
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 1879

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations 1982

Made - - - - - 22nd December 1982
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Coming into Operation 10th February 1983

The Secretary of State for Transport, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales acting jointly in exercise of the powers conferred by section 54(1) and (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967(a) as amended by paragraph 24(b) of Schedule 3 to the Secretary of State for the Environment Order 1970(b) and now vested in them (c) and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 107(2) of the said Act of 1967, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 10th February 1983 and may be cited as the Traffic Signs (Amendment) Regulations 1982.

2. The Traffic Signs Regulations 1981(d) shall have effect in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

3. In Regulation 3 (Savings), add the following sub-paragraph:—

“(3) Any traffic sign shown in diagram 577 and 651 which immediately before 10th February 1983 is in being and which complied with the provisions in these Regulations relating to the sign in force immediately before that date shall, so long as it continues to comply with those provisions, be treated as prescribed by these Regulations until 31st December 1992.

4. In Regulation 4 (Interpretation), in paragraph (1)—

(a) after the definition of “the Act” insert the following definition:—

“articulated vehicle” means a motor vehicle with a trailer so attached to it as to be partially superimposed upon it;”;

(b) after the definition of “chief officer of police” insert the following definition:—

““cycle lane” means part of the carriageway of a road which—

(a) starts with the marking shown in diagram 1009, and

(a) 1967 c.76.

(b) S.I. 1970/1681.

(c) S.I. 1979/571 and 1981/238 (as respects the powers of the Secretary of State for Transport).

(d) S.I. 1981/859.

- (b) is separated from the rest of the carriageway by—
- (i.) if it may not be used by vehicles other than pedal cycles, the marking shown in diagram 1049, or
 - (ii.) if it may be used by vehicles other than pedal cycles, the marking shown in diagram 1004;”;
- (c) for the definition of “maximum gross weight” substitute the following definition:—
- “maximum gross weight” means—
- (a) in the case of a motor vehicle not drawing a trailer or in the case of a trailer, its maximum laden weight;
 - (b) in the case of an articulated vehicle, its maximum laden weight (if it has one) and otherwise the aggregate maximum laden weight of all the individual vehicles forming part of that articulated vehicle; and
 - (c) in the case of a motor vehicle (other than an articulated vehicle) drawing one or more trailers, the aggregate maximum laden weight of the motor vehicle and the trailer or trailers attached to it,

and the foregoing references to the maximum laden weight of a vehicle are references to the total laden weight which must not be exceeded in the case of that vehicle if it is to be used in Great Britain without contravening any regulations for the time being in force under section 40 of the Road Traffic Act 1972(a);”;

- (d) after the definition of “motorway” insert the following definition:—
- ““pedal cycle” means a bicycle, tricycle, or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case mechanically propelled unless it is an electrically assisted pedal cycle of such class as is for the purposes of the Act to be treated as not being a motor vehicle;”.

5. In Regulation 12 (Permitted variants):—

- (a) in paragraph (1)—
- (i) at the end of sub-paragraph (a) add

“Wherever an indication in metric units may be substituted for one in imperial units under this sub-paragraph and the sign in which the substitution is permitted is incorporated as a symbol in another sign, the indication given by the symbol so incorporated may be varied in the same manner as the variation permitted for the sign which it symbolises;”;
 - (ii) in the sub-paragraphs specified in an item in column (2) of the Table below, for the words specified in column (3) of that Table substitute the words specified in column (4) thereof;

(a) 1972 c.20.

TABLE

(1) Item No.	(2) Sub-paragraphs of Regulation 12(1).	(3) Existing words	(4) Substituted words
1	(c)	728.1 to 729, 733,	728.1, 728.2, 729, 733, 742.5, 742.6,
2	(e)	734.8,	734.8, 735.1,
3	(g)	646, and 807	646, 656.1, 807 and 812.4
4	(h)	730, 732.1, 734.10, 742.4, 640, 757,	730, 730.1, 732.1, 732.5, 734.10, 735.2, 742.4, 742.5, 640, 742.5, 757,
5	(j)	729 to 729.2 741 739.2 734.8,	729.1 to 729.3 741 to 742.4 739.5 734.8, 742.5, 742.6,
6	(k)	734.8, 739, 739.1 to 739.3, 742.3,	734.8, 735.1, 739 to 739.5, 742.3, 742.6,
7	(m)	734.8, 739, 759, 702.1,	734.8, 735.1, 739, 739.4, 761, 702.1, 703.2, 718.2,
8	(n)	728 to 732.1, 736.1,	727, 728, 728.1, 728.2 and 729 to 732.1, 736.1, the red rose symbol shown in diagram 742.5 or the variant symbol permitted by that sign,

