act (closure of non-franchised passenger services, operational passenger networks and facilities) are not to apply to specified railway passenger services, networks, and stations.