

THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL

THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL (TRAFFIC REGULATION; RESTRICTIONS ON WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING: CITY CENTRE) (NO. 1) EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC ORDER 2024 - TRO/21/26A

The City of Edinburgh Council in exercise of their powers under sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended (which Act as so amended is hereinafter referred to as "the 1984 Act"), Part IV of Schedule 9 to the 1984 Act and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Constable in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the 1984 Act, hereby make the following Order:

Citation, commencement and expiry

1. This Order may be cited as "The City of Edinburgh Council (Traffic Regulation; Restrictions on Waiting, Loading and Unloading: City Centre) (No. 1) Experimental Traffic Order 2024", shall come into force on the Nineteenth day of February Two thousand and twenty-four, and shall expire on the Eighteenth day of August Two thousand and twenty-five.

Interpretation

2. (1) In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the follow expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:
 - (a) "chief constable" means the Chief Constable for the Police Scotland area;
"electronic communications network" has the same meaning as in section 32 of the Communications Act 2003;
"funeral vehicle" means a hearse carrying a deceased person and any other such vehicle forming part of a funeral procession for the purpose of transporting mourners to/from a funeral service;
"healthcare worker" means such persons as having been identified by NHS Lothian or qualifying medical practices as being a GP, doctor, registered nurse or any other nominated medical persons carrying out domiciliary visits to patients residing within the restricted road;
"invalid carriage" has the same meaning as in Section 136 of the 1984 Act;
"local authority" means The City of Edinburgh Council;
"local bus" means a public service vehicle used for the provision of a local service not being an excursion or tour;
"local service" has the meaning given in section 2 of the Transport Act 1985;
"motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in Section 136(1) of the 1984 Act;
"operational period" means the operational period of the restrictions contained in Schedule 3;
"parking attendant" has the same meaning as in Section 63A of the 1984 Act;
"pedal cycle" has the same meaning as in section 151 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984;

“postal packets” has the same meaning as in Part 3 of the Postal Services Act 2011;

"prohibited hours" means, in relation to any restricted road, the period or periods where said road is subject to (a) a waiting and/or loading prohibition, as specified in Column 3 of Schedule 1 and 2 or (b) a prohibition of motor vehicles, as specified in Column (3) of Schedule 3;

“public service vehicle” has the same meaning as in Section 1 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981, and, for the purposes of this Order, applies where the said vehicle or vehicles are being operated as a local service, as defined in the said Act;

“restricted hours” means in relation to a restricted road, the period or periods during which vehicles may not wait, and are as specified in column 3 of Schedule 1, wait, load or unload in column 4 of Schedule 2 or enter, as specified in column 3 of Schedule 3, in relation to the lengths of roads specified in column 1 of said Schedules;

"restricted road" means any road identified in the Schedules as having, restricted hours, prohibited hours or no stopping hours applying to that road;

“road” has the same meaning as in Section 151 of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 and, for the avoidance of doubt, for the purposes of this order, includes part of a road;

“taxi” has the same meaning as in Section 23 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982;

“traffic sign” means a sign of any size, type and colour prescribed and authorised under, or having effect as though prescribed or authorised under section 64 of the 1984 Act;

“universal service provider” has the same meaning as in Part 3 of the Postal Services Act 2011;

“vehicle” has the same meaning as “motor vehicle”; and

"waste services vehicle" means a liveried vehicle specifically designed or adapted to collect and/or transport household or business waste, including recyclable materials.

- (b) References in this Order to a disabled person, to a disabled person's badge, to a disabled person's vehicle and to a vehicle displaying a disabled person's badge in the relevant position shall be construed in accordance with the 1984 Act, The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Regulations 2000 and The Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2002.
 - (c) Unless the context otherwise requires, a reference in this Order:
 - i) to a Schedule or Schedules is a reference to a Schedule or Schedules to this Order;
 - ii) to a numbered Article or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order;
 - iii) to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in the Article in which the reference occurs.
- (2) The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation

of any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulations made under the 1984 Act or by or under any other enactment.

