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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984

BOROUGH OF READING

(KINGS ROAD INBOUND BUS LANE)

(EXPERIMENTAL) TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2019

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**THE BOROUGH OF READING (KING'S ROAD INBOUND BUS LANE) (EXPERIMENTAL)**  
**TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2019**

The Reading Borough Council (hereinafter referred to as "The Council"), pursuant to its powers under Sections 9 and 10 to The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (The Act of 1984) and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act of 1984, hereby make the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as "The Borough of Reading (King's Road Inbound Bus Lane) (Experimental) Traffic Regulation Order 2019" and shall come into operation on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019 for a period of eighteen months from that date.

**PART I**  
**GENERAL**

2. Section 10(2) of the Act shall apply to this Order and the specified officer for the purposes of Section 10(2) of the Act shall be the Head of Transport.
3. Definitions

In this Order:-

"Authorised Vehicle" means a Hackney Carriage or a Private Hire Vehicle which is licenced by Reading Borough Council.

"Bus" has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016;

"Bus Lane" has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 of the Traffic Signs and General Directions 2016 (which also includes sign nos. 953, 958, 959 or approved variants);

"Carriageway" means a way constituting or comprised in a highway being a way (other than a cycle track) over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles;

"Civil Enforcement Officer" has the same meaning as in section 76 of the Act of 2004;

"Cycle" means a bicycle, tricycle, or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case a motor vehicle;

"Goods" means goods or burden of any description and includes postal packets of any description;

"Hackney Carriage" means a vehicle licensed under Section 37 of the Town Police Clauses Act 1847, Section 6 of the Metropolitan Carriage Act 1869 or any similar enactment;

"Licensed Hire Car" means a vehicle used as private hire and licensed under S.48 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976;

"Motor Cycle" and "Invalid Carriage" have the same meanings as in Section 136 of the Road Traffic Act of 1984;

"Passenger Vehicle" means a motor vehicle (other than a motor cycle or invalid carriage) not exceeding 5.30m in length and 2.25m in height and constructed for the carriage of passengers and their effects;

"Private Hire Vehicle" means a vehicle licensed under S.48 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 as a Licensed Hire Car;

"Taxi" for the purposes of this Order has the same meaning as Hackney Carriage and Licensed Hire Car given above;

"contra-flow lane" means a traffic lane reserved for a specified class of traffic proceeding in the opposite direction as general traffic in an adjoining traffic lane.

## PART II PROHIBITED MOVEMENTS

4. No person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform or of a Civil Enforcement Officer, use a vehicle or cause or permit any vehicle except a bus, cycle, motor cycle or Authorised Vehicle to be in the bus lane specified in the Schedule below.
5. No person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform or of a Civil Enforcement Officer, use, cause or permit any bus, cycle, taxi or motor cycle as the case may be to proceed along a bus lane, otherwise than in the direction specified in column 3 of the Schedule in relation to that length of road.
6. No person shall, except upon the direction of a Police Constable in uniform or of a Civil Enforcement Officer, cause or permit any vehicle proceeding along a bus lane in accordance with Article 5 to cross over the white line unless it is necessary to do so in order to overtake a vehicle which is stationary in the bus lane.
7. Nothing in the foregoing Articles 5 and 6 shall prevent any person causing or permitting any vehicle to be in a bus lane in the direction specified in the Schedule below, insofar as it is absolutely necessary, to enable the vehicle to be

used for any of the purposes set out hereunder or to wait in the bus lane for so long as may be necessary for any of those purposes:-

- (a) the removal of any vehicle or to effect emergency repairs to a vehicle in the bus lane so as to relieve any obstruction.
- (b) Police, Fire Brigade or Ambulance purposes; or
- (c) 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 any telecommunications system as defined in the Telecommunications Act, 1984.

8. Nothing in Article 5 shall prevent any person causing or permitting any vehicle:-

- (a) To enter or be in a bus lane for any of the purposes set out in paragraphs (i) to (iii) below, by crossing the white line, at a point opposite that person's destination, or a point as close as possible to that point, provided that such entry is absolutely necessary in respect of:-
  - (i) the gaining of access to off-street loading or garaging premises adjacent to or accessible only from the bus lane;
  - (ii) the loading or unloading of any goods or burden at these premises adjacent to or accessible only from the bus lane; provided that such loading or unloading can reasonably be carried out only from the bus lane and that it takes place only whilst no prohibition on loading or unloading in the bus lane by virtue of any other order is in force;
  - (iii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic in the bus lane; or
- (b) In the service of any local authority or water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties to be in the bus lane;
- (c) which is to be used in connection with the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of any lengths of road, or the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near any of the lengths of road of any sewer or main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, electricity or telegraph line to be in the bus lane;
- (d) having entered a bus lane in accordance with (a) above, to wait therein for the purposes set out in (i), (ii) and (iii);
- (e) having entered a bus lane in accordance with (a) above, to leave the bus lane by crossing the white line at a point as close as possible to the point of entry.

**PART III**  
**SUSPENSIONS**

9. The following Orders or parts of Orders are hereby suspended:

The Borough of Reading (Bus Lanes) Traffic Regulation Order 2006, Schedule 4,  
- Bus, Cycle, Taxi and Motorcycle - A329 Kings Road - East to West.

THE COMMON SEAL OF )  
READING BOROUGH COUNCIL )  
was hereunto affixed on the )  
day of the presence of:- )

  
Authorised Signatory

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**SCHEDULE**  
**BUS, CYCLE, MOTORCYCLE AND AUTHORISED VEHICLES ONLY**

<b>Column 1 Location</b>	<b>Column 2 Description</b>	<b>Column 3 Direction</b>
A329 King's Road	The area of the carriageway of that length of King's Road which extends from its junction with London Road to a point 32 metres west of its junction with Eldon Road bounded on the south side by the kerb line of that road and, where the kerb line is broken by the junction of that road with another road or an access way, by the line joining the said southern kerb line on either side of that junction.	East to West (contra flow)