(iii) in sub-paragraph (o) delete "other than a motorway or a primary route";

(b) after paragraph (2) insert the following paragraph:—

"(2A) Where the sign shown in diagram 812 in Schedule 1 is varied in accordance with the indication given below that diagram the overall dimensions of the sign may be varied so far as is necessary to give effect to the variation."; and

(c) in paragraph (4) after "734.8" insert "735.1", and after "739" insert "739.4".

6. In Regulation 13 (Dimensions), add the following paragraph:—

"(4) In any diagram in Schedule 1 and, subject to Regulation 20(2), in Schedule 2, any alternative dimension adopted for a sign shall be so selected that that alternative is matched by the selection of the alternative for every other dimension for which an indication is given in the said diagrams and which corresponds in numerical ascending or descending order with that alternative so adopted."

7. In Regulation 15 (Illumination of signs by steady lighting)—

- (a) in paragraph (2), for “and 622.4” substitute “622.4 and 625”, and (in sub-paragraph (b)), for “and 616” substitute “616 and 625”;
- (b) in paragraph (3), for “544.2” substitute “544.3”, and for “654” substitute “654.1”;
- (c) in paragraph (4) for “812.2” substitute “812.2, 812.5, 812.6”.

8. In Regulation 27 (Certain temporary signs)—

- (a) in paragraph (1) (a), for item (iv) substitute—

“(iv) information or warnings as to the avoidance of any temporary hazards occasioned by works being executed on or near a road, by adverse weather conditions or other natural causes, by the failure of street lighting or by malfunction of or damage to any apparatus, equipment, or facility used in connection with the road or any thing situated on near or under it or by damage to the road itself;”;
- (b) in paragraph (5) for the full stop at the end of sub-paragraph (b) substitute “; or”, and add the following sub-paragraph:—

“(c) if the sign conveys information or warnings as to the avoidance of any temporary hazards such as are mentioned in paragraph (1)(a)(iv) above, white on a red background.”.

9. In Regulation 28 (Flashing beacons and flags), in paragraph (1), after “569.3” insert “569.4”.**10. In Regulation 29 (Cones and cylinders)—**

- (a) in paragraph (1)—
 - (i) for “being of the conical shape shown in diagram 577” substitute “being of the shape, dimensions, and colours indicated in diagram 577”; and
 - (ii) for “subject to the following conditions” to the end substitute “, and that part of the device coloured white shall be illuminated with white reflecting material and that part of the device coloured red may be illuminated with red reflecting material”; and
- (b) in paragraph (2)—
 - (i) for “being of the cylindrical shape shown in diagram 578” substitute “being of the shape, dimensions and colours indicated in diagram 578”;
 - (ii) after “in the opposite direction” insert “to delineate the edge of a route for vehicular traffic through or past a temporary obstruction”; and
 - (iii) for “subject to the following conditions” to the end substitute “, and that part of the device coloured white shall be illuminated with white reflecting material and that part of the device coloured red may be illuminated with red reflecting material”.

11. In Regulation 33 (Portable light signals for control of vehicular traffic)—

- (a) in paragraph (1), for sub-paragraph (a) substitute:—

“(a) on a length of road having no junction along its length with any

other road carrying vehicular traffic to or from it and where the width of the carriageway of that length of road is temporarily restricted so that it will carry only one line of traffic.”;

(b) for paragraph (2) substitute:—

“(2) Such light signals shall comply with—

- (a) the provisions of Regulation 31(2)(a), (b), (c), (f) and (g), or if appropriate, those provisions as varied by Regulation 32(1), and
- (b) the provisions of Regulation 31(2)(e), or if appropriate, those provisions as varied by Regulation 32(2) as if for “305” there appeared “270”.

