

1969 No. 1487

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations
and General Directions 1969**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>17th October 1969</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>30th October 1969</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>3rd November 1969</i>

The Secretary of State and the Minister of Transport (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister"), acting jointly in exercise of their powers under section 54 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967(a) and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 107(2) of that Act, hereby make the Regulations contained in Parts I and II of this Instrument; and the Secretary of State (as respects the erection of traffic signs such as are prescribed by the said Regulations on or near roads in Scotland, Wales and Monmouthshire) and the Minister (as respects the erection of such signs on or near roads in England excluding Monmouthshire), each acting in exercise of the powers under section 75(1) of the said Act of 1967 and of all other enabling powers, hereby give the Directions contained in Parts I and III of this Instrument:—

PART I—GENERAL

Citation and commencement

1. This Instrument may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1969 and shall come into operation on the 3rd November 1969.

Revocation

2. The Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1967(b) are hereby revoked.

Savings

3.—(1) Where, immediately before the coming into operation of this Instrument—

(a) a traffic sign shown in any diagram in the Schedule to the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations 1962(c) as amended by the Traffic Signs

(a) 1967 c. 76.

(b) S.I. 1967/1890 (1967 III, p. 5169).

(c) Part I of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1962, S.I. 1962/2388 (1962 III, p. 3296).

(Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 1967(a) and then complying with the provisions thereof relating thereto, is situated on any road in conformity with the provisions of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Directions 1962(b), or those Directions as modified by the Special Direction of 1st December 1965(c) (which modified the general directions contained in the said Instrument of 1962 in relation to traffic signs indicating a maximum speed limit of 50 miles per hour on certain roads);

or

(b) a traffic sign prescribed by Regulation 3 of the Traffic Signs (Motorways Speed Limits) Regulations 1965(d) and then complying with the provisions thereof relating thereto, is situated on any road,

the sign shall, so long as it continues to comply with and conform to such of the said provisions as relate thereto as though the same had not been revoked, be treated as prescribed by the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument, and placed in conformity with the provisions of the Directions contained in Part III of this Instrument, until the 1st January 1978, except that it shall not be treated after 31st December 1970 as so prescribed unless the provisions of Regulation 4 of the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument (except paragraph (4) thereof) are complied with in relation to it and to the other signs referred to in that Regulation, or as so placed unless it complies with the provisions of paragraph 9 of the Directions contained in Part III of this Instrument.

For the purposes of Regulation 4 of the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument in its application to a sign prescribed by the said Regulations of 1962 or by Regulation 3 of the said Regulations of 1965, the signs shown in diagrams 1 and 2 in the Schedule to the said Regulations of 1962, and the signs described in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of paragraph (3) of Regulation 3 of the said Regulations of 1965 shall be treated as being signs of sizes 1 or 2 of the sizes shown in the appropriate numbered diagram set out in the Schedule to the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument, and the other signs prescribed by the said Regulations of 1962 and 1965 shall be treated as being signs of sizes 3 or 4 of the sizes shown in such diagrams.

(2) Where, immediately before the coming into operation of this Instrument a traffic sign shown in any diagram in the Schedule to the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations 1967(e) and then complying with the provisions thereof relating thereto, is situated on any road in conformity with the provisions of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) General Directions 1967(f), the sign shall, so long as it continues to comply with and conform to such of the said provisions as relate thereto as though the same had not been revoked, be treated as prescribed by the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument and placed in conformity with the provisions of the Directions contained in Part III of this Instrument.

(3) In their application to a trunk road, paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Regulation shall have effect as though any reference to a sign being situated or placed in conformity with any Directions, and any requirement for a sign to comply with any Directions, were omitted.

(a) S.I. 1967/994 (1967 II, p. 3023).

(b) Part II of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1962.

(c) This Direction being a Special Direction, did not fall to be made by statutory instrument.

(d) S.I. 1965/2085 (1965 III, p. 6135).

(e) Part II of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1967.

(f) Part III of the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1967.

