

Road Traffic Act 1974

1974 CHAPTER 50

Amendments of Road Traffic Act 1972

6 Traffic surveys

After section 22 of the 1972 Act (drivers to comply with traffic directions) there shall be inserted the following section:—

"22A Traffic directions for purposes of traffic surveys.

- (1) If a traffic survey of any description is carried out on or in the vicinity of a road, then—
 - (a) for the purposes of section 22 of this Act, a traffic direction given by a constable to a person driving or propelling a vehicle, being a direction given for the purposes of the survey, shall be treated as a direction given by him in the execution of his duty and at a time when he is engaged in the regulation of traffic; and
 - (b) section 22 of this Act shall apply to a traffic sign by which a traffic direction is given for the purpose of the survey.
- (2) In this section "traffic direction" means a direction to stop a vehicle, to make it proceed in, or keep to, a particular line of traffic or to proceed to a particular point on or near the road on which the vehicle is being driven or propelled, but does not include a direction requiring any person to furnish any information for the purposes of a traffic survey.
- (3) In relation to a traffic direction given by a constable by virtue of this section and requiring a vehicle to proceed to a particular point, paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 22 of this Act shall have effect as if, after the words' line of traffic' there were inserted the words' or to proceed to a particular point
- (4) The power to give a traffic direction for the purposes of a traffic survey shall be so exercised as not to cause any unreasonable delay to a person who indicates that he is unwilling to furnish any information for the purposes of the survey."