

2023 No. 38

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**The Road Races (Circuit of Ireland Rally) Order (Northern
Ireland) 2023**

Made - - - - *15th March 2023*

Coming into operation - *7th April 2023*

The Department for Infrastructure(a), in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 3 of the Road Races (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(b) and now vested in it(c), and after consulting the Chief Constable, orders and declares as follows.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Road Races (Circuit of Ireland Rally) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023 and shall come into operation on 7th April 2023.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the course” means the roads specified in the Schedules;

“marshal” means a person of at least 18 years of age authorised in writing by the promoter to assist in connection with the proper conduct of the race; and

“the promoter” means the Ulster Automobile Club Ltd.

Application

3. Subject to compliance with all the requirements of this Order, the course may be used by the promoter for motor races between the times and on the days specified in Schedules 1 to 4.

Suspension of right of way and notice

4. On the days specified in Schedules 1 to 4 from and until the times specified therein or until the time the race is announced by the promoter as completed, whichever is earlier, the right of way on the course of all persons, vehicles and other forms of traffic shall be suspended other than to—

(a) persons appointed by the promoter as officials or marshals, constables, vehicles engaged in the race, persons in charge of or directly employed in connection with such vehicles and vehicles used by such officials, marshals, or constables;

(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. 1986/1887 (N.I. 17)

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

- (b) vehicles used to cross the course in an emergency by a medical practitioner or for fire and rescue, ambulance or police purposes; and
- (c) persons with or without vehicles who reside in the race area crossing the course or proceeding on it for that purpose and persons so proceeding or crossing the course with or without vehicles in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;

provided that such persons and vehicles referred to in (b) and (c) shall cross the course only at such times and places as may be specified by a person appointed by the promoter as the clerk of the course.

5. The promoter shall give notice to the inhabitants of the districts adjoining the course of the temporary suspension of the right of way thereon by—

- (a) posting, not later than 7 days before the date of the race, placard notices specifying the course, the date on which, and the times during which, the right of way is suspended, in prominent positions in the neighbourhood and in particular near the junction of all other roads within or adjoining the course; and
- (b) publishing, during each of the 2 weeks preceding the date of the race, advertisements giving information as in paragraph (a) in 2 newspapers circulating in the locality of the course.

Prohibition of traffic

6. It shall not be lawful to cause or permit traffic, either vehicular or pedestrian, to use or remain on that part of any road between the barricades and its junction with the course during the periods when the right of way on the course is suspended.

Cordoning off of the course

7. The promoter shall—

- (a) close every road opening off the course by means of a proper and sufficient barricade or barricades placed at least 10 metres from the course;
- (b) place notice boards on every road at or in the vicinity of the barricades stating that the right of way on the course is temporarily suspended;
- (c) ensure that the barricades and notice boards referred to in this Article are—
 - (i) in position at least one hour before the start of the race; and
 - (ii) removed within one hour after the end of the race; and
- (d) take all steps necessary to prohibit spectators and other persons, other than the promoter's officials, marshals and constables, from using the carriageway or sides of the course during the progress of the race.

8. The promoter shall not open the course to traffic until the last competitor has finished.

Traffic Management Plan

9. The promoter shall—

- (a) agree a traffic management plan with the Department and the Chief Constable, and provide and place signs to enable persons to avoid the course; and
- (b) ensure that the signs referred to in this Article are—
 - (i) placed in position at least 48 hours before the start of the race; and
 - (ii) removed within 24 hours after the end of the race.

Provision of marshals

10. The promoter shall—

- (a) provide a sufficient number of marshals for the proper conduct of the race;
- (b) place marshals at the junction of each road, laneway and accommodation road adjoining the course and also at such intervals of about 45 metres alternatively on each side of the course; and
- (c) provide each marshal with at least an armlet of distinguishing colour which shall be worn by the marshal during the period when the right of way on the course is suspended.

Documents to be produced to the Department

11. Not less than 14 days before the date of the race the promoter shall lodge with the Department a copy of the particulars of the promoter's proposed arrangements for the conduct of the race and shall make such further arrangements as the Chief Constable may consider desirable in the interests of public safety.

Insurance and indemnities

12.—(1) The promoter shall have secured insurances and indemnities as follows—

- (a) the promoter is indemnified by a policy of insurance effected with an approved Insurance Company or Lloyd's Underwriters for the sum as specified in paragraph (2)(a), which the promoter, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, any competitor in the race, the Crown or any servants of the Crown or any constable may become legally liable to pay for compensation and litigation expenses in respect of the death of, or bodily injury to, any person, or the loss of, or damage to, lands or property adjoining the course caused by or arising out of the race, provided that such a policy of insurance may exclude any claim made by one competitor against another arising out of accidents occurring during the race; and
- (b) the promoter shall have so effected as in sub-paragraph (a) a personal accident policy of insurance for such benefits as are specified in paragraph (2)(b) in respect of the death of, or bodily injury to, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, the servants of the Crown, constables and members of voluntary medical services solely in connection with or arising out of the holding of the race.