Interpretation

4.—(1) In this Instrument—

“the 1967 Act” means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 as amended by Part IX of the Transport Act 1968(a).

“motorway” means any part of any special road, on and after such date as may be declared in accordance with section 13(5) of the 1967 Act to be the date on which it is open for use as a special road,—

(a) which (save as otherwise provided by or under regulations made under section 13 of the 1967 Act) can only be used by traffic of Classes I or II of the classes of traffic set out—

(i) as respects England and Wales, in Schedule 4 to the Highways Act 1959(b) as amended by the Special Roads (Classes of Traffic) Order 1961(c) and the Special Roads (Classes of Traffic) (England and Wales) Order 1968(d); and

(ii) as respects Scotland, in Schedule 2 to the Special Roads Act 1949(e) as amended by the Special Roads (Classes of Traffic) (Scotland) Order 1964(f) and the Special Roads (Classes of Traffic) (Scotland) Order 1968(g); and

(b) which is or forms part of a route to which the Minister or the Secretary of State has allocated a route number which begins with the letter “M” or ends with the letter “(M)”, or which is a slip road which leads to or from a road which is or forms part of such a route;

“on” in relation to a traffic sign stated to be situated or erected on a road or any part thereof, or required to be so situated or erected, means on or near that road or part thereof;

“road” means any length of road; and

“speed limit” means a maximum or minimum limit of speed on the driving of motor vehicles on a road—

(a) imposed by an order under section 12 (which relates to temporary restrictions for road works) of the 1967 Act;

(b) imposed by regulations under section 13 (which relates to traffic regulation on special roads) of the 1967 Act;

(c) arising by virtue of the road being restricted for the purposes of section 71 (which relates to the general speed limit for restricted roads) of the 1967 Act;

(d) imposed or deemed to have been imposed by an order under section 74 (which relates to speed limits on roads other than restricted roads) of the 1967 Act;

(e) imposed by an order under section 77 (which relates to temporary speed limits and their continuation) of the 1967 Act on a specified road; or

(f) imposed by or under any enactment contained in a local Act,

but does not include any maximum speed limit imposed on all roads other than special roads under section 77 of the 1967 Act or any other speed limit

(a) 1968 c. 73.

(c) S.I. 1961/1210 (1961 II, p. 2408).

(e) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 32.

(g) S.I. 1968/1982 (1968 III, p. 5396).

(b) 7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 25.

(d) S.I. 1968/1966 (1968 III, p. 5372).

(f) S.I. 1964/1084 (1964 II, p. 2398).

imposed by or under any of the above-mentioned enactments, or (subject to sub-paragraph (4) of this paragraph) imposed by or under any other enactment.

(2) Any reference in this Instrument to a numbered diagram is a reference to the diagram of that number set out in the Schedule to the Regulations contained in Part II of this Instrument.

(3) Any reference in this Instrument to a traffic sign shown in a numbered diagram is a reference to a sign of one of the sizes, and of the colour and type shown in that diagram, and any reference to a numbered size of traffic sign shown in a numbered diagram is a reference to a sign of that size shown in that diagram.

(4) Any reference in this Instrument to any enactment or instrument shall be construed, unless the context otherwise requires, as a reference to that enactment or instrument as amended by any subsequent enactment or instrument.

(5) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply for the interpretation of this Instrument as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if for the purposes of section 38 of that Act this Instrument were an Act of Parliament and the Instrument revoked by paragraph 2 of this Part of this Instrument were an Act of Parliament thereby repealed.

PART II—TRAFFIC SIGNS (SPEED LIMITS) REGULATIONS

Citation

1. The Regulations contained in this Part of this Instrument may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations 1969.