12. In Regulation 35 (Light signals for pedestrians), in paragraph (3)—

(a) delete “and” at the end of sub-paragraph (b);

(b) for the full stop at the end of sub-paragraph (c) substitute “; and”;
and

(c) add—

“(d) the green signal is and remains illuminated only for so long as there is conveyed to vehicular traffic a requirement, prohibition or restriction against entering that part of the carriageway across which the light signals for pedestrians are facing, being a requirement, prohibition or restriction indicated by the light signals prescribed by Regulation 31(2), by that Regulation as varied in accordance with Regulation 32 as respects the direction of the green arrow, or by the traffic signs shown in diagrams 606, 612, 613 or 616”.

13. In Regulation 36 (Light signals for lane control of vehicular traffic), in paragraph (2) for “5002” to the end substitute “5001 to 5004.”.

14. In Schedule 1, in Part I (Warning signs)—

(a) after diagram 544.2 insert diagram 544.3 set out in the Schedule below;

(b) for diagram 577 substitute the diagram of that number in the Schedule below; and

(c) in diagram 578 delete “ground level” and in the indication below diagram 578, after “one carriageway” insert “to delineate the edge of a route for vehicular traffic through or past a temporary obstruction”.

15. In Schedule 1, in Part II (Regulatory Signs)—

(a) add “(150)(270)” as alternative dimensions above diagram 625 and delete “non-mechanically propelled” from the indication below it;

(b) after diagram 625.2 insert diagram 625.3 set out in the Schedule below;

(c) in the indication below diagram 646 for “6 and 13” substitute “6, 13 and 14”.

(d) substitute “400” for “350” as the dimension above diagram 651, and for “NO Vehicles” in that diagram substitute “NO Motor Vehicles”;

(e) after diagram 654 insert diagram 654.1 set out in the Schedule below; and

(f) in the indication below diagram 656.1 delete from “Permitted variants” to the end but retaining “(see Directions 6 and 12)”.

16. In Schedule 1, in Part III (Directional informatory signs)—

- (a) in the indication below diagram 712.1 for “The Safe height at hazard ahead symbol” substitute “The headroom at hazard symbol”; and delete “or 534.2”;
- (b) for diagram 719.1 and the indication below it substitute the diagram of that number and the indication below it in the Schedule below;
- (c) in the indication below diagram 719.3A delete “or 534.2”;
- (d) for diagram 719.4 substitute the diagram of that number set out in the Schedule below;
- (e) after diagram 729.2 insert diagram 729.3 set out in the Schedule below;
- (f) after diagram 730 insert diagram 730.1 set out in the Schedule below;
- (g) add “(37.5)” as an alternative dimension to diagram 732.4 and in the indication below that diagram for “cyclists” substitute “cycles”;
- (h) after diagram 732.4 insert diagram 732.5 set out in the Schedule below;
- (i) in the indication below diagram 734.5 for “symbol” where it first occurs substitute “car symbols”;
- (j) at the end of the indication below diagram 734.8 add “or the cycle symbol in diagram 804.4”;
- (k) at the end of the indication below diagram 734.9 add “or the cycle symbol in diagram 804.4”;
- (l) after diagram 734.10 insert diagrams 735.1 and 735.2 set out in the Schedule below;
- (m) after diagram 739.3 insert diagrams 739.4 and 739.5 set out in the Schedule below;
- (n) after diagram 742.2 insert diagrams 742.5 and 742.6 set out in the Schedule below.

17. In Schedule 1, in Part IV (Other informatory signs)—

- (a) after diagram 804.3 insert diagram 804.4 set out in the Schedule below;
- (b) after diagram 810.1 insert diagrams 810.2 and 810.3 set out in the Schedule below;
- (c) in the indication below diagram 812.4 omit “Permitted variants” to the end but retaining “(see Directions 6 and 12)”.
- (d) after diagram 812.4 insert diagrams 812.5 and 812.6 set out in the Schedule below;
- (e) in the indication below diagram 815 for “cyclists” substitute “cycles”;
- (f) in the indications below signs 823, 824 and 825 for “the next point at which a driver may leave a motorway or other route or a roundabout” substitute “a roundabout or the next point at which a driver may leave a motorway or other route”.