(2) The specified sums are—

- (a) liability of the promoter, the promoter's officials, marshals, agents or servants, the Crown or any servants of the Crown or any constable or any competitor in the race, £100,000,000 for any one accident or series of accidents arising out of one occurrence, but unlimited in amount as to the total sum payable; and
- (b) in respect of death of, or bodily injury to, any of those persons mentioned in paragraph (1)(b) the following benefits—
 - (i) death, £75,000;
 - (ii) total loss by physical severance of two limbs or total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in both eyes or total loss by physical severance of one limb together with the total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in one eye, £75,000;
 - (iii) total loss by physical severance of one limb or total and irrecoverable loss of all sight in one eye, £75,000;
 - (iv) permanent total disablement, £75,000;
 - (v) temporary total disablement, either
 - (aa) up to £600 per week or 100% of the weekly wage (whichever is lesser), during the disablement, limited to 104 weeks from the date on which disability occurs in respect of those in regular employment; or
 - (bb) up to a maximum of £2,000 for expenses necessarily incurred in any one accident in respect of those not in regular employment.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 15th March 2023

(L.S.)

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A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure

SCHEDULE 1

Articles 2, 3 and 4

SPECIAL STAGES 1 & 5 – ‘WOLF’S HILL’ – ROADS IN COUNTY TYRONE – Saturday 8th April 2023 – from 0740 to 1700

1.	Lough Fea Road, Unclassified No. 713, from its junction with Lough Fea Road, Route B162, to its junction with Spawell Road, Unclassified No. 713.
2.	Spawell Road, Unclassified No. 713, from its junction with Lough Fea Road, Unclassified No. 713, to its junction with Slaght Road, Unclassified No. 711.
3.	Slaght Road, Unclassified No. 711, from its junction with Lough Fea Road, Unclassified No. 713, to its junction with Ballynagilly Road, Unclassified No. 715.
4.	Ballynagilly Road, Unclassified No. 715, from its junction with Slaght Road, Unclassified No. 711, to its junction with Ramper Road, Unclassified No. 716.
5.	Ramper Road, Unclassified No. 716, from its junction with Ballynagilly Road, Unclassified No. 715, to its junction with Feegarren Road, Unclassified No. 716.
6.	Feegarren Road, Unclassified No. 716, from its junction with Ramper Road, Unclassified No. 716, to its junction with Ballynasollus Road, Unclassified No. 711.
7.	Ballynasollus Road, Unclassified No. 711, from its junction with Feegarren Road, Unclassified No. 716, to its junction with Beltonanean Road, Unclassified No. 712.
8.	Beltonanean Road, Unclassified No. 712, from its junction with Ballynasollus Road, Unclassified No. 711, to its junction with Beltonanean Lane, Unclassified No. 712.
9.	Beltonanean Lane, Unclassified No. 712, from its junction with Beltonanean Road, Unclassified No. 712, to its junction with Ballynasollus Road, Route C616.

SCHEDULE 2

Articles 2, 3 and 4

SPECIAL STAGES 2 & 6 – ‘MUCKER’ – ROADS IN COUNTY TYRONE – Saturday 8th April 2023 – from 0810 to 1730

1.	Rock Road, Unclassified No. 1241, from its junction with Blackbog Road, Route C612, to its junction with Gorticashel road, Route C612.
2.	Gorticashel Road, Route C612, from its junction with Rock Road, Unclassified No. 1241, to its junction with Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 1238.

3.	Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 1238, from its junction with Gorticashel Road, Route C612, to its junction with Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 703.
4.	Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 703, from its junction with Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 1238, to its junction with Keerin Road, Route C621.
5.	Keerin Road, Route C621, from its junction with Crouck Road, Unclassified No. 703, to its junction with Beaghmore Road, Unclassified No. 706.
6.	Beaghmore Road, Unclassified No. 706, from its junction with Keerin Road, Route C621, to its southern junction with Meenanea Road, Unclassified No. 707.
7.	Meenanea Road, Unclassified No. 707, from its southern junction with Beaghmore Road, Unclassified No. 706, to its junction with Meenanea Road, Unclassified No. 708.
8.	Meenanea Road, Unclassified No. 708, from its junction with Meenanea Road, Unclassified No. 707, to its junction with Blackrock Road, Route C554.