Speed limit signs

2. The following traffic signs are hereby prescribed to inform drivers of motor vehicles whether any, and if so what, speed limit is in force on a road—

- (a) a sign of one of the sizes, and of the colour and type shown in diagram 1 (the numerals being varied, if appropriate, and having the proportion and form shown in diagram 5) shall inform drivers of motor vehicles that a maximum speed limit is in force of the number of miles per hour shown by the numerals;
- (b) a sign of one of the sizes, and of the colour and type shown in diagram 2 (the numerals being varied, if appropriate, and having the proportion and form shown in diagram 6) shall inform drivers of motor vehicles that a minimum speed limit is in force of the number of miles per hour shown by the numerals;
- (c) a sign of one of the sizes, and of the colour and type shown in diagram 3 shall inform drivers of motor vehicles that a maximum speed limit is not in force; and
- (d) a sign of one of the sizes, and of the colour and type shown in diagram 4 (the numerals being varied, if appropriate, and having the proportion and form shown in diagram 6) shall inform drivers of motor vehicles of the end of a minimum speed limit of the number of miles per hour shown by the numerals.

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Variations in the dimensions of signs

3. Any dimension of a sign erected in accordance with the provisions of this Instrument which varies from the dimension specified in the diagram set out in the Schedule to these Regulations relating to a sign of that size shall be treated as being the dimension specified in the diagram if the variation does not exceed $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of that dimension.

Illumination of signs

4.—(1) Every terminal sign of size 1 or 2 shown in a numbered diagram, when erected on a trunk or principal road within 50 metres of a street lamp lit by electricity—

(a) shall throughout the hours of darkness be continuously illuminated by means of internal or external lighting, and may also be illuminated by the use of reflecting material, or

(b) shall throughout the hours of darkness while the street lamp is lit be continuously illuminated by means of external lighting, and shall also be illuminated by the use of reflecting material.

(2) If any sign is required by the foregoing paragraph of this Regulation to be continuously illuminated by lighting throughout the hours of darkness, or throughout such hours while a street lamp is lit, every sign shown in the same diagram as the first-mentioned sign which is erected at or near the same point on the road or the same junction for the same purpose as the first-mentioned sign shall be continuously illuminated throughout the same period by the same means of internal or external lighting as the first-mentioned sign, and, if any of the said signs is illuminated by the use of reflecting material, every other such sign shall be similarly illuminated.

(3) Any sign shown in a numbered diagram which is not required by the foregoing paragraphs of this Regulation to be illuminated by lighting throughout the hours of darkness, or throughout such hours while a street lamp is lit, may be illuminated throughout the hours of darkness by means of external or internal lighting, or throughout any period during the hours of darkness by means of external lighting and the use of reflecting material and if so illuminated paragraph (2) of this Regulation shall apply as if it were a sign required by paragraph (1) of this Regulation to be illuminated by lighting throughout the hours of darkness, or throughout such hours while a street lamp is lit.

(4) Every sign shown in a numbered diagram which is not illuminated throughout the hours of darkness by lighting shall be illuminated by the use of reflecting material.

(5) Where any sign shown in a numbered diagram is illuminated by a means of external lighting, that means shall be either fitted to the sign or to the structure on which it is mounted or otherwise specially provided.

(6) Where reflecting material is used on any sign shown in a numbered diagram it shall be the same colour as, and extend throughout, that part of the sign to which it is applied, except that no reflecting material shall be applied to any part of a sign coloured black.

(7) In this Regulation—

“principal road” means a road for the time being classified as a principal road—

(a) by the Minister in relation to England excluding Monmouthshire, or the Secretary of State in relation to Wales and Monmouthshire,

under section 27(2) of the Local Government Act 1966(a) for the purposes of advances under section 235 of the Highways Act 1959(b);

or

(b) by the Secretary of State in relation to Scotland under section 28(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966(c) for the purposes of advances under section 8 of the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act 1909(d);

“hours of darkness” means the time between half-an-hour after sunset and half-an-hour before sunrise; and

“terminal sign” means a sign erected in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 2(1) and (2), or 4, of the Directions contained in Part III of this Instrument but does not include any sign erected in accordance with paragraphs 2(3) and (4), 3 or 5 thereof.

(a) 1966 c. 42.
(c) 1966 c. 51.

(b) 7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 25.
(d) 9 Edw. 7. c. 47.

