

SCHEDULE 1

Article 5

MODIFICATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF PART II OF THE ROAD  
TRAFFIC ACT 1991 APPLIED IN RELATION TO THE PARKING AREA

- 1.—(1) Section 66 shall be modified as follows.
  - (2) In subsection (1) the words “in a designated parking place” shall be omitted.
  - (3) Subsection (2) shall be omitted.
  - (4) In subsection (3)—
    - (a) in paragraph (d) for the words “the specified proportion” there shall be substituted “one half”; and
    - (b) in paragraph (e) for the words “the London authority” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
  - (5) Subsection (4) shall be omitted.
  - (6) In subsection (5) for paragraph (b) there shall be substituted—

“(b) the parking authority.”
- 2.—(1) Section 69 shall be modified as follows.
  - (2) For subsection (1) there shall be substituted—

“(1) Where, in the case of a stationary vehicle, a parking attendant has reason to believe that it has been allowed to remain at rest in any of the circumstances in which a penalty charge is payable under this Act, he or another person acting under his direction may fix an immobilisation device to the vehicle.”
  - (3) For subsection (8) there shall be substituted—

“(8) In this section “relevant authority” means the parking authority.”
- 3.—(1) Section 71 shall be modified as follows.
  - (2) In subsection (1) for the words “a London authority” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
  - (3) For subsection (4) there shall be substituted—

“(4) The grounds are—
    - (a) that there were no reasonable grounds for the parking attendant concerned to believe that the vehicle had been permitted to remain at rest in the parking area in circumstances in which a penalty charge was payable;
    - (b) that the vehicle had been permitted to remain at rest in the place where it was by a person who was in control of the vehicle without the consent of the owner;
    - (c) that the place where the vehicle was at rest was not in the parking area;
    - (d) in a case within subsection (1)(d) above, that, by virtue of an exemption given by section 70 of this Act, section 69 did not apply to the vehicle in question; or
    - (e) that the penalty or other charge in question exceeded the amount applicable in the circumstances of the case.”
- 4.—(1) Section 73 shall be modified as follows.
  - (2) For subsections (1) to (3) there shall be substituted—

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“(1) The functions conferred on the parking authorities by this section shall be discharged by them through a joint committee (“the Joint Committee”) which has been set up in pursuance of arrangements entered into under section 101(5) of the Local Government Act 1972<sup>(1)</sup> and of which the parking authorities and at least two other local authorities are constituent authorities.

(2) In subsection (1) “local authorities” means authorities which are county or district councils in England or county or county borough councils in Wales in whose areas permitted parking areas or special parking areas have been designated under Schedule 3 to this Act.

(3) The parking authorities shall—

- (a) with the consent of the Lord Chancellor appoint persons to act as parking adjudicators for the purposes of this Act in relation to the parking area;
- (b) provide or secure the provision of accommodation and administrative staff for parking adjudicators so appointed; and
- (c) determine the places at which such parking adjudicators are to sit.”

(3) In subsection (5) for the words “the London authorities” there shall be substituted “the parking authorities”.

(4) Subsections (8) to (10) shall be omitted.

(5) After subsection (12) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(12A) The Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999<sup>(2)</sup> shall apply to the parking area as they apply to the areas designated by the Orders listed in the Schedule to those Regulations.”

5. For section 74 there shall be substituted the following section—

(1) It shall be the duty of the parking authority to set the levels of additional parking charges to apply in the parking area.

(2) Different levels may be set for different parts of the parking area.

(3) The levels of additional parking charges set by the parking authority under this section shall accord with guidance given by the Secretary of State whether such guidance is given specifically to the parking authority or to local authorities generally.

(4) Guidance given by the Secretary of State under subsection (3) above may be varied at any time by the Secretary of State.

(5) The parking authority shall publish, in such manner as the Secretary of State may determine, the levels of additional parking charges which have been set under this section.

(6) In this section “additional parking charges” means penalty charges, charges made by the parking authority for the removal, storage and disposal of vehicles and charges for the release of vehicles from immobilisation devices fixed under section 69 of this Act.”

6.—(1) Section 78 shall be modified as follows.

(2) After subsection (7) there shall be inserted the following subsection—

“(8) Any order made under subsection (2), and any regulations made under subsection (4), of this section shall apply with necessary modifications, including in particular the substitution for references to a London authority of references to the parking authority, in relation to the recovery of Part II debts payable in relation to the parking area.”

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(1) 1972 c. 70.  
(2) S.I.1999/1918.

7.—(1) Section 82 shall be modified as follows.

(2) For subsection (1) there shall be substituted—

“(1) In this section and sections 66, 69 to 74, 78 and 79 of, and Schedule 6 to, this Act—

“immobilisation device” has the same meaning as in section 104(9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“the Joint Committee” has the meaning given by section 73(1) of this Act;

“the parking area” means the area designated as a permitted parking area and as a special parking area by the Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (County of Kent) (Borough of Ashford) Order 2000;

“parking attendant” has the same meaning as in section 63A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“parking authority” means—

(a) in relation to a parking place which was provided or authorised under section 32(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the local authority as defined by section 32(4)(3) in relation to the parking place;

(b) in any other case, the traffic authority (other than the Secretary of State) as defined by section 121A of that Act;

and references to “the parking authorities” are to the Kent County Council and the Ashford Borough Council;

“penalty charge” means a penalty charge which is payable by virtue of paragraph 3(1) and (2) of Schedule 3 to this Act;

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State; and

“vehicle hiring agreement” and “vehicle-hire firm” have the same meanings as in section 66 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988(3) (hired vehicles).”

(3) In subsection (5) for the words “the London authority concerned” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.

8.—(1) Schedule 6 shall be modified as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1(1) for the words “the London authority concerned” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.

(3) In paragraph 2—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1) for the words “the London authority who served the notice on him” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (2) for the words “in such form as” to the end of the sub-paragraph there shall be substituted “in writing”;

(c) in sub-paragraph (3) for the words “The authority” there shall be substituted “The parking authority”;

(d) in sub-paragraph (4) for paragraph (c) there shall be substituted—

“(c) that the vehicle has been permitted to remain at rest in the parking area by a person who was in control of the vehicle without the consent of the owner;”;

(e) in sub-paragraph (7) for the words “an authority to whom representations are duly made” there shall be substituted “the parking authority when representations are duly made to it”.

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(3) 1988 c. 53.

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- (4) In paragraph 3 for the words “the London authority concerned” in both places where they occur there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
- (5) In paragraph 4 for the words “the London authority concerned” and for the words “the authority” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
- (6) In paragraph 5—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (1) for the words “an authority” there shall be substituted “the parking authority” and for the words “the authority’s decision” there shall be substituted “the parking authority’s decision”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (2) for the words “the London authority concerned” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”; and
  - (c) for sub-paragraph (3) there shall be substituted—

“(3) It shall be the duty of the parking authority to comply with any direction given to it under sub-paragraph (2) above.”
- (7) In paragraph 6—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (1) for the words “the authority serving the notice” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b)(ii) for the words “the authority concerned” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
- (8) In paragraph 7, for the words “the authority concerned” there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.
- (9) In paragraph 8—
  - (a) in sub-paragraphs (2)(b) and (5)(d) for the words “the London authority concerned” in both places where they occur there shall be substituted “the parking authority”; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraphs (6) and (7) for the words “the London authority” in both places where they occur there shall be substituted “the parking authority”.