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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1994 No. 432**

**OPEN SPACES**

**The Hyde Park and The Regent's Park  
(Vehicle Parking) Regulations 1994**

*Made* - - - - - *24th February 1994*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *1st March 1994*

Whereas a draft of these Regulations has been laid before Parliament, a period of forty days has expired, and neither House has resolved that the Regulations be not made:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(1) of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1926(1) and now vested in him(2), and by section 62 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(3) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Hyde Park and The Regent's Park (Vehicle Parking) Regulations 1994 and shall come into force on 1st March 1994.

**Interpretation**

2. In these Regulations

“constable” includes a park constable within the meaning of section 3 of the Parks Regulation Act 1872(4);

“long-term” means a continuous period not exceeding four hours;

“official notice” means a notice exhibited by or on behalf of the Secretary of State;

“Park” means either Hyde Park or The Regent's Park as the case may be;

“parking place” means a place shown on an official notice as being appointed under these Regulations for the time being by the Secretary of State as a place for either long-term or short-term parking for vehicles;

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(1) 1926 c. 36.

(2) 1942 c. 23; S.R. & O. 1945/991; S.I. 1962/1549, 1970/1681.

(3) 1984 c. 27.

(4) 1872 c. 15; as amended by section 2 of, and para 1 of the Schedule to, the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1974 (c. 29).

“parking ticket” means a ticket, obtained for the parking of the vehicle in question from a machine located by authority of the Secretary of State in the Park in which the vehicle is parked or from a person authorised to dispense a ticket by the Secretary of State, which shows the charge paid and the period in respect of which the charge has been paid;

“short-term” means a continuous period not exceeding two hours;

“valid parking ticket” means a parking ticket showing as the period in respect of which the charge has been paid a period comprising the entire period during which the vehicle remains parked;

“vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads.

### **Times when parking ticket is required**

3. No person shall allow a vehicle to remain parked in a parking place in—
  - (a) Hyde Park at any time between 08.30 hours and 18.30 hours on Mondays to Saturdays inclusive, or
  - (b) The Regent’s Park at any time between 09.00 hours and 18.30 hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive or 09.00 hours and 13.30 hours on Saturdays

unless a valid parking ticket is displayed in the vehicle in such a way that it is clearly visible to a person outside the vehicle.

### **Duration of permitted parking**

4. During periods when the display of a valid parking ticket is required by regulation 3 no person shall allow a vehicle to remain parked in Hyde Park or The Regent’s Park for more than two continuous hours when in a short-term parking place or for more than four continuous hours when in a long-term parking place.

### **Restriction on parking in Outer Circle of The Regent’s Park**

5. No person shall allow a vehicle to remain parked in the area of The Regent’s Park known as the Outer Circle at any time between 05.00 hours and 09.00 hours on any day.

### **Charge for a parking ticket**

6. The charge for a parking ticket shall be £1.50 per hour or part thereof.

### **Excess charge**

7.—(1) An excess charge of £30 shall be payable, in accordance with paragraph (2), in respect of any vehicle which is allowed to remain parked in contravention of regulation 3 or 4.

(2) The excess charge shall be paid to the Secretary of State, or to a person authorised by the Secretary of State to receive such charge on his behalf, by the person who parked the vehicle in the Park within 14 days of the date of a written demand for the same.

(3) Payment of the excess charge in accordance with paragraph (2) shall preclude proceedings being commenced for contravention of regulation 3 or 4.

### **General**

8.—(1) Where a constable has reasonable grounds to believe that a person has contravened any one or more of these Regulations that person shall give on demand his name and address to that constable.

(2) Where in any proceedings for a contravention of regulation 7(2) it is proved that the amount which has become due, or any part of that amount, has not been duly paid the court shall order the payment of the sum not paid and any sum so ordered to be paid shall be recoverable as a penalty.

(3) Nothing in these Regulations shall be taken to authorise any act which is prohibited under the Royal and other Parks and Gardens Regulations 1977<sup>(5)</sup>.

24th February 1994

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations introduce charges for the parking of vehicles in short-term (2 hours) and long-term (4 hours) parking places in Hyde Park and The Regent's Park during the times referred to in regulation 3. Within those times vehicles may only be parked in such places if a valid parking ticket is displayed. The charge for parking is £1.50 per hour or part thereof. If a vehicle is parked for longer than the permitted short-term or long-term period or if it fails to display a valid parking ticket the person who parked the vehicle will be subject to an excess charge of £30. The Regulations also prohibit parking in the Outer Circle of The Regent's Park during the hours referred to in regulation 5.