18. In Schedule 2 (Markings on the road)—

- (a) for diagram 1003, substitute the diagram of that number set out in the Schedule below;

- (b) at the end of the indication to diagram 1004 add
“and where used in conjunction with diagram 815, to warn motor vehicles not to enter a lane recommended for pedal cycles unless that lane is seen to be clear of pedal cycles”;
- (c) for diagram 1009 and the indication below it substitute the diagram of that number and the indication thereto set out in the Schedule below;
- (d) at the end of the indication to diagram 1010 add “or where the line is laid diagonally across a part of the carriageway of a road, to indicate the start of a traffic lane the boundary of which is indicated by diagram 1049;
- (e) for diagram 1023 substitute the diagram of that number set out in the Schedule below;
- (f) in diagram 1043 for “40000” substitute “30000”;
- (g) in diagram 1049 below “(300)” add “(150)” and in the indication to that diagram after “passengers” insert
“and where varied to 150 mm width and used in conjunction with the signs in diagrams 654.1 and 812.5 the boundary of a cycle lane”;
Insert a full stop after “prohibited” and insert before “see Directions 6 and 30”;
“Where varied to 150 mm width and used in conjunction with the sign in diagram 625.3, a longitudinal line to indicate the division of a road into that part reserved for pedal cycles and that part reserved for pedestrians”;
- (h) at the end add diagrams 1057, 1058 and 1059 set out in the Schedule below.

15th December 1982.

David Howell,
Secretary of State for Transport.

22nd December 1982.

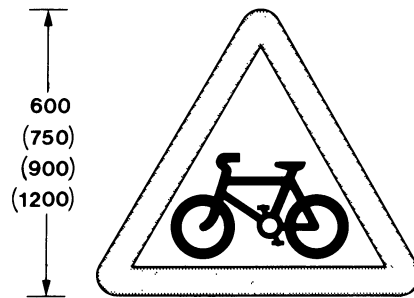
George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

21st December 1982.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

SCHEDULE (see Regulations 13 to 17)

SCHEDULE 1 PART I—WARNING SIGNS

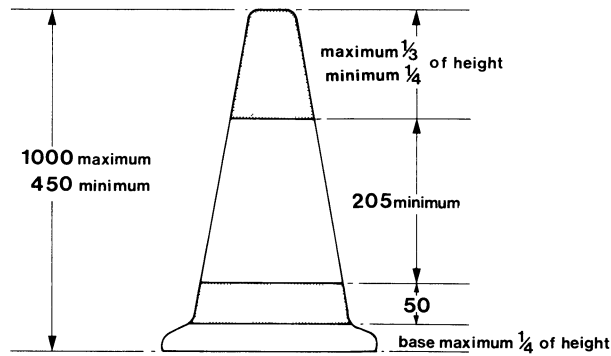


(Red triangle; black symbol on a white background)

Cycle route ahead.

Permitted variant: The cycle symbol may be reversed in a mirror image.

544.3

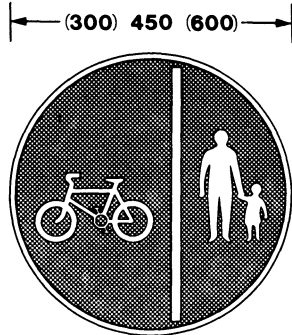


(Red with white central portion; Base any colour)

Traffic cone to delineate the edge of a route for vehicular traffic through or past a temporary obstruction.

577

SCHEDULE 1 PART II—REGULATORY SIGNS

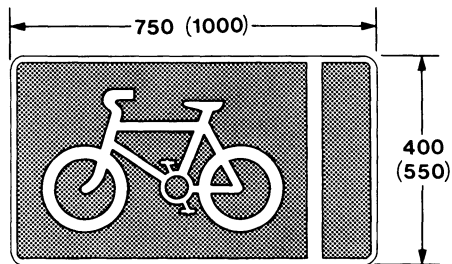


(White symbols and border on a blue background)

Route comprising two ways separated by a road marking or physical works for use respectively by pedal cycles and pedestrians and by no other traffic.

Permitted variant: The symbols may be reversed in a mirror image.
(See Directions 6, 10 and 23A).

