

## Traffic Signs Authorisation

The Department for Regional Development(**a**), gives the following authorisation in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 28(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**).

### *Interpretation*

1. In this authorisation—  
“the 1997 Regulations” means the Traffic Signs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997(**d**);  
“diagram” means the diagram in the Schedule;  
“hours of darkness” and “retroreflecting material” have the meanings assigned to those terms by regulation 2 of the 1997 Regulations;  
“sign” means the traffic sign shown in the diagram.

### *Control of traffic by signs*

- 2.—(1) The sign is authorised for erection for the purpose of providing information to traffic.  
  
(2) The information conveyed by the sign shall be that in or under the diagram.

### *Sign to be of the size, colour and type shown in the diagram*

- 3.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this authorisation, the sign shall be of the size, colour and type shown in the diagram.  
  
(2) Dimensions indicated on the diagram are expressed in millimetres.

### *Variations of dimensions*

- 4.—(1) Any dimension specified in the diagram relating to the height of a letter may be varied by up to 7.5% of that dimension.  
  
(2) Any dimension specified in the diagram other than those referred to in paragraph (1) may be varied by up to 5% of that dimension.

### *Proportions and form of letters and numerals*

5. All letters and numerals incorporated in the sign shall have the proportions and form as prescribed in Part I of Schedule 13 to the 1997 Regulations.

### *Illumination requirements*

- 6.—(1) The sign may be illuminated by means of internal or external lighting but if not so illuminated throughout the hours of darkness, it shall be illuminated by the use of retroreflecting material in accordance with paragraph (2).

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(a) S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(1)

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

(c) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(d) and Schedule 4 Part IV

(d) S.R. 1997 No. 386

(2) Where retroreflecting material is used on any part of the sign all other parts of that sign shall also be illuminated by means of retroreflecting material.

(3) Where the sign is illuminated by means of external lighting, then that means of lighting shall be fitted to the structure on which the sign is mounted or which is otherwise specially provided, except that if the sign is mounted on a bridge, tunnel or similar structure over a road the means of lighting may alternatively be mounted separately in a manner such as to illuminate the sign effectively.

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Causeway Coast area of  
outstanding natural beauty