- (3) Under section 10(1)(a) of the 1984 Act, this Order provides for the suspension or modification, while it is in force, of any provision previously made by or under any enactment, as if it were made by this Order.
- (4) The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Restriction of waiting and loading or unloading applicable to restricted roads

3. (1) Save as provided in Articles 4(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8) of this Order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a parking attendant, cause or permit any vehicle to wait during the restricted hours in any restricted road.
- (2) Save as provided in Articles 4(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) and (8) of this Order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a parking attendant, cause or permit any vehicle to wait for the purposes of loading or unloading during the prohibited hours in any restricted road.

Exceptions and exemptions from restriction of waiting and loading and unloading

4. (1) The restrictions imposed by Articles 3(1) and (2) of this Order shall not apply to the following vehicles:
 - (a) vehicles while being used for fire and rescue, ambulance or police force purposes;
 - (b) vehicles, not being passenger vehicles, while being used in the service of the local roads authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties: provided that in all the circumstances it is reasonably necessary in the exercise of such powers or duties or the performance of such duties for the vehicle to wait at the place in which it is waiting;
- (2) Articles 3(1) and (2) shall not apply to taxis while:
 - (a) waiting upon a duly authorised taxi stance; and
 - (b) the driver is within the vehicle; and
 - (c) the vehicle is available for immediate hire.
- (3) Article 3(1) shall not apply to the following vehicles:
 - (a) invalid carriages or motor vehicles which are being driven or used by disabled persons and which conspicuously display, so as to be clearly visible from the front of the vehicle, a valid disabled person's badge;
 - (b) vehicles waiting while goods are being sold or offered for sale by a person who is licensed by the Council to sell goods from a stationary vehicle on an approved pitch and which is waiting for such purpose on a pitchprovided that no vehicle shall wait, by virtue of this paragraph on any restricted road during the prohibited hours;
- (4) Nothing in Articles 3(1) and 3(2) shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait in any of the lengths of restricted road for so long as may be necessary during the restricted hours or the prohibited hours, as the case may be:

- (a) to enable a person to board or alight from the vehicle or to load thereon or unload therefrom their personal luggage: provided that no vehicle shall so wait in any restricted road during the prohibited hours for longer than two minutes;
 - (b) when the person in control of the vehicle is:
 - (i) required by law to stop; or
 - (ii) is obliged to stop in order to avoid an accident; or
 - (iii) is prevented from proceeding by any circumstances beyond their control, where the said circumstance relates directly to the movement, or otherwise, of traffic on the road;
 - (c) if the vehicle is in actual use in connection with a funeral undertaking;
 - (d) if the vehicle is in the service of, or is being employed by, a security company and is in actual use while currency or other valuables:
 - (i) are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
 - (ii) having been unloaded from the said vehicle, are being delivered; or
 - (iii) are being collected from premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
 - (iv) having been collected from the said premises, are being loaded onto the vehicle.
- (5) Nothing in Articles 3(1) and 3(2) shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait in a restricted road, for so long as may be necessary during the restricted hours or the prohibited hours, as the case may be:
- (a) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purposes, provided that the said vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose either in any other road not being a restricted road or out-with the restricted hours, to be used in or adjacent to that or any other restricted road in connection with any:
 - (i) building operation; or
 - (ii) demolition; or
 - (iii) laying, erection, alteration or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any electronic communications network; or
 - (iv) excavation,

provided that, in the case of any of the operations described in sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above, the said operation or operations are to be conducted within the extents of the road.

- (b) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purposes, provided that the said vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose either in any other road not being a restricted road or out-with the restricted hours, to be used in connection with any:
 - (i) cleansing or lighting of any restricted street; or
 - (ii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any restricted road; or
 - (iii) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any restricted road; or
 - (iv) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on

any restricted road

- (c) if the vehicle, being a liveried vehicle, is in the service of, or is being employed by, a universal service provider and is in actual use while postal packets:
 - (i) addressed to premises adjacent to that road are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
 - (ii) addressed to premises adjacent to that road having been unloaded from the said vehicle, are being delivered; or
 - (iii) are being collected from postal boxes or premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle: or
 - (iv) are being loaded onto the vehicle.
- (6) Nothing in Articles 3(1) and (2) shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait in any restricted road, during the restricted hours when the vehicle is being used by a healthcare workers' permit holder when, in the course of their employment, the said permit holder is visiting patients in premises situated on any restricted road and the vehicle bears a healthcare workers' permit displayed at the front or nearside of the vehicle and so as to be clearly visible from the front or nearside: provided that:
 - (a) no such vehicle shall, where applicable, wait by virtue of this paragraph in a restricted road during the prohibited hours;
 - (b) no such vehicle shall wait by virtue of this paragraph in any restricted road for a period longer than two hours.

