

**2023 No. 196**

**ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

**The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) Order  
(Northern Ireland) 2023**

*Made* - - - - - *29th November 2023*

*Coming into operation* *28th December 2023*

The Department for Infrastructure<sup>(a)</sup> makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 4(1), (2) and (3), 10(4) and 13(1), (13) and (16) of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997<sup>(b)</sup> and now vested in it<sup>(c)</sup>.

It appears to the Department to be necessary to provide suitable parking places for vehicles on the lengths of the roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

The Department has consulted with such persons as it considered appropriate in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedules 1 and 4 to the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997.

The Department has published a notice in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of those Schedules.

The Department, in compliance with paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 4 to that Order, has taken such other steps as appear to the Department reasonably practicable for the purpose of bringing specifically to the knowledge of the occupiers of land adjacent to the parking places the particulars specified in paragraph 3(2) of that Schedule.

No written objection or other representation has been received.

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023 and shall come into operation on 28th December 2023.

(2) In this Order—

“medical practitioner” means a registered person within the meaning of the Medical Act 1983<sup>(d)</sup>;

“parking place” means a length of road authorised by Article 2 to be used as a parking place;

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(a) Formerly the Department for Regional Development; see section 1(6) and (11) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c. 5 (N.I.))

(b) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)

(c) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

(d) 1983 c. 54

“parking space” means a space which is marked out in a parking place for the leaving of a vehicle;

“postal packet” has the same meaning as in section 65(1) of the Postal Services Act 2011(a);

“specified hours” means the hours between 8.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. on the days Monday to Saturday inclusive; and

“universal service provider” has the same meaning as in section 65(1) of the Postal Services Act 2011.

### **Authorisation of parking places**

2. The use as parking places of the lengths of the roads specified in Schedule 1 is authorised.

### **Position within a parking place**

3. Save as provided in Article 5, a person shall not leave or cause a vehicle to be left in a parking place unless it is wholly within a parking space where such as has been marked out.

### **Maximum period of waiting in and further use of a parking place**

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and save as provided in Article 5 during the specified hours—

(a) a person shall not leave or cause a vehicle to be left in a parking place specified—

(i) in Part 1 of Schedule 1 for longer than 30 minutes;

(ii) in Part 2 of Schedule 1 for longer than 1 hour.

(b) a person shall not leave or cause that vehicle to be left again in that parking place until the expiration of 1 hour from the time that vehicle is removed from that parking place.

(2) The prohibitions in paragraph (1) shall not apply to a disabled person’s vehicle.

### **Exceptions**

5.—(1) Nothing in Articles 3 or 4(1) shall render it unlawful to leave or cause a vehicle to be left in a parking place where the person in control of it is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond that person’s control or to avoid an accident or for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable—

(a) a person to board or alight from a vehicle left in a parking place before the expiration of 1 hour from the time that vehicle is removed from that parking place provided that such boarding or alighting does not cause that vehicle to be left again in that parking place for more than 2 minutes;

(b) the vehicle to be used in an emergency by a medical practitioner, or for fire and rescue, ambulance, police or customs purposes or for the purposes of the security forces;

(c) the vehicle to be used by or on behalf of a universal service provider for the purposes of the delivery to, or collection from, premises situated adjacent to the parking place of postal packets;

(d) the vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes outside that parking place, to be used—

(i) in connection with any building, repair or demolition operations;

(ii) in connection with the removal of any obstruction to traffic;

(iii) by or on behalf of a district council or a government department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;

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(a) 2011 c. 5

- (iv) by or on behalf of a sewerage undertaker or a water undertaker in connection with the discharge of that undertaker's functions;
  - (v) in connection with the discharge of the functions of the holder of a licence granted under Article 10 of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992<sup>(a)</sup> or of a licence granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996<sup>(b)</sup>; or
  - (vi) in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984<sup>(c)</sup>; or
- (e) goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) a vehicle shall be deemed to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes if any one part of the carriageway is below any part of the vehicle or its load (if any) throughout the period exceeding 2 minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period.

### **Suspension of the use of a parking place**

**6.** The Department may suspend the use of a parking place or any part of it for so long as may be necessary for the purpose of enabling—

- (a) a vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose outside that parking place, to be used in connection with any of the following purposes—
  - (i) building, repair or demolition operations, including works to property adjacent to the parking place;
  - (ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
  - (iii) the cleansing, maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the road; or
  - (iv) the laying, erection, alteration or repair in, or in land adjacent to the road, of any sewer, main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984;
- (b) the implementation of any traffic management scheme; or
- (c) street works as defined in Article 3(3) of the Street Works (Northern Ireland) Order 1995<sup>(d)</sup> to be executed.

