

2026 No.

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**The Cycle Routes (Amendment No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland)
2026**

Made - - - - 2026

Coming into operation 2026

The Department for Infrastructure^(a) makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 4(1), (2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997^(b) (“the 1997 Order”) and now vested in it^(c).

The Department has consulted such persons as it considers appropriate in accordance with Article 4(6) of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 1 to, the 1997 Order.

The Department has published a notice in compliance with paragraphs 1 and 3 of that Schedule.

(Here will follow, where appropriate, recitals of the fact of any written objection or other representation received or inquiry held and the outcome thereof).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Cycle Routes (Amendment No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2026 and shall come into operation on 2026.

Amendment

2.—(1) The Cycle Routes Order (Northern Ireland) 2008^(d) is amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) In Schedule 1 after item no. 58 insert the following item—

“59. The northern carriageway of Castle Place, Belfast from its junction with Royal Avenue for a distance of 105 metres in an easterly direction, bounded on its northern side by a kerb line and on its southern side by a kerbed cycle buffer, broken only by a zebra crossing. ”

(a) Formerly the Department for Regional Development; see section 1(6) and (11) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c. 5 (N.I.))

(b) S.I. 1997/276 (N.I. 2)

(c) S.R. 2008 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

(d) S.R. 2008 No. 317: last relevant amending Order is S.R. 2026 No. XXX

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 2026

(L.S.)

A senior officer of the Department for Infrastructure

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Cycle Routes Order (Northern Ireland) 2008 (“the 2008 Order”) by the addition of a cycle lane on a length of Castle Place, Belfast.

Any person who acts in contravention of Article 2 of the 2008 Order by causing or permitting a vehicle other than a cycle to wait in a cycle lane shall be liable to a penalty charge (£90) payable in accordance with the Traffic Management (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 and the Penalty Charges (Prescribed Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006.

Any person who contravenes any other provision of the 2008 Order shall be guilty of an offence under the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 (“the Regulation Order”) and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (£1,000) in accordance with the Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 as amended by the Regulation Order.

Traffic signs and road markings indicating the effect of this Order will in due course be placed on the road.