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**The Zebra, Pelican and Puffin Pedestrian Crossings
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PART I

**THE ZEBRA, PELICAN AND PUFFIN
PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS REGULATIONS 1997**

SECTION 11

FORM OF CROSSINGS

Traffic signs and road markings for indicating crossings

- 5.—(1) A Zebra crossing shall be indicated by—
- (a) the placing at or near the crossing of traffic signs of the size, colour and type specified in Part I of Schedule 1;
 - (b) the placing on the carriageway to indicate the limits of the crossing of road markings of the size, colour and type specified in Part II of Schedule 1.
- (2) A Pelican crossing shall be indicated by—
- (a) the placing at or near the crossing of traffic signs of the size, colour and type specified in Schedule 2;
 - (b) the placing on the carriageway to indicate the limits of the crossing of road markings of the size, colour and type specified in Schedule 4.
- (3) A Puffin crossing shall be indicated by—
- (a) the placing at or near the crossing of traffic signs of the size, colour and type specified in Schedule 3;
 - (b) the placing on the carriageway to indicate the limits of the crossing of road markings of the size, colour and type specified in Schedule 4.

Give-way and stop lines and controlled areas

6.—(1) On each side of a Zebra crossing, there shall be laid out a Zebra controlled area (including a give-way line) indicated by road markings of the size, colour and type, and generally in the manner, specified in Part II of Schedule 1.

(2) On each side of a Pelican or Puffin crossing, there shall be laid out a Pelican controlled area or a Puffin controlled area indicated by road markings of the size, colour and type, and generally in the manner, specified in Schedule 4.

(3) A stop line or stop lines of the size, colour and type specified in Schedule 4 shall be placed next to a Pelican or Puffin crossing in the manner specified in that Schedule.

Dimensions

7.—(1) Dimensions indicated on any diagram shown in the Schedules to these Regulations are expressed in millimetres.

(2) A dimension (other than one specified as a maximum or minimum dimension) specified in a diagram in Schedule 2 or 3 may be varied if, in the case of a dimension of the length specified in column (2) of an item in the table below, the variation does not exceed the extent specified in column (3) of the item.

TABLE

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Item</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Length of dimension</i> | <i>(3)</i> <i>Extent of variation</i> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| (1) | less than 10 mm | 1 mm |
| (2) | 10 mm or more but less than 50 mm | 10 % of the dimension |
| (3) | 50 mm or more but less than 300 mm | 7.5% of the dimension |
| (4) | 300 mm or more | 5% of the dimension |

(3) A dimension (other than one specified as a maximum or minimum dimension) specified in any diagram in Schedule 1 or in Schedule 4 may be varied if, in the case of a dimension of the length specified in column (2) of an item in the table below, the variation does not exceed the extent specified in column (3) of the item.

TABLE

| <i>(1)</i> <i>Item</i> | <i>(2)</i> <i>Length of dimension</i> | <i>(3)</i> <i>Extent of variation</i> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (1) | 300 mm or more | (i) 20% of the dimension where the varied dimension is greater than the specified dimension; or (ii) 10% of the dimension where the varied dimension is less than the specified dimension |
| (2) | less than 300 mm | (i) 30% of the dimension where the varied dimension is greater than the specified dimension; or (ii) 10% of the dimension where the varied dimension is less than the specified dimension |

(4) Where maximum and minimum dimensions are specified for any element of a traffic sign or road marking, the dimension chosen for that element must not be less than the minimum and must not exceed the maximum.

(5) Where any diagram in a Schedule to these Regulations specifies a dimension for an element of a traffic sign or road marking together with a dimension for that element in brackets, the dimensions so specified shall be alternatives.

(6) A dimension specified in the 1994 Regulations in relation to a traffic sign prescribed by those Regulations and referred to in these Regulations may be varied to the extent permitted by the 1994 Regulations.

Additional equipment

8. A traffic authority may provide at, or fix to any traffic sign or post placed for the purposes of, a crossing in accordance with these Regulations any object, device, apparatus or equipment—

- (a) in connection with the proper operation of the crossing; or
- (b) which they consider appropriate for giving information or assistance to disabled persons wishing to use the crossing.

Additional traffic signs

9. In addition to the traffic signs prescribed in regulation 5 a traffic sign shown in diagram 610, 611, 612, 613 or 616 in Schedule 2 or diagram 810 in Schedule 4, or a road marking shown in diagram 1029 or the white triangular markings included in the road marking shown in diagram 1061 of Schedule 6, to the 1994 Regulations may, if the traffic authority think fit, be placed at or near a crossing.

Non-compliance with requirements of this Section

10.—(1) Where, as respects a crossing or controlled area, the requirements of this Section of these Regulations as to the placing of traffic signs and road markings to indicate the crossing or controlled area have not been complied with in every respect, the crossing or, as the case may be, the controlled area shall nevertheless be treated as complying with these Regulations if the non-compliance—

- (a) is not such as materially to affect the general appearance of the crossing or the controlled area;
- (b) does not, in the case of a Pelican or Puffin crossing, affect the proper operation of the vehicular and pedestrian signals at the crossing; and
- (c) does not relate to the size of the controlled area.

(2) Nothing in any other provision of these Regulations shall be taken to restrict the generality of paragraph (1).