625.3



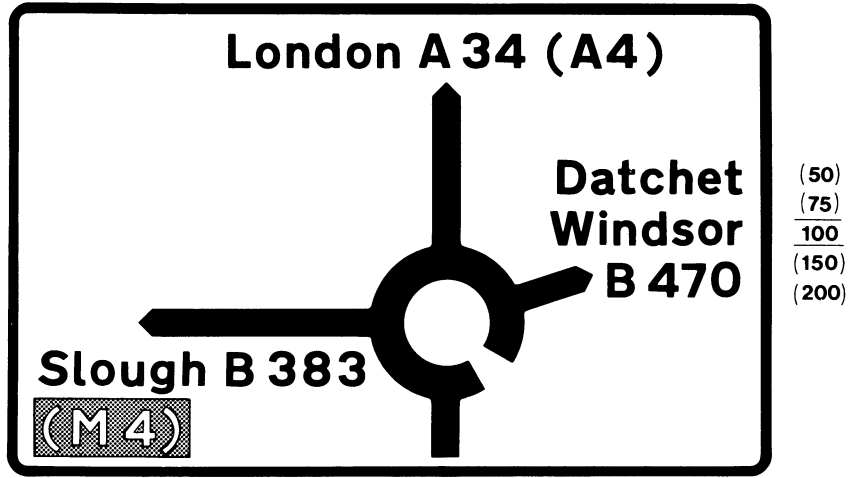
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Lane reserved for pedal cycles when proceeding in the same direction as other traffic, marked on the carriageway by the symbol in diagram 1057 and bounded by the marking in diagram 1049.

(See Directions 6 and 10).

654.1

SCHEDULE 1 PART III—DIRECTIONAL INFORMATORY SIGNS

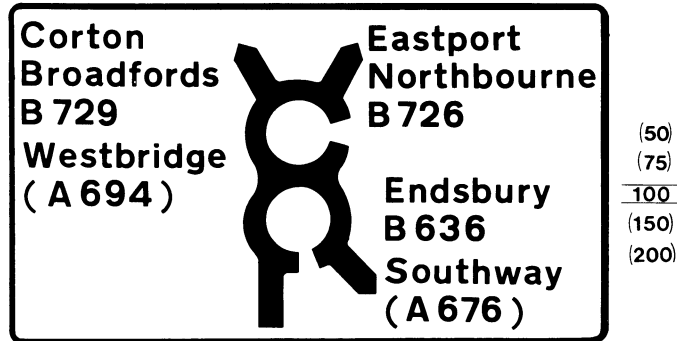


(Black border, lettering and route symbols on a white background. Motorway route white on a blue panel)

Same as 701 with variations for roundabout junction leading to a motorway. The motorway route shown in brackets is not at the junction but may be reached by proceeding in the direction indicated. The relative importance of each road is shown by differing widths of the route symbol.

(See Direction 7).

719.1

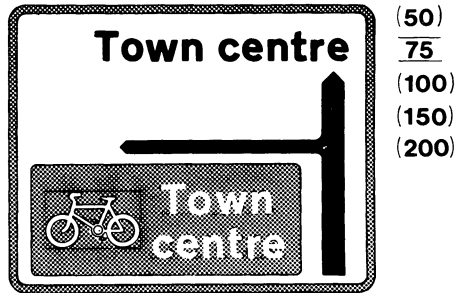


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Route number of, and next place of traffic importance on, roads extending from a double roundabout junction ahead.

(See Direction 7).

719.4

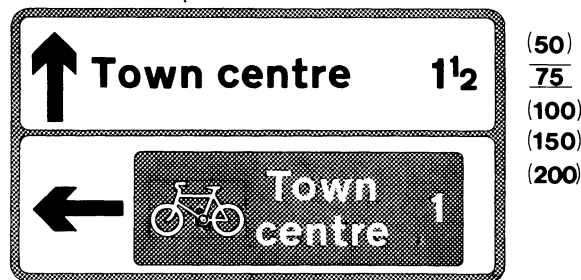


(50)
75
 (100)
 (150)
 (200)

(Blue border; black lettering and route symbol on white background; cycle symbol and destination in white on a blue panel.)

