

Devon County Council (Various Roads, Exeter) (Bus Lane) Order 2025

Devon County Council makes this order under sections 1, 2, 4, part IV of schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“Act”) and of all other enabling powers

- 1 This order comes into force 18th July 2025 and may be cited as “Devon County Council (Various Roads, Exeter) (Bus Lane) Order 2025”
- 2 In this order a reference to an article or schedule refers to the corresponding article or schedule in this order unless otherwise stated
approved bus lane user signs mean the signs issued and displayed as required by Exeter City Council
bus means a vehicle which is adapted to carry more than 8 passengers
bus lane means such areas of carriageway specified within this order which are bounded by the kerbline of that road and on the other side by the road marking complying with diagrams 1048.4 and 1049 in schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 broken only by a gap opposite a junction with another road or an accessway, by a pedestrian crossing for foot passengers marked on the road in accordance with regulations made under section 25 of the Act or by a street refuge
disabled person’s badge has the same meaning as in The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (England) Regulations 2000
disabled person’s vehicle has the same meaning as in The Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000
hackney carriage has the same meaning as in section 38(1) of the Vehicles Excise Act 1971
heavy commercial vehicle or **HGV** has the same meaning as in section 138(1) of the Act
pedal cycle means a pedal bicycle or pedal tricycle not being in either case a motor vehicle
private hire vehicle means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted to seat fewer than 8 passengers other than a hackney carriage or public service vehicle which is provided for hire with the services of a driver for the purpose of carrying passengers
relevant position is as defined in regulation 4 of the Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000
roof sign means a sign mounted on the roof of a hackney carriage showing the word “taxi” and which may be capable of being illuminated
times of operation mean the times which a bus lane shall apply as specified in the title of the relevant schedule within this order
for the purposes of this order a vehicle shall be deemed to wait for more than 2 minutes in the same place if any one part of the road is below any part of the vehicle or any load throughout a period exceeding 2 minutes whether or not the vehicle is moved during that period
- 3 Devon County Council (Various Roads, Exeter) (Bus Lane) Order 2014 is revoked
- 4 Save as provided in articles 5 to 9 no person shall except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform cause or permit a vehicle other than a bus to enter, proceed or wait in a bus lane, during the times of operation, otherwise than for the purpose of crossing it

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- a) Nothing in article 4 applies to the lengths of road specified in schedule 1 if that vehicle is –
 - i) a licensed hackney carriage displaying approved bus lane user signs and a roof sign
 - ii) a licensed private hire vehicle displaying approved bus lane user signs
 - iii) a heavy commercial vehicle
 - b) Nothing in article 4 applies to the lengths of road specified in schedules 2 and 3 if that vehicle is –
 - i) a pedal cycle
 - ii) a licensed hackney carriage displaying approved bus lane user signs and a roof sign
 - iii) a licensed private hire vehicle displaying approved bus lane user signs
 - iv) a heavy commercial vehicle
 - c) Nothing in article 4 applies to the lengths of road specified in schedules 4, 5, 6 and 7 if that vehicle is –
 - i) a pedal cycle
 - ii) a licensed hackney carriage displaying approved bus lane user signs and a roof sign
 - iii) a licensed private hire vehicle displaying approved bus lane user signs
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- Nothing in this order renders it unlawful for any person to cause or permit a vehicle to enter or proceed in any direction in a bus lane so far as such entry or proceeding is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in article 7 or to wait in the bus lane for so long as may be necessary for any of those purposes
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- The purposes referred to in article 6 are the removal of an obstruction to traffic and police, fire or ambulance purposes
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- Nothing in this order makes it unlawful for a person to allow a vehicle to enter or proceed in the direction of traffic in a bus lane so far as such entry or proceeding is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in article 9 to wait in the bus lane for so long as may be necessary for any of those purposes
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- The purposes referred to in article 8 are
- a) in the service of any local authority or water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties or in connection with the supply of gas or electricity or telecommunications apparatus as defined in schedule 2 of the Telecommunications Act 1984
 - b) the avoidance of an accident
 - c) the gaining of access to or egress from off-street loading or garaging premises adjacent to or accessibly only from the bus lane
 - d) the boarding or alighting of a disabled person from a disabled person's vehicle on which a disabled person's badge is being displayed in the relevant position
 - e) the loading or unloading of goods or burden at premises adjacent to or accessible only from the bus lane **provided** that such loading or unloading can be reasonably carried out only from the bus lane and that it takes place only while no prohibition of loading and unloading in the bus lane by virtue of an order is in force

