

ROAD TRAFFIC.**Mechanical Signals.**

THE ROAD TRAFFIC (MECHANICAL SIGNALS) REGULATIONS, 1930,
DATED THE 18TH JULY, 1930, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF
HOME AFFAIRS.

1930. No. 94.

WHEREAS it is enacted in effect by Section 8 (1) of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1929, that the Ministry of Home Affairs shall have power to make Regulations with respect to the use of vehicles of any kind whatsoever on public highways (including roadways to which the provisions of the Motor Vehicles (Traffic and Regulations) Act (Northern Ireland), 1926, apply) and for the control of traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian, thereon, including control by means of mechanically worked signals :

And whereas it appears expedient to the said Ministry that Regulations for the control of traffic on public highways by means of mechanically worked signals should be made :

Now, therefore, the Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 8 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1929, hereby makes the following Regulations for the control of traffic on public highways by means of mechanically worked signals :—

1. Where, for the control of traffic, any automatic or other mechanical signal has been erected with the approval of the Ministry of Home Affairs at any crossing on a road or street, the driver of every vehicle approaching such crossing shall instantly comply with the indications or directions of such signal in manner following, that is to say :—

- (i) When the signal shows a Red Light or the word " Stop " the driver of every vehicle proceeding towards the Red Light or the word " Stop " shall cause the vehicle to stop and remain stationary as near as reasonably practicable to the Stop Line Barrier marked on the road or street on the left hand or near side of the approach to the crossing, and no such driver shall cause or permit his vehicle to pass across such Stop Line Barrier while the Red Light or the word " Stop " continues to be shown ;
- (ii) When the signal shows an Amber Light every such driver who is facing towards the Amber Light shall prepare to cause his vehicle to move forward, but no driver shall cause or permit his vehicle to pass across

the Stop Line Barrier marked on the road or street on the left hand or near side of the approach to the crossing until the signal shows a Green Light or the word "Go" instead of the Amber Light ;

- (iii) As soon as the signal shows a Green Light or the word "Go" every driver facing towards the Green Light or the word "Go" shall cause his vehicle to move forward and to continue to move until it is out of the crossing, unless it is necessary for him to cause it to stop for the purpose of avoiding an accident or on account of some other emergency or, for the purpose of making a right hand turn in manner hereinafter provided, or unless he is required to stop by the direction of a police constable ;
- (iv) Where the driver of a vehicle, who is required by the foregoing provisions of these Regulations to cause his vehicle to move forward by reason of a Green Light or the word "Go" being shown, intends to make a right hand turn, he shall cause the vehicle to move forward slowly along the centre of the road or street to the middle of the intersection or road junction and await an opportunity to pass through the approaching line of traffic, but before doing so he shall give a signal which shall clearly indicate to the front and to the rear that he intends to make a right hand turn ;
- (v) Where the driver of a vehicle, who is required to stop the vehicle by reason of a Red Light or the word "Stop" being shown, intends to make a left hand turn, he shall, subject to the foregoing provisions of these Regulations, cause the vehicle to take up its position as near as reasonably practicable to the footpath or kerbstone on the left hand or near side of the road or street, and on a Green Light or the word "Go" being shown by the signal he shall cause the vehicle to move slowly round the left hand corner at the crossing, keeping the vehicle as near as reasonably practicable to the footpath or kerbstone on the left hand or near side of the road or street ;

2. Where any automatic or other mechanical signal has been erected as aforesaid at any crossing on a road or street, no pedestrian shall cross the road or street at the crossing while the Signal shows a Red Light or the word "Stop" in the direction contrary to that towards which he intends to proceed.

3.—(1) In these Regulations the expression "vehicle" means any mechanically propelled vehicle, vehicle drawn by an animal, cycle, invalid carriage or vehicle propelled by hand.

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

4. These Regulations may be cited as The Road Traffic (Mechanical Signals) Regulations, 1930.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 18th day of July, 1930.

(L.S.)

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Secretary.

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CERTIFICATE OF THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS THAT SATISFACTORY PROVISION IS MADE BY THE LAW OF GREAT BRITAIN FOR THE GRANTING OF LICENCES TO DRIVE MOTOR CARS.

1930. No. 159.

WHEREAS by Sub-section (1) of Section 1 of The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1930, it is enacted as follows :—

If the Minister of Home Affairs certifies that satisfactory provision is made by the law of Great Britain for the granting of licences to drive motor cars, it shall be lawful for the holder of such a licence to drive and be employed in driving in Northern Ireland a motor car of a class or description which he is authorised by that licence to drive, and which he is not disqualified from driving under the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Acts (Northern Ireland), 1926 and 1929, or this Act, notwithstanding that he is not the holder of a licence under Section 3 of the Motor Vehicles (Traffic and Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1926, in this Act referred to as " the principal Act " :