Same as 729 with variation for a road where the route for pedal cycles is different from the route for other vehicular traffic

729.3



(50)
75
 (100)
 (150)
 (200)

(Colours as for diag 729.3)

Same as 730 with variation for a road where the route for pedal cycles is different from the route for other vehicular traffic.

730.1

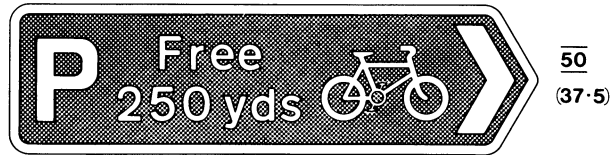


50
 (37.5)

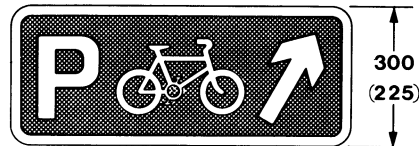
(White border, symbols and legend on a blue background)
 Direction and mileage from junction ahead of route recommended for pedal cycles, or pedal cycles and pedestrians, to place named.

Permitted variants: mileage may be omitted; pedestrian symbol shown in diagram 739 may be added.

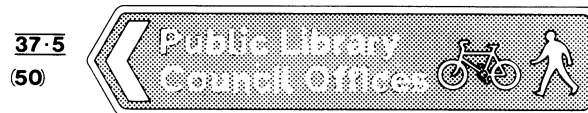
732.5



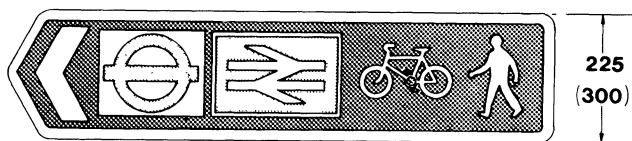
(White border, symbols and legend on a blue background)
 Direction and distance along a cycle route to a parking place for pedal cycles.
 Permitted variants: The word "Free" or the distance or both may be omitted.
 735.1



(White border, symbols and legend on a blue background)
 Direction along a cycle route to a parking place for pedal cycles.
 Permitted variant: The word "Free" may be added below the cycle symbol.
 735.2



(White symbols, letters and border on a blue background)
 Direction of route for pedestrians and pedal cycles to local places where this differs from the route for other vehicular traffic.
 Permitted variant: The disabled persons symbol shown in diagram 736.1 may be added in white between the other symbols.
 739.4

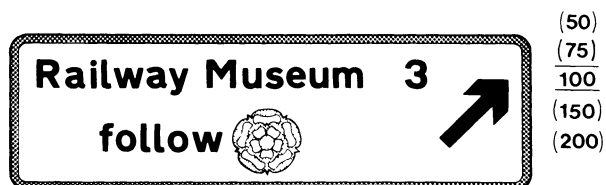


(Colours as for diag 739.1 with white cycle symbol)

Direction of route for pedestrians and pedal cycles to railway station where this differs from the route for other vehicular traffic.

Permitted variants: The British Rail or London Transport symbol may be omitted as appropriate.

739.5



(Blue border, black legend and arrow and red rose symbol on a white background)

Direction from junction ahead with mileage to a tourist attraction recognised by the English Tourist Board and/or any Regional Tourist Board in England indicating a system of confirmatory signs to that attraction.

Permitted variant: The Wales Tourist Board symbol may be substituted for the red rose symbol where the tourist attraction is recognised by that Board.

742.5



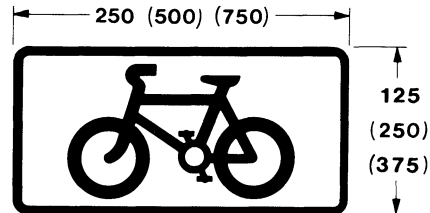
(Blue border, black legend and arrow and red rose symbol on a white background)

Direction and distance to a tourist attraction recognised by the English Tourist Board and/or any Regional Tourist Board in England indicating a system of confirmatory signs to that attraction.

Permitted variant: Same as diagram 742.5.

