

ROAD TRAFFIC

Traffic Signs (Temporary Obstructions)

REGULATIONS, DATED 26TH FEBRUARY 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 38(1)(a) AND (b) OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1967.

The Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 38(1)(a) and (b) of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Temporary Obstructions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into operation on 10th March 1969.

2.—(1) A traffic sign of the size, colour and type hereinafter prescribed (hereinafter called “the triangle sign”) shall convey to traffic the warning of a temporary obstruction on the carriageway of a road.

(2) The triangle sign shall—

- (a) be of the size, colour and type shown in the diagram in Part I of the Schedule, subject, however, to the provisions of Part II of that Schedule;
- (b) be so constructed that it will stand firmly on the surface of a road with apex pointing upwards;
- (c) be so constructed that it is unlikely to cause more than superficial damage to any vehicle which may pass over it when it is standing on the surface of a road; and
- (d) be legibly and permanently marked with the specification number of the British Standard for an Advance Warning Triangle to indicate temporary obstructions, namely B.S. AU47:1965.

3.—(1) Any person not otherwise authorised to do so may place the triangle sign on a road for the purpose of warning traffic of a temporary obstruction on a carriageway.

(2) Any triangle sign placed on a road by any such person shall be placed at least 50 yards away from the obstruction and in a position from which the sign will warn traffic approaching the obstruction on the same side of the carriageway as that on which the obstruction is situate, and shall be placed facing such traffic and with apex pointing upwards.

4. Nothing in the Motorways Traffic Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963(b) shall preclude any person from placing the triangle sign on or removing it from a motorway.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 26th day of February 1969.

(L.S.)

W. G. Robinson,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations prescribe a traffic sign which may be placed by anyone on the carriageway, footway, verge or any other part of any road to warn traffic of a temporary obstruction on the carriageway. The sign is a triangle with a red border, each side of the triangle being about 20 inches long. The sign must be placed at least 50 yards away from the obstruction and in a position from which it will warn traffic on the same side of the carriageway as that on which the obstruction is situate.