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ROAD TRAFFIC

The Traffic Signs (Temporary Obstructions) Regulations 1966

<i>Made</i> - - - -	22nd November 1966
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	2nd December 1966
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	21st December 1966

After consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 260(2) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a), the Secretary of State and the Minister of Transport, acting jointly in exercise of their powers under section 51 of the said Act of 1960 as extended by section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1962(b) and of all other powers them enabling in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations other than Regulation 4(2) hereof, and the Secretary of State in exercise of his powers under section 37 of the said Act of 1960 and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf (as respects motorways in Scotland) and under the said section 37 as read with the Secretary of State for Wales and Minister of Land and Natural Resources Order 1965(c) and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf (as respects motorways in Wales and Monmouthshire) and the Minister of Transport in exercise of her powers under the said section 37 and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf (as respects motorways in England excluding Monmouthshire) hereby make Regulation 4(2) hereof:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on 21st December 1966 and may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Temporary Obstructions) Regulations 1966.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

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 to these Regulations, 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.

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.

(c) S.I. 1965/319 (1965 I, p. 785).

(b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.

(d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

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.—(1) Nothing in these Regulations shall affect Regulation 27(1)(a)(iii) of the Traffic Signs Regulations 1964(a), as amended(b) (which prescribes certain temporary signs to give warning of obstructions).

(2) Nothing in the Motorways Traffic Regulations 1959(c), as amended(b), or the Motorways Traffic (Scotland) Regulations 1964(d) shall preclude any person from placing the triangle sign on or removing it from a motorway.

Dated the 21st November 1966.

William Ross,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Dated the 22nd November 1966.

Cledwyn Hughes,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 22nd
November 1966.

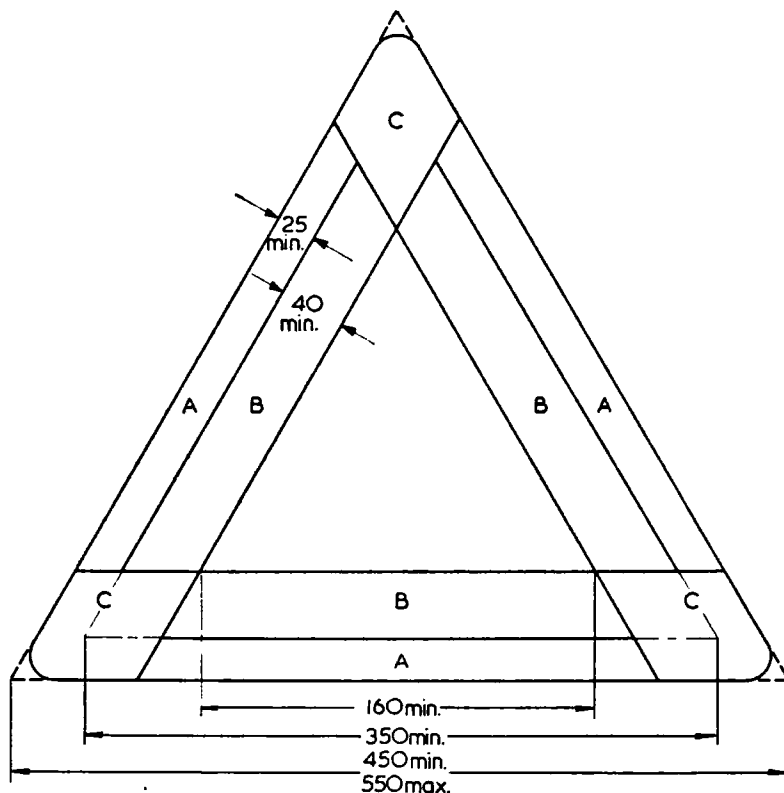
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Barbara Castle,
Minister of Transport.

(a) S.I. 1964/1857 (1964 III, p. 4053).
(c) S.I. 1959/1147 (1959 II, p. 2507).

(b) There is no relevant amending Instrument.
(d) S.I. 1964/1002 (1964 II, p. 2249).

SCHEDULE
TRIANGLE SIGN (See Regulation 2)
PART I



PART II

1. The areas marked A B & C on the diagram indicate areas of surface on the triangle as follows:—

- A. Red reflectorised surface. Not more than a total of 15 cm². may be obscured by constructional components.
- B. Red fluorescent surface.
- C. May have either red reflectorised surface or a combination of both red reflectorised and red fluorescent surfaces. Not more than 10 cm². in each corner may be obscured by constructional components.

2. The corners shall be radiused.
3. All sides shall be the same length.
4. All dimensions are in millimetres.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

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.