742.6

SCHEDULE 1 PART IV—OTHER INFORMATORY SIGNS

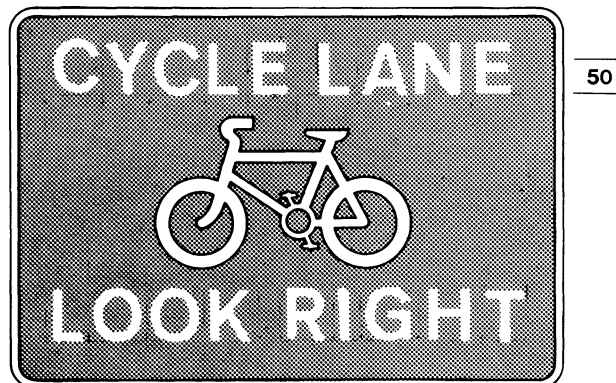


(Black symbol and border on white background)

Plate for use with the sign in diagram 801 to indicate a parking place for pedal cycles.

(See Direction 12).

804.4



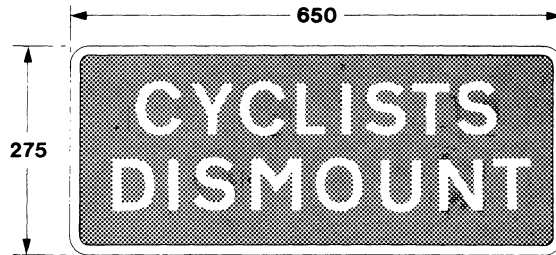
(White symbol, legend and border on a blue background)

To inform pedestrians of a lane reserved for pedal cycles, or a cycle track.

Permitted variants: The symbol may be reversed in a mirror image and "RIGHT" varied to "LEFT"; "LOOK BOTH WAYS" may be substituted for "LOOK RIGHT"; "CYCLE TRACK" may be substituted for "CYCLE LANE".

(See Direction 6).

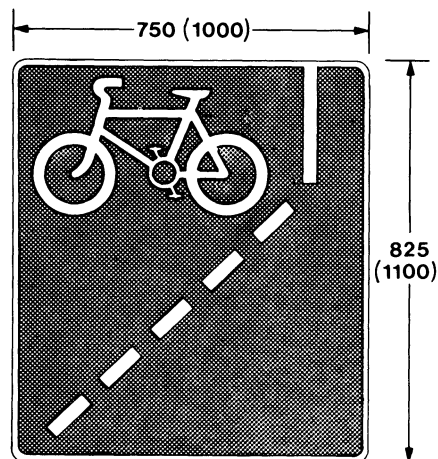
810.2



(White legend and border on a blue background)

To advise cyclists to dismount at the end of, or a break in, a cycle lane, track or route.

810.3



(White symbols on blue background;
white border)

Lane ahead reserved for pedal cycles
proceeding in the same direction as other
traffic.

(See Direction 6).

812.5



(Black on white)

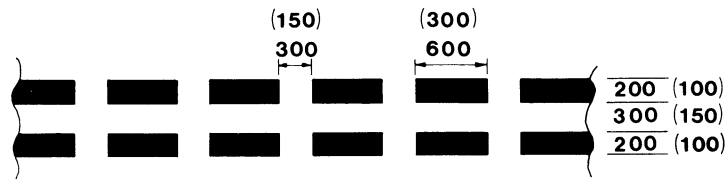
To inform traffic in a side road of a lane or lanes in the major road ahead reserved for pedal cycles, or of a cycle track crossing the side road.

Permitted variants: The arrow and symbol may be reversed; the arrow may be omitted and where this occurs the words "Cycle lanes" shall be substituted for "Cycle lane"; the words "Cycle track" may be substituted for "Cycle lane" and where there is two way traffic on the cycle track the arrow shall be omitted.

(See Direction 6).

812.6

SCHEDULE 2 MARKINGS ON THE ROAD



(White)

Transverse marking to indicate to vehicular traffic the requirement prescribed by Regulation 22(2).