SCHEDULE

DIAGRAM 1

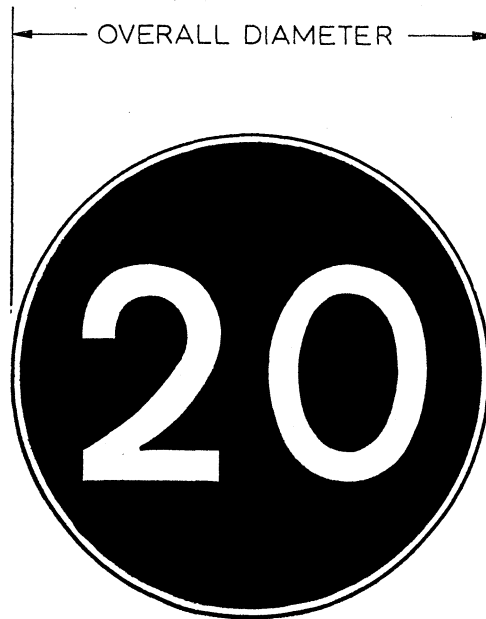
SIGN INDICATING A MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT



	SIZE 1	SIZE 2	SIZE 3	SIZE 4
OVERALL DIAMETER	900 mm	600 mm	450 mm	300 mm

DIAGRAM 2

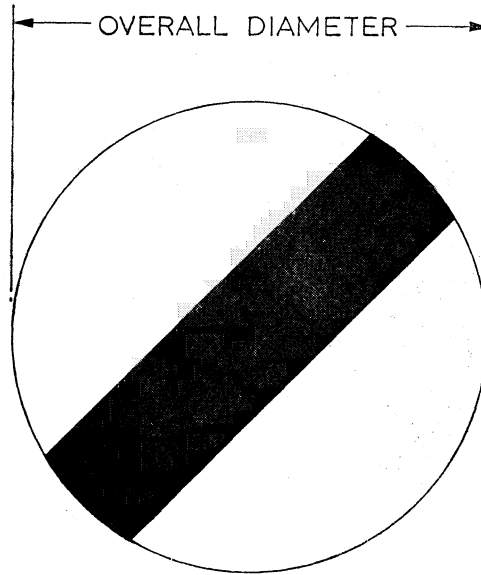
SIGN INDICATING A MINIMUM SPEED LIMIT



	SIZE 1	SIZE 2	SIZE 3	SIZE 4
OVERALL DIAMETER	900 mm	600 mm	450 mm	300 mm

DIAGRAM 3

DE-RESTRICTION SIGN—(NO MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 4(1) OF PART I OF THIS INSTRUMENT)