SCHEDULE 1

RESERVED BUS LANE (24 HOURS, ALL DAYS)

with exemptions for HGV's, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)

Lengths of road in the City of Exeter

Exe Bridge South	east side (southbound)	from its junction with Western Way to its junction with Alphington Street
Western Way	south side (westbound)	from a point 58 metres west of its junction with Preston Street (after Pelican crossing) to its junction with Commercial Road

SCHEDULE 2

RESERVED BUS LANE (24 HOURS, ALL DAYS)

with exemptions for cycles, HGVs, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)

Lengths of road in the City of Exeter

Barrack Road	east side (southwest bound)	from its junction with Gras Lawn south to a point 55 metres north of its junction with Topsham Road
Heavitree Road	north side (eastbound)	from a point 60 metres east of its junction with Gladstone Road to a point 90 metres east of its junction with Grendon Road
Heavitree Road	south side (westbound)	from a point 42 metres west of its junction with Spicer Road to a point 70 metres west of its junction with Denmark Road
Topsham Road	north side (southeast bound)	from its junction with Buckerell Avenue south eastwards to its junction with Burnthouse Lane
Topsham Road	south side (northwest bound)	from a point approximately 170m south east from its junction with Burnthouse Lane to its junction with Burnthouse Lane

SCHEDULE 3 RESERVED BUS LANE 7AM-10AM MONDAY-SATURDAY
with exemptions for cycles, HGVs, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)
Length of road in the City of Exeter

Honiton Road	south side (westbound)	From a point 45 metres east of its junction with Lower Hill Barton Road to a point 42 metres east of its junction with Ringswell Avenue in a westerly direction
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SCHEDULE 4 RESERVED BUS LANE (24 HOURS, ALL DAYS)
with exemptions for cycles, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)
Length of road in the City of Exeter

Pinhoe Road	south side (westbound)	from the eastern boundary of St Marks Church to a point 30 metres west of that boundary
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SCHEDULE 5 RESERVED BUS LANE 7AM-10AM MONDAY-SATURDAY
with exemptions for cycles, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)
Lengths of road in the City of Exeter

Pinhoe Road	south side (westbound)	from a point 4 metres east of the boundary between property no's 309 and 311 Pinhoe Road to a point 67 metres east of its junction with Beacon Lane
Pinhoe Road	south side (westbound)	from Tarbet Avenue westwards to its junction with St Marks Avenue

SCHEDULE 6 RESERVED BUS LANE 7AM-10AM & 4PM-7PM MONDAY-FRIDAY
with exemptions for cycles, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)
Length of road in the City of Exeter

Fore Street, Heavitree	south side (westbound)	from a point 62 metres west of its junction with Butts Road to a point 54 metres east of its junction with Church Street in a westerly direction
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SCHEDULE 7 **RESERVED BUS LANE 8.00AM-9.15AM MONDAY-FRIDAY**
with exemptions for cycles, taxis and private hire vehicles (permit holders)
Length of road in the City of Exeter

Cowick Street	north side (eastbound)	from a point 120 metres east of its junction with Prospect Place to its junction with Buller Road
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SCHEDULE 8 **RESERVED BUS LANE (24 HOURS, ALL DAYS)**
Length of road in the City of Exeter

Preston Street	northeast side (southwest bound)	from a point 38 metres north east of its junction with Western Way to its junction with Western Way
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dated 25th June 2025

The COMMON SEAL of)
Devon County Council)
was hereunto affixed)
in the presence of)


MEGAN CROSS

duly authorised signatory



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