### **Prohibition of the use of a suspended parking place**

**7.** A person not using a vehicle in connection with any of the undertakings specified in Article 6 shall not leave or cause that vehicle to be left in a parking place where the use of that parking place has been suspended by the Department in accordance with that Article.

### **Removal of a vehicle in an emergency**

**8.** A person authorised by the Department may remove a vehicle from a parking place in an emergency.

### **Method of removal of a vehicle**

**9.** Any person removing a vehicle by virtue of Article 8 may do so by towing or driving the vehicle, or in such a manner as is reasonably necessary and may take such measures as are reasonably necessary to enable that person to remove it.

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(a) S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1) as amended by S.I. 2003/419 (N.I. 6), S.R. 2007 No. 283, S.R. 2007 No. 284, S.R. 2007 No. 303, S.R. 2007 No. 320, S.R. 2007 No. 321, S.I. 2007/913 (N.I. 7) and S.R. 2011 No. 155  
 (b) S.I. 1996/275 (N.I. 2) as amended by S.R. 2006 No. 358, S.R. 2011 No. 155 and S.R. 2013 No. 92  
 (c) 1984 c. 12 as amended by 2003 c. 21 Schedule 3 paragraph 2(2)  
 (d) S.I. 1995/3210 (N.I. 19)

### **Custody of a vehicle**

10. When a person authorised by the Department removes or makes arrangements for the removal of a vehicle from a parking place by virtue of Article 8 that person shall make such arrangements as may be necessary for the safe custody of the vehicle.

### **Lengths of road on which vehicles must not wait**

11. Save as provided in Article 12, a person shall not cause or permit a vehicle to wait—
- (a) at any time on a length of road specified in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 2;
  - (b) during the hours between 8.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. on the days Monday to Friday inclusive on the length of road specified in Part 3 of Schedule 2;
  - (c) during the hours between 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. and between 2.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. on the days Monday to Saturday inclusive on the length of road specified in Part 4 of Schedule 2; or
  - (d) during the hours between 8.30 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. and between 1.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m. on the days Monday to Friday inclusive, during the period from 31st August to 30th June, on the length of road specified in Part 5 of Schedule 2.

### **Exceptions to prohibition of waiting**

12.—(1) Nothing in Article 11 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on the carriageway of a length of road specified in Schedule 2 where the person in control of it is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond that person's control or to avoid an accident or for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable—

- (a) a person to board or alight from a vehicle provided that such boarding or alighting does not cause the vehicle to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes;
- (b) the vehicle to be used in an emergency by a medical practitioner, or for fire and rescue, ambulance, police or customs purposes or for the purposes of the security forces;
- (c) the vehicle to be used by or on behalf of a universal service provider for the purposes of the delivery to, or collection from, premises situated adjacent to the length of road of postal packets;
- (d) the vehicle, if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes outside that length of road, to be used—
  - (i) in connection with any building, repair or demolition operations;
  - (ii) in connection with the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
  - (iii) by or on behalf of a district council or a government department in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
  - (iv) by or on behalf of a sewerage undertaker or a water undertaker in connection with the discharge of that undertaker's functions;
  - (v) in connection with the discharge of the functions of the holder of a licence granted under Article 10 of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 or of a licence granted under Article 8 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996; or
  - (vi) in connection with the laying, erection, alteration or repair of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984.

(2) Nothing in Article 11 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle to wait on the carriageway of a length of road specified in Part 1 of Schedule 2 for so long as may be reasonably necessary to enable goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) a vehicle shall be deemed to wait in the same place for more than 2 minutes if any one part of the carriageway is below any part of the vehicle or its load

(if any) throughout a period exceeding 2 minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period.

### **Revocations**

13. The Orders specified in Schedule 3 are revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 29th November 2023

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A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure

## **SCHEDULE 1**

Article 2

### **PARKING PLACES IN CARRICKFERGUS**

#### **PART 1**

Monday to Saturday 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. – Maximum stay 30 minutes; No return within 1 hour

Irish Quarter West (south side) – from a point 57 metres west of its junction with Albert Road for a distance of 11 metres in a westerly direction.

#### **PART 2**

Monday to Saturday 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. – Maximum stay 1 hour; No return within 1 hour

1. Antrim Street (west side) – from a point 15 metres north of its junction with High Street for a distance of 23 metres in a north-easterly direction.
2. Castle Street (west side) – from a point 19.1 metres north-east of its junction with Marine Highway for a distance of 19.5 metres in a north-easterly direction.
3. Irish Quarter South (south side) – from a point 15 metres west of its junction with Irish Gate for a distance of 99 metres in a south-westerly direction.