	SIZE 1	SIZE 2	SIZE 3	SIZE 4
OVERALL DIAMETER	900 mm	600 mm	450 mm	300 mm

DIAGRAM 4

SIGN INDICATING END OF A MINIMUM SPEED LIMIT



	SIZE 1	SIZE 2	SIZE 3	SIZE 4
OVERALL DIAMETER	900 mm	600 mm	450 mm	300 mm

DIAGRAM 5

PROPORTION AND FORM OF NUMERALS FOR USE WITH DIAGRAM 1

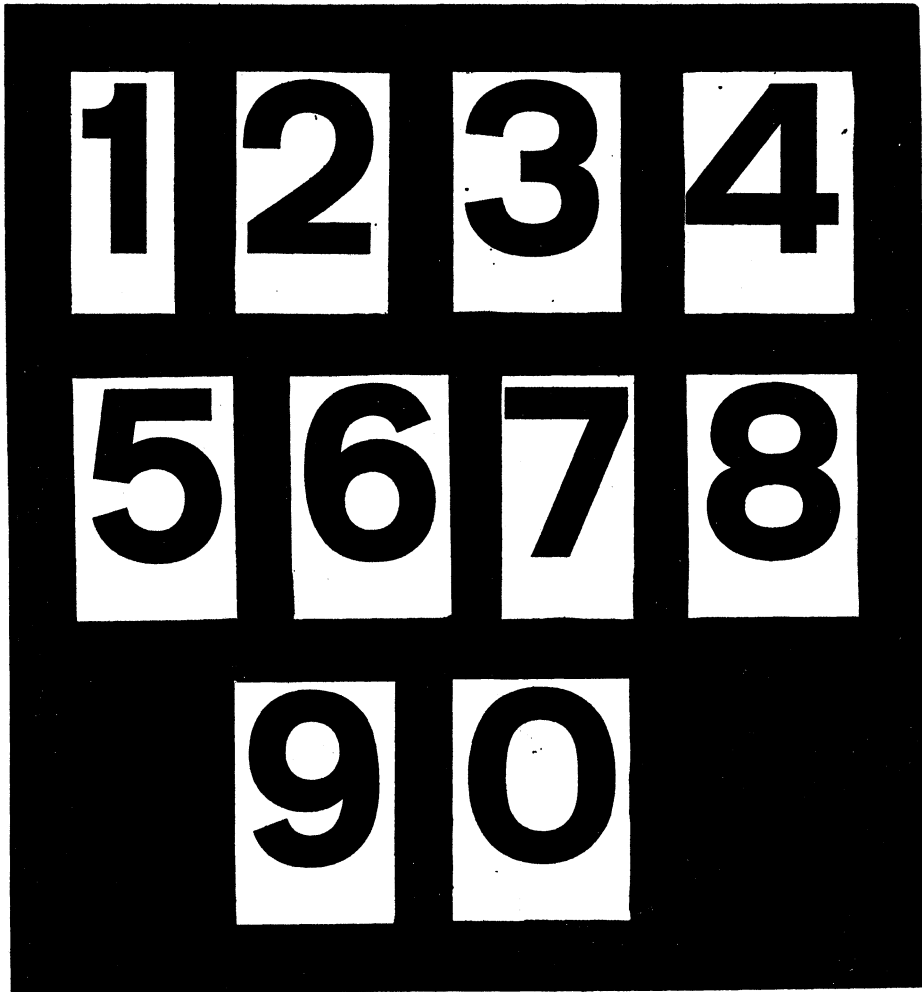
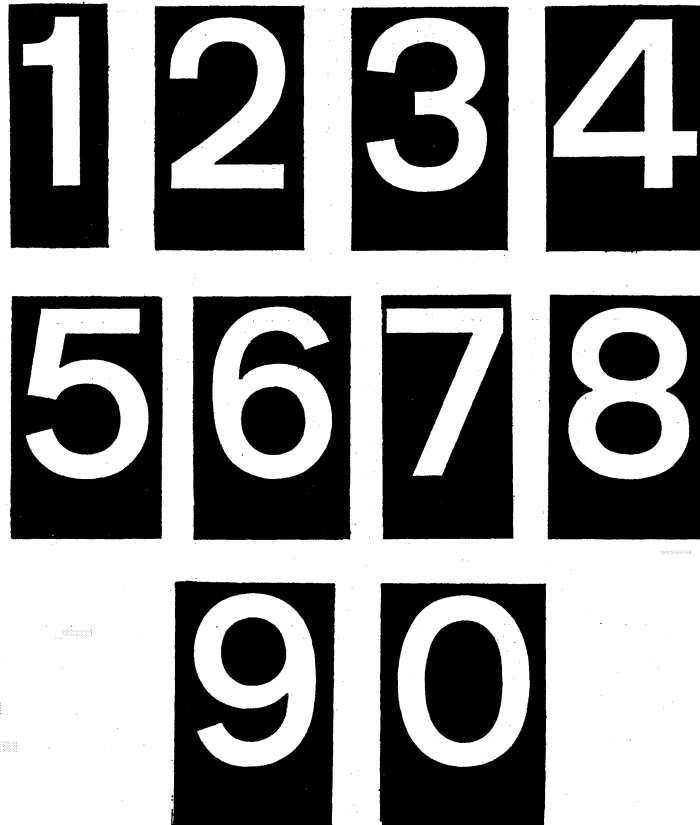


DIAGRAM 6

PROPORTION AND FORM OF NUMERALS FOR USE WITH DIAGRAMS 2 AND 4



PART III—GENERAL DIRECTIONS

1. The Directions contained in this Part of this Instrument may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) General Directions 1969.

