

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**  
**NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**FORE STREET, ST MARY'S CHARE, ST MARY'S WYND HEXHAM PEDESTRIAN AND**  
**CYCLE ZONE (PROHIBITIONS OF WAITING) EXPERIMENTAL ORDER 2020**  
**(TRO\_023)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Northumberland County Council (herein referred to as "the Council") have made the above-named Order under the provisions of Section 1(1), Section 9 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act").

The effect of the Experimental Order, which will come into force on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 until the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022 will be to introduce the following restrictions on the lengths of highway described below:

1. Pedestrian and Cycle Zone – no person shall, except on the direction of or with the permission of a police constable in uniform cause or permit any vehicle to proceed along the lengths of highway specified below - At Any Time
2. Waiting – no person shall, except on the direction of or with the permission of a police constable in uniform or upon displaying a Parking Dispensation, cause or permit any vehicle to wait along the lengths of highway specified below- At Any Time
3. Load or Unload – along the lengths of highway specified below- Proscribed Hours - 4pm until 10am everyday

Ref No	Town	Street	Side	Description
023_001	Hexham	Fore Street	Both	For its whole length
023_002	Hexham	St Mary's Chare	Both	For its whole length
023_003	Hexham	St Mary's Wynd	Both	From its junction with St Mary's Chare westwards for a distance of 14 metres

Exemptions are included in the Order for the following:

1. To enable an Emergency Vehicle when used in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
2. Motability scooters also known as an "invalid carriage" in accordance with section 136(5) of the Act;
3. To enable the vehicle to be used in connection with any of the following operations namely:
  - 3.1 Any building operation or demolition; or
  - 3.2 The removal of any obstruction to traffic; or
  - 3.3 The maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of that length of highway; or
  - 3.4 The laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near that length of highway of any sewer or of any main pipe, or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, electricity or any telecommunications apparatus as defines in paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984; or

3.5 To enable a vehicle to be used in the service of a local authority or water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties if the vehicle cannot be used for such purpose without stopping on the length of highway.

4. To enable the vehicle to be used by the highways engineer for highways work being undertaken on behalf of the council;
5. To enable the vehicle to be used for the purpose of delivering or collecting postal packages as defined in Section 87 of the Post Office Act, 1953;
6. If the vehicle is waiting owing to the driver being required by law to stop; or being prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond his control.
7. To enable the vehicle to be used for a purpose authorised and described on a Parking Dispensation issued in accordance with this Order.
8. To enable a vehicle to load and unload during the hours of 4pm until 10am everyday.

A copy of the Experimental Order together with a map showing the roads involved and Statement of the Council's Reasons for Making the Order is available to view or download on the NCC Website <https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Highways/Roads/Traffic.aspx#4trafficregulationorders> or by email to [HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk). Alternatively if copy documents are required please contact Northumberland County Council Information Centre on Telephone Number: 0345 600 6400 during normal office hours quoting reference: **(TRO\_023)**

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Act or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder have not been complied with in relation to the Order you may within six weeks from the date on which the Order was made apply to the High Court for that purpose.

During the period that the Order remains in force the Council will consider if it should remain in force permanently. Within the period of six months from the coming into force of the Order, or if the Order is subsequently varied by another Order or modified pursuant to Section 10(2) of the Act, from the coming into force of that variation or modification (whichever is the latest), any person may object to the making of the Order to continue indefinitely by sending a statement in writing of their objection or representation and the grounds thereof to the undersigned, at the address shown below.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2020.

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