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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1485**

**The Network Rail (Cambridgeshire  
Level Crossing Reduction) Order 2020**

**PART 3**

**ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND**

*Temporary possession or use of land*

**Temporary use of land for maintenance of works**

**24.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), at any time during the maintenance period relating to any of the authorised works, Network Rail may—

- (a) enter upon and take temporary possession of any Order land if such possession is reasonably required for the purpose of maintaining the authorised works; and
- (b) construct such temporary works (including the provision of means of access) as may be reasonably necessary for that purpose.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not authorise Network Rail to take temporary possession of—

- (a) any house or garden belonging to a house; or
- (b) any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.

(3) Not less than 28 days before entering upon and taking temporary possession of land under this article Network Rail must serve notice of the intended entry on the owners and occupiers of the land.

(4) Network Rail may only remain in possession of land under this article for so long as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the maintenance of works for which possession of the land was taken.

(5) Before giving up possession of land of which temporary possession has been taken under this article, Network Rail must remove all temporary works and restore the land to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners of the land.

(6) Network Rail must pay compensation to the owners and occupiers of land of which temporary possession is taken under this article for any loss or damage arising from the exercise in relation to the land of the powers conferred by this article.

(7) Any dispute as to a person's entitlement to compensation under paragraph (6), or as to the amount of the compensation, is to be determined under Part 1 of the 1961 Act.

(8) Without affecting article 38 (no double recovery), nothing in this article affects any liability to pay compensation under section 10(2) (further provision as to compensation for injurious affection) of the 1965 Act or under any other enactment in respect of loss or damage arising from the execution of any works, other than loss or damage for which compensation is payable under paragraph (6).

(9) Where Network Rail takes possession of land under this article, it is not required to acquire the land or any interest in it.

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(10) Section 13 (refusal to give possession to the acquiring authority) of the 1965 Act applies to the temporary use of land under this article to the same extent as it applies to the compulsory acquisition of land under this Order by virtue of article 20 (application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act).

(11) In this article “the maintenance period” in relation to an authorised work means the period of one year beginning with the date on which the work is opened for use.