Speed limit signs at beginning of speed limit

2.—(1) Except as provided by paragraph 8 of these Directions, there shall be erected, at or as near as practicable to the point on a road where a speed limit in force on that road begins, signs shown in diagrams 1 or 2 which indicate whether that speed limit is a maximum or minimum speed limit and what the speed limit is.

(2) One such sign shall be erected on each side of the carriageway of the road, or, where the road has more than one carriageway, on each side of each carriageway on which the speed limit begins.

(3) Where the point on a road where a speed limit in force on that road begins is a point at which it has a junction with the side of another road, and where the other road is subject either to no speed limit or to a speed limit other than that to which the first-mentioned road is subject, it shall be a sufficient compliance with this paragraph if there is erected on the first-mentioned road, not further than 20 metres from the point on that road where the speed limit in force on that road begins, a sign or signs shown in diagrams 1 or 2 which indicate whether the speed limit in force on the first-mentioned road is a maximum or a minimum speed limit and what the speed limit is.

(4) One such sign shall be erected on the side of the carriageway of the first-mentioned road being the left hand or near side when a vehicle passes from the said other road, or, where the first-mentioned road has more than one carriageway on the left hand or near side of any carriageway into which a vehicle may duly pass from the said other road.

Other speed limit signs at junctions

3.—(1) Where a road has a junction with the side of another road on which a speed limit is in force and either no speed limit is in force on the first-mentioned road or a speed limit is in force on that road which is different from the speed limit in force on the other road, there shall be erected on the first-mentioned road, not further than 20 metres from the said junction, signs shown in diagrams 1 or 2 which indicate whether the speed limit in force on the said other road is a maximum or minimum speed limit and what the speed limit is.

(2) One such sign shall be erected on each side of the carriageway of the said first-mentioned road, or, where that road has more than one carriageway, on each side of each carriageway from which a vehicle may duly pass into the said other road.

(3) Where the said other road is subject to a maximum speed limit greater than that to which the said first-mentioned road is subject, sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) of this paragraph shall not apply if there is erected on any side of that other road, on each side of the junction and not further than 100 metres from the said junction, a sign in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6 of these Directions which indicates what the maximum speed limit in force on that other road is.

Derestriction signs at end of speed limit

4.—(1) Except as provided by paragraph 8 of these Directions, there shall be erected, at or as near as practicable to the point on a road where a speed limit in force on that road ends, being a point where there is no other speed limit in force on the road, signs shown in diagram 3 where the speed limit in force is a maximum one, and signs shown in diagram 4 where the speed limit in force is a minimum one.

(2) One such sign shall be erected on each side of the carriageway of the road, or, where the road has more than one carriageway, on each side of each carriageway on which the speed limit ends.

Derestriction signs at junctions

5.—(1) Where a road has a junction with the side of another road on which a speed limit is in force and there is no speed limit in force on the first-mentioned road, there shall be erected on the first-mentioned road, not further than 20 metres from the junction, a sign or signs shown in diagram 3 where the speed limit in force is a maximum one, and a sign or signs shown in diagram 4 where the speed limit in force is a minimum one.

(2) One such sign shall be erected on the side of the carriageway of the said first-mentioned road, being the left hand or near side when a vehicle passes from the said other road or, where the first-mentioned road has more than one carriageway, on the left hand or near side of any carriageway in to which a vehicle may duly pass from the said other road.

(3) Where the said other road is not subject to any speed limit, and the said first-mentioned road is subject to a speed limit, there shall be erected on the first-mentioned road, not further than 20 metres from the said junction, signs shown in diagram 3 where the speed limit in force on the said first-mentioned road is a maximum one, and signs shown in diagram 4 where that speed limit is a minimum one.