Loading or unloading of goods

- (7) The restrictions imposed by Articles 3(1) and 3(2) shall not apply so as to prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait during the restricted hours in any restricted road while the vehicle is in actual use for the purpose of delivering or collecting goods or while loading or unloading the vehicle at premises adjoining the said road: provided that, during the restricted hours:
 - (a) no such vehicle so engaged shall wait for a period of more than thirty minutes in the same place; and
 - (b) no such vehicle so engaged shall return to the same place, unless a period of more than thirty minutes has elapsed since the termination, during the restricted hours, of the previous waiting period.

Furniture removals and other exceptional loading or unloading

- (8) (a) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of this Article, nothing in Articles 3(1) and 3(2) shall apply so as to restrict the loading or unloading of a vehicle while the vehicle is in actual use, in any restricted road, in connection with the removal of furniture to or from one office, dwelling house or depository adjacent to that restricted road from or to another office, dwelling house or depository.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this Article shall not apply to a vehicle:
 - (i) waiting during the prohibited hours in any restricted road; or
 - (ii) waiting between the hours of 6 a.m. and midnight in any length of restricted road or part thereof described in Schedules 1 and 2 whereby waiting, loading and unloading by vehicles is restricted at any time.

- (c) Paragraph (b) of this Article shall not apply where:
 - (i) notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place; and
 - (ii) their consent, either generally or specifically, has been obtained; and
 - (iii) such reasonable conditions he may impose are complied with.
- (d) Without prejudice to the foregoing paragraphs, nothing in this Part of this Order shall apply so as to restrict the loading or unloading of a vehicle while the vehicle is in actual use in any restricted road in connection with the collection or delivery of goods from or to premises in or adjacent to that road if the goods cannot reasonably be loaded or unloaded out-with the restricted hours or the prohibited hours, where applicable, or within the time (if any) allowed in relation to that road, provided that:
 - (i) notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place; and
 - (ii) their consent, either generally or specifically has been obtained; and
 - (iii) such reasonable conditions as he may impose are complied with.

Prohibition of motor vehicles

- 5. (1) Save as provided in Article 5(2) of this Order, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in any part of the lengths or areas of road described in columns 1 and 2 of Schedule 3.
- (2) Nothing in Article 5(1) shall apply to any vehicle described or specified in Schedule 5 to this Order, subject to the conditions imposed within that Schedule, where the corresponding reference in column 1 of that Schedule is contained within column 4 of Schedule 3.

One-way roads

- 6. (1) Save as provided in Article 6(2) of this Order, no person shall drive or cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven on the length of road specified in column (1) of Schedule 4 to this Order otherwise than in the direction specified in column (2) of the said Schedule.
- (2) Nothing in Article 6(1) shall apply to any vehicle described or specified in Schedule 5 to this Order, subject to the conditions imposed within that Schedule, where the corresponding reference in column 1 of that Schedule is contained within column 3 of Schedule 4.

Replacement of Existing Provisions

- 7. Any provision contained within The City of Edinburgh Council (Traffic Regulation; Restrictions on Waiting, Loading and Unloading, Stopping and Parking Places) Designation and Traffic Regulation Order 2018 will be replaced in so far as it is affected by Article 2(2) of this Order.

Power to modify or suspend this Order

- 8. In pursuance of Section 10(2) of the 1984 Act, the City of Edinburgh Council's Executive Director of Place or an officer of the Council to whom power has been duly delegated, may, if it appears to them or that person essential in the interests of the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic, or for preserving or improving the amenities of

the area through which any road affected by this Order runs, after consultation with the Chief Constable, modify or suspend this Order or any provision thereof, save that no modification shall make an addition.

Revocation or amendment of Orders

9. 'The City of Edinburgh Council (Traffic Regulation; Restrictions on Waiting, Loading and Unloading: City Centre) (No. 1) Experimental Traffic Order 2022' is, as of the eighteenth day of February two thousand and twenty-four, hereby revoked.

Executed by The City of Edinburgh Council this Seventh day of February Two thousand and twenty-four.



