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**PUBLIC HEALTH, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Gipsy Encampments (The Borough of North  
Bedfordshire and the District of Mid Bedfordshire)  
Order 1988**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>12th January 1988</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>20th January 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>10th February 1988</i>

The Secretary of State, being satisfied that adequate provision is made in the area consisting of the combined areas of the Borough of North Bedfordshire and the District of Mid Bedfordshire for the accommodation of gipsies residing in or resorting to that area, on the joint application of the councils of the County of Bedfordshire, the Borough of North Bedfordshire, and the District of Mid Bedfordshire, and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 12(2) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968(a), and now vested in him(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Gipsy Encampments (The Borough of North Bedfordshire and the District of Mid Bedfordshire) Order 1988 and shall come into force on 10th February 1988.

2. The combined areas of the Borough of North Bedfordshire and the District of Mid Bedfordshire are designated as an area to which section 10 (prohibition of unauthorised camping in designated areas) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

12th January 1988

*Nicholas Ridley*  
Secretary of State  
for the Environment

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(a) 1968 c.52; section 12 was substituted by section 175 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c.65), and was amended by paragraph 11(2) of Schedule 8 to the Local Government Act 1985 (c.51). (b) S.I. 1970/1681.

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order designates the combined areas of the Borough of North Bedfordshire and the District of Mid Bedfordshire as an area to which section 10 of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 applies.

It is an offence within a designated area for a gipsy to station a caravan for the purpose of residing for any period on any land within the boundaries of a highway, or on any other unoccupied land, or on any occupied land without the consent of the occupier.

Under section 11 of the Act (substituted by section 174 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980), unlawfully stationed caravans and their occupants may be removed by order of a magistrates' court.

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