(4) One such sign shall be erected on each side of the carriageway of the said first-mentioned road, or, where that road has more than one carriageway, on each side of each carriageway from which a vehicle may duly pass into the said other road.

Repeater signs

6.—(1) There shall be erected on and along a road specified in column 1 of the following Table on which a speed limit is in force signs shown in diagrams 1 or 2 which indicate whether the speed limit is a maximum or minimum speed limit and what the speed limit is:

Provided that:—

- (a) this sub-paragraph shall not apply to any motorway which is subject to a general speed limit which is in force on all motorways, or on all motorways other than those which are for the time being subject to a different speed limit; and
- (b) signs shown in diagram 1 shall not be erected along a road on which there is a system of street lighting furnished by means of lamps placed not more than 200 yards apart and on which a maximum speed limit of 30 miles per hour is in force.

(2) There shall be erected on and along a road on which there is a system of street lighting furnished by means of lamps placed not more than 200 yards apart and on which a speed limit is not in force, signs shown in diagram 3.

(3) The signs mentioned in the foregoing sub-paragraphs shall be erected along the carriageway of a road so mentioned, or, where the said road has more than one carriageway, along each carriageway, in such a manner that—

- (a) they are situated on each side of the carriageway, or, as the case may be, on each side of each carriageway;
- (b) the distance between any one sign on one side of a carriageway and any sign next following that sign on that side and facing in the same direction does not exceed the distance specified in column 2 of the said Table in relation to the road specified in the said column 1;
- (c) the distance between any one sign on one side of a carriageway and any sign next following that sign on the other side of that carriageway and facing in the same direction does not exceed the distance specified in column 3 of the said Table in relation to the road specified in the said column 1; and
- (d) one such sign is situated on the left or near side of the carriageway, or, as the case may be, of each carriageway, not more than the distance specified in column 4 of the said Table in relation to the road specified in the said column 1 from each end of the length of road required to be signed, as the case may be.

TABLE

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>
Type of road:	Maximum distance between consecutive signs on the same side of a carriageway:	Maximum distance between consecutive signs on alternate sides of a carriageway:	Maximum distance between end of length of road required to be signed and first repeater sign:
1. Road more than 250 metres in length on which a maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less is in force, being in the case of a road on which a maximum speed limit of 30 miles per hour is in force, a road on which a system of street lighting furnished by lamps placed 200 yards or less apart is not provided.	400 metres	250 metres	200 metres
2. Road more than 350 metres in length—	500 metres	350 metres	250 metres
(i) on which a maximum speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour but of 45 miles per hour or less is in force; or			
(ii) on which a minimum speed limit is in force; or			

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>
Type of Road:	Maximum distance between consecutive signs on the same side of a carriageway:	Maximum distance between consecutive signs on alternate sides of a carriageway:	Maximum distance between end of length of road required to be signed and first repeater sign:
(iii) on which there is a system of street lighting furnished by means of lamps placed not more than 200 yards apart, and on which a speed limit is not in force.			
3. Road more than 450 metres in length, on which a maximum speed limit of more than 45 miles per hour but of 55 miles per hour or less is in force.	700 metres	450 metres	350 metres
4. Road more than 500 metres in length on which a maximum speed limit of more than 55 miles per hour but of 65 miles per hour or less is in force.	800 metres	500 metres	400 metres
5. Road more than 600 metres in length on which a maximum speed limit of more than 65 miles per hour but of 75 miles per hour or less is in force.	900 metres	600 metres	450 metres
6. Road more than 700 metres in length on which a maximum speed limit of more than 75 miles per hour is in force.	1000 metres	700 metres	500 metres

Size of signs

7. The size of any sign erected in accordance with the provisions of these Directions shall not be smaller than the size specified in the following Table for the type of road on which the sign is erected—

TABLE

Type of road:	Signs at beginning and end of speed limit:	Signs at junctions:	Repeater signs:
1. (a) All motorways.	Size 1	Size 2	Size 3
(b) Dual carriageway roads over 1 kilometre in length where the width of one of the carriageways is 8 metres or more at the point where the speed limit begins.			
2. Other dual carriageway roads over 1 kilometre in length.	Size 1	Size 3	Size 4
3. All other roads.	Size 2	Size 3	Size 4