SCHEDULE 3

Articles 2, 3 and 4

SPECIAL STAGES 3 & 7 – ‘THE HOLLOW’ – ROADS IN COUNTY TYRONE – Saturday 8th April 2023 – from 0940 to 1900

1.	Urbal Lane, Unclassified No. 613, from its junction with Drumconvis Road, Route B73, to its junction with Drumad Lane, Unclassified No. 613.
2.	Drumad Lane, Unclassified No. 613, from its junction with Urbal Lane, Unclassified No. 613, to its junction with Drumad Road, Unclassified No. 612.
3.	Drumad Road, Unclassified No. 612, from its junction with Drumad Lane, Unclassified No. 613, to its junction with Aghaveagh Road, Route C564.
4.	Aghaveagh Road, Route C564, from its junction with Drumad Road, Unclassified No. 612, crossing Ballymaguire Road, Route C564, to its junction with Ballymaguire Road, Unclassified No. 626.
5.	Ballymaguire Road, Unclassified No. 626, from its junction with Aghaveagh Road, Route C564, to its junction with Ballyblagh Road, Unclassified No. 626.
6.	Ballyblagh Road, Unclassified No. 626, from its junction with Ballymaguire Road, Unclassified No. 626, to its junction with Gortnaskea Road, Unclassified No. 625.
7.	Gortnaskea Road, Unclassified No. 625, from its junction with Ballyblagh Road, Unclassified No. 626, crossing Tamlaghtmore Road, Route C619, to its junction with Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified No. 625.
8.	Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified No. 625, from its junction with Gortnaskea Road, Unclassified No. 625, to its western junction with Carnan Road, Unclassified No. 628.
9.	Carnan Road, Unclassified No. 628, from its western junction with Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified No. 625, to its eastern junction with Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified No. 625.
10.	Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified No. 625, from its eastern junction with Carnan Road, Unclassified No. 628, to its junction with Albany Road, Unclassified No. 628.
11.	Albany Road, Unclassified No. 628, from its junction with Ballynafeagh Road, Unclassified

	No. 625, to its junction with Carnan Road, Unclassified No. 628.
12.	Carnan Road, Unclassified No. 628, from its junction with Albany Road, Unclassified No. 628, to its junction with Mountjoy Road, Route No. C619.

SCHEDULE 4

Articles 2, 3 and 4

SPECIAL STAGES 4 & 8 – ‘SHANMAGHRY’ – ROADS IN COUNTY TYRONE – Saturday 8th April 2023 – from 1020 to 1940

1.	Kerrib Lane, Unclassified No. 916, from its junction with Pomeroy Road, Route B43, to its junction with Kilnaslee Road, Unclassified No. 916.
2.	Kilnaslee Road, Unclassified No. 916, from its junction with Kerrib Lane, Unclassified No. 916, to its junction with Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 916.
3.	Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 916, from its junction with Kilnaslee Road, Unclassified No. 916, to its junction with Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 915.
4.	Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 915, from its junction with Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 916, to its junction with Gortindarragh Road, Unclassified No. 915, crossing Kilnaslee Road, Unclassified No. 916.
5.	Gortindarragh Road, Unclassified No. 915, from its junction with Kilmackardle Road, Unclassified No. 916, to its junction with Gortindarragh Road, Route C634.
6.	Gortindarragh Road, Route C634, from its junction with Gortindarragh Road, Unclassified No. 915, to its junction with Shanmaghery Road, Unclassified No. 913.
7.	Shanmaghery Road, unclassified No. 913, from its junction with Gortindarragh Road, Route C634, to its junction with Shanmaghery Road, Unclassified No. 908.
8.	Shanmaghery Road, Unclassified No. 908, from its junction with Shanmaghery Road, Unclassified No. 913, to its junction with Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 908.
9.	Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 908, from its junction with Shanmaghery Road, Unclassified No. 908, to its junction with Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 909.
10.	Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 909, from its junction with Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 908, to its junction with Cornamaddy Road, Unclassified No. 813.
11.	Cornamaddy Road, Unclassified No. 813, from its junction with Aghafad Road, Unclassified No. 909, to its junction with Cornamaddy Road, unclassified No. 811.
12.	Cornamaddy Road, Unclassified No. 811, from its junction with Cornamaddy Road, Unclassified No. 813, to its junction with Turnabaron Road, Route C634.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order permits the Ulster Automobile Club Ltd, as promoter of the Circuit of Ireland Rally 2023, to use for that event certain roads by suspending the right of way of other traffic on the day and during the times specified in the schedules.

In effect this Order temporarily closes these roads.

This Order requires the promoter to give public notice of the promoter's intended use of these roads by displaying placard notices in prominent positions in the neighbourhood of the road and by publishing advertisements in 2 local newspapers. The promoter must also provide marshals, seal off the road and arrange insurance to cover death, bodily injury or loss or damage to property resulting from the event.

It is an offence for any person—

- (a) to obstruct or interfere wilfully and unlawfully with the conduct of the event;
- (b) to obstruct any constable acting in the course of that constable's duty or any marshal or any other person exercising any function conferred on that person;
- (c) to enter or remain without authority on any road closed for the event;
- (d) to keep any animal or any vehicle without lawful authority on any specified road; or
- (e) to contravene wilfully any provision of a road closing Order or any traffic direction given by the police for the purposes of the event.