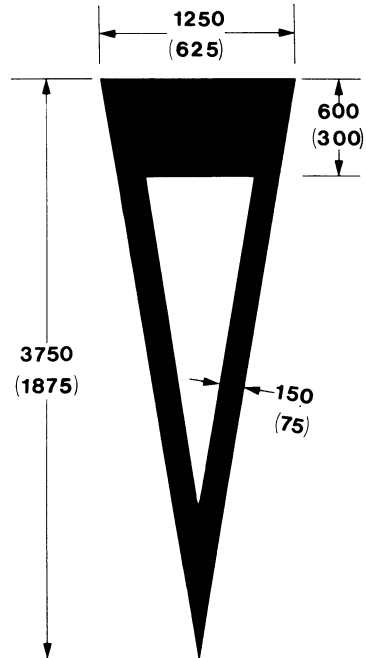
1003



(White)

Longitudinal line to indicate to vehicular traffic the edge of a carriageway at a road junction, or where the line is laid diagonally across a part of the carriageway of a road, to indicate the start of a cycle lane.
(See Direction 30).

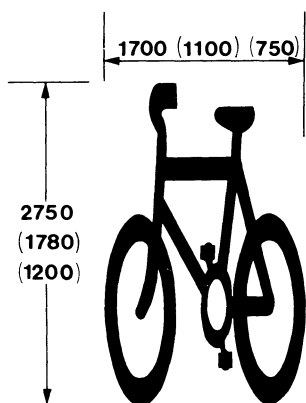
1009



(White)

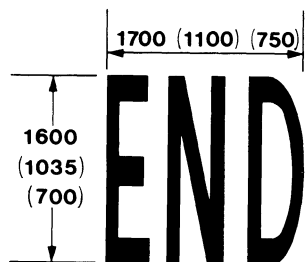
To indicate to vehicular traffic the approach to a road junction at or near which is placed the marking shown in diagram 1003 or both the marking shown in diagram 1003 and the sign shown in diagram 602.
(See Direction 30).

1023



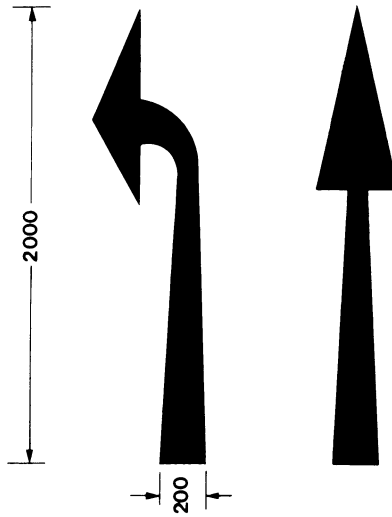
(White)

To indicate a lane, track or route reserved for pedal cycles.
(See Direction 30).
1057



(White)

To indicate the termination of a lane, track or route reserved for pedal cycles.
(See Direction 30).
1058



(White)

To indicate the direction in which pedal cycles should travel on a lane, track or route reserved for pedal cycles.

Permitted variant: The arrow head pointing to the left may be reversed to point to the right.
(See Direction 30).

1059

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Traffic Signs Regulations 1981. The principal changes are:—

1. A number of new signs are introduced into Schedules 1 and 2 to indicate pedal cycle facilities, that is signs to indicate “with flow” cycle lanes, segregated shared cyclist/pedestrian routes, parking facilities and directional information. Alternative dimensions are prescribed for signs and markings already included in the 1981 Regulations to facilitate their use on cycle routes—see Regulations 15(a), 16(g) and 18(a), (c), (e) and (g).
2. New signs are introduced to indicate the direction to tourist attractions in England and Wales—see Schedule. Provision is also made for the red “rose” and red “dragon” symbols used on these signs to be shown on certain other directional informatory signs—see Regulation 5(a)(ii).
3. A number of minor amendments are made including:—
 - (i) amendment to Regulation 27(1) to prescribe the use of signs to warn drivers of any type of temporary hazard—see Regulation 8;
 - (ii) amendment to Regulation 33(1)(a) to ensure that site approval by the highway authority is obtained before portable traffic signals prescribed in the Regulation are used for shuttle working on a carriageway which has a road junction along its length—see Regulation 11;
 - (iii) the prescription of new versions of diagrams 719.1 and 719.4—see Regulation 16(a) and (d);
 - (iv) the terms “articulated vehicle”, “cycle lane” and “pedal cycle” are defined—see Regulation 4;
 - (v) a new definition of maximum gross weight which also covers temporarily imported vehicles is provided—see Regulation 4.

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