(witness)



signed on behalf of Executive Director of Place

SCHEDULE 1
RESTRICTION OF WAITING

<i>(1)</i> <i>Road in Edinburgh</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Length of Road</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Restricted Hours</i>
Grassmarket (<i>north leg</i>)	North side, from the extended western kerbline of West Bow, westwards for a distance of 7.5 metres or thereby;	At any time
Victoria Street/West Bow	North side, from a point 64 metres or thereby west of the extended western kerbline of George IV Bridge, westwards then southwards to the extended northern kerbline of the north leg of Grassmarket;	At any time
Victoria Street/West Bow	South side, from the extended western kerbline of George IV Bridge, westwards for a distance of 140 metres or thereby;	At any time
Waverley Bridge	West side, from the extended southern kerbline of Princes Street, southwards to a point 27.5 metres or thereby north of the extended northern kerbline of Market Street;	At any time
West Bow	East side, from a point 21 metres or thereby north of the extended northern kerbline of Cowgatehead, northwards for a distance of 30 metres or thereby.	At any time

SCHEDULE 2
PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING

<i>(1)</i> <i>Road in Edinburgh</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Length of Road</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Prohibited Hours</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Prohibition of Loading and Unloading Restricted and Prohibited Hours</i>
Cockburn Street	North side, from a point 20.5 metres or thereby south of the extended southern kerbline of Market Street, eastwards then southwards to the extended northern kerbline of High Street;	At any time	At any time
Cockburn Street	West side, from the extended northern kerbline of High Street, northwards for a distance of 43 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
Grassmarket <i>(north leg)</i>	South side, from the extended western kerbline of West Bow, westwards for a distance of 7.5 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
High Street	North side, from the extended western kerbline of Cockburn Street, westwards for a distance of 16.5 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
High Street	North side, from the extended eastern kerbline of Cockburn Street, eastwards for a distance of 6.5 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
High Street	South side, from a point 27.5 metres or thereby west of the extended western kerbline of South Bridge, westwards for a distance of 30.5 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
High Street	North side, from the extended eastern kerbline of Parliament Square, eastwards for a distance of 22 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
High Street	South side, from the eastern kerbline of Parliament Square, eastwards for a distance of 22 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
Victoria Street	North side, from the extended western kerbline of George IV Bridge, westwards for a distance of 64 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time

West Bow	West side, from the extended northern kerbline of Grassmarket (<i>south leg</i>), northwards for a distance of 10 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
West Bow	East side, from the extended northern kerbline of Cowgatehead, northwards for a distance of 21 metres or thereby;	At any time	At any time
West Bow	East side, from a point 51 metres or thereby north of the extended northern kerbline of Cowgatehead, northwards then eastwards for a distance of 15 metres or thereby.	At any time	At any time

SCHEDULE 3
PROHIBITION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

(1) <i>Road in Edinburgh</i>	(2) <i>Length of Road</i>	(3) <i>Prohibited Hours</i>	(4) <i>Exemptions in Schedule 5</i>	(5) <i>Operational Period</i>
Cockburn Street	From the extended southern kerbline of Market Street to the extended northern kerbline of High Street;	At any time	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025
High Street	From a point 3.5 metres or thereby west of the extended western kerbline of South Bridge, westwards for a distance of 24 metres or thereby;	At any time	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025
High Street	From a point 11.5 metres or thereby east of the extended eastern kerbline of Parliament Square, eastwards to a point 6.5 metres or thereby east of the extended eastern kerbline of Cockburn Street;	At any time	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025
South Saint David Street	East side, from a point 21 metres or thereby south of the extended southern kerbline of Saint Andrew Square (<i>south leg</i>), southwards to a point 7.5 metres or thereby north of the extended northern kerbline of Princes Street;	7.30am – 6.30pm	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15	None
Waverley Bridge	From the extended southern kerbline of Princes Street, southwards for a distance of 26 metres or thereby;	At any time	3, 8, 9, 10, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025