Exceptions

8. Where a speed limit in force on a road begins or ends—

- (a) at a point where the road begins or ends, being a point where it has no junction with another road; or
- (b) at a point where the road has a junction with another road on which a speed limit is also in force and the maximum or minimum of speed applicable by virtue of both speed limits is the same,

paragraphs 2 or 4 of these Directions shall not apply as respects the erection of a sign at or near to that point.

Colouring of sign post and back of sign

9.—(1) Where a traffic sign in a numbered diagram is mounted on a post specially provided for the purpose that part of the post which extends above ground level shall be coloured grey except—

- (a) in a case where the post is constructed of concrete and in this event it shall remain in its natural colour; or
- (b) in any other case where the post is not likely to be readily visible to pedestrians and in this case the post shall be coloured grey and have one white band of between 140 millimetres and 160 millimetres in depth, the lower edge of the band being between 1.5 metres and 1.7 metres above the level of the surface of the ground in the immediate vicinity.

(2) The back of any sign shown in a numbered diagram and any fitting provided for the assembly of such a sign, including any container enclosing apparatus for the illumination of the sign, shall be coloured grey.

Special cases

10. Nothing in these Directions shall limit the power of the Minister or the Secretary of State by any special Direction to dispense with, add to or modify any of the requirements of these Directions in their application to any particular case.

Dated the 16th October 1969.

William Ross,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Dated the 16th October 1969.

George Thomas,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 17th October 1969.

(L.S.)

Fred Mulley,
Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Instrument.)

This Instrument re-enacts with modifications the Traffic Signs (Speed Limits) Regulations and General Directions 1967.

The principal changes are:—

- (1) the overall diameter of a speed limit sign is the only measurement which is now prescribed in relation to a speed limit sign (Regulation 2 in Part II and diagrams 1 to 4 in the Schedule to Part II);
- (2) an additional size of sign is now prescribed for each of the four speed limit signs. The new size has a diameter of 450 millimetres (Regulation 2 in Part II and diagrams 1 to 4 in the Schedule to Part II);
- (3) the requirement that certain speed limit signs must be illuminated by internal or external lighting at night is now limited to "terminal" signs on trunk and principal roads. "Terminal" signs are defined for this purpose as those which are not at side road junctions. The period for complying with the requirement to illuminate these terminal signs has been extended by one year to the 31st December 1970. Other speed limit signs, which need not be illuminated by external or internal lighting, must be reflectorised by the end of 1977. (Para. 3(1) in Part I and Regulation 4 in Part II);
- (4) where a road joins the side of another road, and the side road is subject to a different maximum speed limit, it is now only necessary to erect one sign showing the side road limit on the left-hand side facing vehicles entering the side road at that junction (Para. 2(3) & (4) in Part III);
- (5) where a main road has a higher limit than a side road, there is no need to erect any signs showing the limit on the main road if there is a repeater sign showing that limit on each side of the junction within 100 metres of the junction. If there are no such repeaters or if the limit on the main road is lower than that on the side road, or if the main road is unrestricted, signs must be put up on both sides of the side road to indicate whether or not there is a limit on the main road and if so what it is (Paras. 2, 3, 5(3) & 5(4) in Part III);
- (6) speed limit and derestriction signs at junctions may now be erected on any convenient structure within 20 metres of the junction (Paras. 2(3), 3(1), 5(1) & 5(3) in Part III);
- (7) where, on a motorway, there is a system of street lighting furnished by means of lamps placed not more than 200 yards apart, but there is no speed limit in force except a general one, repeater signs indicating the general speed limit need no longer be erected (Para. 6(1) in Part III); and
- (8) the erection of 30 miles per hour repeater signs where there is a system of street lighting with the lamps not more than 200 yards apart is now expressly prohibited (Para. 6(1) in Part III).

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