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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

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THE COUNTY OF HEREFORD AND WORCESTER

(SANSOME STREET, WORCESTER)

(BUS LANE) ORDER 1996

Hereford and Worcester County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (which said Act is hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1984"), and of all other powers them enabling in that behalf, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the said Act of 1984, hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 16th day of August 1996 and may be cited as The County of Hereford and Worcester (Sansome Street, Worcester) (Bus Lane) Order 1996.

2. In this Order:-

- (a) "bus lane" means the area of the carriageway of Sansome Street in the City of Worcester in the County of Hereford and Worcester between its junction with Sansome Place and Lowesmoor (and hereinafter referred to as "the road") bounded on the north east side by the north eastern kerbline thereof, and on the south western side by a traffic sign authorised as prescribed by the Secretary of State for the Environment pursuant to Sections 64 and 65 of the Act of 1984, and placed on the carriageway of the said road which traffic sign consists of a longitudinal white line 250 millimetres wide, parallel to the said north eastern kerbline of said road (hereinafter referred to as the "white line") broken only by the gap opposite the junction of the bus lane with any other road, by a crossing for foot passengers marked on the road in accordance with Regulations made under Section 25 of the Act of 1984, or by a street refuge. ✓GW
- (b) "public service vehicle" has the meaning given in Section 1 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981;
- (c) "local service" has the meaning given in Section 2 of the Transport Act 1985;
- (d) "scheduled express service" means a service provided by a public service vehicle-
  - (i) used to carry passengers for hire or reward at separate fares otherwise than in the provision of a local service; and
  - (ii) which is operated in accordance with a time table.

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- (e) "school bus" means a vehicle constructed or adapted to carry 12 or more passengers and being used to carry persons to or from a school as defined in Section 114(1) of the Education Act 1944;
- (f) "works bus" means a vehicle constructed or adapted to carry 12 or more passengers (excluding the driver) which has been provided by an employer for the purpose of carrying persons employed by him or on his behalf to or from their place of employment and is being used for that purpose.
- (g) "invalid or disabled person's vehicle" means a vehicle which displays in accordance with the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England and Wales) Regulations 1986, a badge issued under the Disabled Persons (Badge for Motor Vehicles) Regulations 1975, in pursuance of a scheme under Section 21 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970.
- (h) "Dial-a-Ride vehicle" means a vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of disabled persons and those accompanying them and is being used to provide a service for the carriage of such persons and which displays in a conspicuous position the dial-a-ride logo in a form approved by the Council.

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3. No person shall cause any vehicle to proceed in such part of the carriageway of any of the streets which is not a bus lane other than in a south westerly direction PROVIDED however, that this shall not prevent a vehicle using the bus lane and proceeding in a south easterly direction from crossing over the white line for so long only as it is necessary so to do in order to overtake a vehicle which is stationary in the bus lane.

3.30pm - 6.30pm  
on any day

4. No person shall except with the permission of a police officer in uniform or of a traffic warden cause any vehicle to enter, proceed or wait in a bus lane except for:

- (1) (i) public service vehicles used in the provision of local services;
- (ii) scheduled express services;
- (iii) school buses;
- (iv) works buses;
- (v) a vehicle to be used for the removal of any obstruction to traffic in any of the streets (whether or not the obstruction is in the bus lane);
- (vi) a vehicle to be used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
- (vi) a vehicle to be used in the service of any local authority or water authority or with the permission of any such authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties and whilst being so used it is necessary for the vehicle to enter, proceed or wait in the bus lane;



- (viii) a mechanical street-cleansing vehicle when cleaning the bus lane;
- (ix) for the avoidance of an accident;
- (x) an invalid or disabled person's vehicle but only to enable an invalid or disabled person therein to obtain access to premises situate on or fronting to the bus lane using however the shortest length of such bus lane necessary to obtain access to such premises;
- (xi) a pedal cycle;
- (xii) vehicles, if they cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road, to be used in connection with any building operation or demolition, the removal of any obstruction to traffic, the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the streets referred to or the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near to the said streets of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or of any telegraphic line as defined in the Telecommunications Act 1984;
- (xiii) Dial-a-Ride vehicles.

all of which said vehicles shall proceed in the bus lane in a south easterly direction.

- (2) (i) for gaining access to off-street loading facilities or garaging and off-street parking facilities;
- (ii) a vehicle onto which or from which goods are intended to be loaded or unloaded at premises having an entrance suitable for loading or unloading situate fronting to the bus lane and no other entrance suitable for such purpose, and to enable such loading and/or unloading to take place, provided that such loading and unloading whereby such vehicle would wait in the bus lane shall take place only whilst no prohibition on loading or unloading on that portion of the bus lane by virtue of any other Order is in force;

all of which vehicles shall travel in the portion of the streets not being a bus lane and shall there travel in a south easterly direction but may enter the bus lane for such purpose as aforesaid in such direction using the shortest length of the bus lane necessary therefore and being in the bus lane for the shortest possible time necessary for such purpose.

- 5. The provisions of this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions of any regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or under any other enactment.

Dated the 1st August 1996

The Common Seal of Hereford and )  
Worcester County Council was )  
hereto affixed in the presence of: ) L.S.