<i>(1)</i> <i>Road in Edinburgh</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Length of Road</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Prohibited Hours</i>	<i>(4)</i> <i>Exemptions in Schedule 5</i>	<i>(5)</i> <i>Operational Period</i>
Waverley Bridge	From a point 26 metres or thereby south of the extended southern kerbline of Princes Street, southwards to a point 75 metres or thereby north of the extended northern kerbline of Market Street;	At any time	2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025
Victoria Street/West Bow	From its junction with George IV Bridge to a point 2 metres or thereby north of the north kerbline of the south leg of Grassmarket;	At any time	1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025
West Bow	From its junction with Grassmarket (<i>south leg</i>), northwards for a distance of 2 metres or thereby.	At any time	3, 8, 9, 10, 15	19th February 2024 to 18th August 2025

SCHEDULE 4
ONE-WAY ROAD

<i>(1)</i> <i>Road in Edinburgh</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Length of Road</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Direction of one-way traffic</i>	<i>(4)</i> <i>Exemptions in Schedule 5</i>
High Street	From a point 11.5 metres or thereby east of the extended eastern kerblines of Parliament Square, eastwards to the junction of Cockburn Street.	West to East	8, 9, 10

SCHEDULE 5
EXEMPTIONS FROM SCHEDULES 3 AND 4

For the purposes of the application of this Order to any road specified in Schedules 3 and 4 the expression:

No.	Exemptions	Applicable Schedules
1	means an invalid carriage or a motor vehicle being driven by the holder of a valid disabled person's badge, or where the holder of a valid disabled person's badge is a passenger in said motor vehicle, provided that said vehicle has conspicuously on display, so as to be clearly visible from the front of the vehicle, a valid disabled person's badge.	3
2	means a motor vehicle entering the length of road while the vehicle is in actual use for the purposes of delivering or collecting goods or merchandise or while loading or unloading the vehicle at premises situated on the length of road.	3
3	means a pedal cycle.	3
4	means a local bus.	3
5	means a taxi.	3
6	means a public service vehicle.	3
7	means a waste services vehicle.	3
8	means a vehicle while being used for fire and rescue, ambulance or police force purposes.	3, 4
9	means anything done with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform or a traffic warden.	3, 4
10	means a vehicle being used in connection with the laying, erection, alteration, or repair in or adjacent to a length of road specified in Schedules 3 and 4 to this Order of any sewer, main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, electricity, or of any electronic communications network; or the placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign, if the vehicle cannot be used for that purpose in any other road or length of road, provided that: (a) said works have been authorised by the local authority, (b) the vehicle is materially required to be used in a road listed in Schedules 3 and 4, and (c) notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place and his consent, either generally or specifically, has been obtained and such reasonable conditions he may impose are complied with.	3, 4

No.	Exemptions	Applicable Schedules
11	means a liveried vehicle being used in the service of a local authority, where said vehicle is materially required to be in a road listed in Schedule 3 in pursuance of a statutory duty.	3
12	means a vehicle bearing a valid permit issued by the Council, provided that said permit is otherwise valid for use in the road specified in Schedule 3 by virtue of the terms and conditions of use of that permit as specified in The City of Edinburgh Council (Traffic Regulation; Restrictions on Waiting, Loading and Unloading, Stopping and Parking Places) Designation and Traffic Regulation Order 2018 and that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) said vehicle requires to be used in said road for the purposes of gaining access to premises in or adjacent to said road, and b) said permit is conspicuously displayed on the vehicle at all times during which it is within said road. 	3
13	means any vehicle being used in the course of a funeral, including a hearse carrying a deceased person and any other such vehicle forming part of the funeral procession for the purpose of transporting mourners to/from a funeral service, provided that notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place and his consent, either generally or specifically, has been obtained and such reasonable conditions he may impose are complied with.	3
14	means a vehicle being used in actual connection with; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) an event authorised by the local authority, or (b) a vehicle being used for the purpose of a furniture removal to or from premises located in a road listed in Schedule 3; provided that in each of the above cases the vehicle is materially required to be used in a road listed in Schedule 3 and that notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place and their consent, either generally or specifically, has been obtained and such reasonable conditions he may impose are complied with.	3
15	means a vehicle being used in connection with construction works being undertaken on property adjacent to a road listed in Schedule 3, provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) said works have been authorised by the local authority, (b) the vehicle is materially required to be used in a road listed in Schedule 3, and (c) notice is given twenty-four hours in advance to the Executive Director of Place and their consent, either generally or specifically, has been obtained and such reasonable conditions he may impose are complied with. 	3