## WAITING RESTRICTIONS IN CARRICKFERGUS

## PART 1

No waiting at any time – Loading and unloading permitted

1. Elizabeth Avenue (south-east side) – from a point 15 metres south-west of its junction with Victoria Road for a distance of 87 metres in a south-westerly direction.
2. High Street (both sides) – from a point 15 metres south-west of its junction with Antrim Street for a distance of 10 metres in a south-westerly direction.
3. High Street (north-west side) – from a point 52 metres south-west of its junction with Antrim Street for a distance of 19 metres in a south-westerly direction.
4. High Street (south-east side) – from a point 52 metres south-west of its junction with Antrim Street for a distance of 7 metres in a south-westerly direction.
5. High Street (south-east side) – from a point 87 metres south-west of its junction with Antrim Street for a distance of 13 metres in a south-westerly direction.
6. Rhanbuoy Close (both sides) – from a point 15 metres north-west of its junction with Belfast Road for a distance of 30 metres in a north-westerly direction.

## PART 2

No waiting at any time – Loading and unloading not permitted

1. Antrim Street (south-west side) – from a point 42.2 metres north-west of its junction with High Street for a distance of 21.8 metres in a north-westerly direction.
2. Castle Street (east side) – from a point 15 metres north-east of its junction with Marine Highway, Route A2, to its junction with High Street.
3. High Street (east side) – from its junction with Castle Street to a point 100 metres south-west of its junction with Antrim Street.
4. Meadowbank Road (north-west side) – from a point 303 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 16 metres in a south-westerly direction.
5. Meadowbank Road (north-west side) – from a point 332 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 16 metres in a south-westerly direction.
6. Meadowbank Road (south-east side) – from a point 220 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 19 metres in a south-westerly direction.
7. Meadowbank Road (south-east side) – from a point 250 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 29 metres in a south-westerly direction.
8. Meadowbank Road (south-east side) – from a point 290 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 33 metres in a south-westerly direction.
9. Meadowbank Road (south-east side) – from a point 332 metres south-west of its junction with Sloefield Road for a distance of 20 metres in a south-westerly direction.
10. North Street (south-west side) – from a point 21.4 metres south-east of its junction with Albert Road for a distance of 21.6 metres in a south-westerly, then south easterly and then north-easterly direction.
11. Rodgers Quay (north-east side) – from a point 15 metres south-east of its junction with Belfast Road, Route A2, for a distance of 28 metres in a south-easterly direction.
12. Rodgers Quay (south-west side) – from a point 15 metres south-east of its junction with Belfast Road, Route A2, for a distance of 52 metres in a south-easterly direction.
13. Victoria Road (west side) – from a point 15 metres north of its junction with Prince Andrew Way for a distance of 24 metres in a northerly direction.

14. Victoria Road (west side) – from a point 88.5 metres north of its junction with Prince Andrew Way for a distance of 77.5 metres in a northerly direction.

### PART 3

No waiting Monday to Friday 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. – Loading and unloading not permitted

Marine Highway (north-west side) – from a point 80 metres north-east of its junction with Joymount for a distance of 402 metres in a north-easterly direction.

### PART 4

No waiting Monday to Saturday 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. – Loading and unloading not permitted

Elizabeth Avenue (north-west side) – from a point 15 metres south-west of its junction with Victoria Road for a distance of 51 metres in a south-westerly direction.

### PART 5

No waiting Monday to Friday 8.30 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. during 31st August to 30th June – Loading and unloading not permitted

Maritime Drive (north-west side) – from a point 144 metres south-west of its junction with Rodgers Quay for a distance of 46 metres in a south-westerly direction.

## SCHEDULE 3

Article 13

### REVOCATIONS

1. The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016(a).
2. The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016(b).
3. The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019(c).
4. The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2021(d).
5. The Parking and Waiting Restrictions (Carrickfergus) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2022(e).

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(a) S.R. 2016 No. 306  
(b) S.R. 2016 No. 358  
(c) S.R. 2019 No. 105  
(d) S.R. 2021 No. 78  
(e) S.R. 2022 No. 42

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order authorises a length of Castle Street, Carrickfergus, as specified in Part 2 of Schedule 1 (Article 2), for use as a parking place and prescribes the conditions under which it may be used (Articles 3, 4 and 7). Vehicles are excepted from the conditions in certain circumstances (Article 5). The Order also makes provision for the suspension of the use of the parking place (Article 6) and for the removal of a vehicle from the parking place in an emergency (Articles 8 and 9) and for its the safe custody (Article 10).

This Order also prohibits vehicles from waiting on a length of Antrim Street and North Street, Carrickfergus as specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2. The Order also revokes the Orders specified in Schedule 3 and re-enacts the parking and waiting restrictions therein (Article 13).

Vehicles are excepted from the prohibition in certain circumstances.

A penalty charge (£90) is payable with respect to a vehicle involved in a contravention of this Order in accordance with the Traffic Management (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 and the Penalty Charges (Prescribed Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006.

Traffic signs indicating the effect of the item relating to North Street, Carrickfergus will in due course be placed on the road.