

**2013 No. 3173**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A270/A27 (Entry Slip Road) (Bus Lane) (Vehicle Prohibitions) Order 2013**

*Made* - - - - *9th December 2013*

*Coming into force* - - *6th January 2014*

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(1), 2(1) and 2(2), and 4(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order:-

**1.** This Order may be cited as the A270/A27 (Entry Slip Road) (Bus Lane) (Vehicle Prohibitions) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 6th January 2014.

**2.** In this Order –

"the trunk road" means the A27 Trunk Road.

"the slip road" means the A270 slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the A27 Trunk Road.

"the bus lane" means the nearside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the A270 entry slip road from a point 7 metres east of the Stony Mere Junction to a point 207 metres east of that junction.

"traffic sign" means a sign of the size, colour, and type prescribed or authorised under, or having effect as though prescribed or authorised under, section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a);

"a bus" has the meaning given in regulation 22(2) of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b);

"a bus lane" has the meaning given in regulation 23(3) of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b);

"a pedal cycle and taxi" has the meaning given in regulation 4 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b);

"local service" has the meaning given in section 2 of the Transport Act 1985(c);

"water authority" means water or sewerage undertaker within the meaning of the Water Industry Act 1991 (d);

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(a) 1984 c.27; there are amendments to this Act which are not relevant to this Order.  
(b) S.I. 2002 / 3113  
(c) 1985 c.67  
(d) **1991 c.56**

3. Save as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 of this Order, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the bus lane.

4. Nothing in article 3 of this Order shall: a) apply to i) a bus being used in the provision of a local service; ii) a pedal cycle; iii); a Licensed Taxi or Hackney Carriage; iv); a security vehicle being used to transport cash or bullion v) a vehicle which is in the service of an universal service provider to deliver or collect postal packages as defined in section 125 (1) of the Postal Service Act 2000 to premises adjacent to the bus lane and b) render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in the bus lane for as long as may be necessary to: i) enable the vehicle to be used in the service of a local authority or of a water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties; ii) enable goods to be loaded on or unloaded from a vehicle, if the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for such purposes otherwise than in the bus lane; iii) enable a vehicle to be used in connection with: any building operation or demolition; the removal of any obstruction to traffic; the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of that road, or the laying , erection, alteration or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas , water or electricity or any telecommunications apparatus as defined in Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984 (a) or the placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic signs in or near that road; iv) to comply with any direction given by a traffic sign; or due to circumstances beyond the driver's control.

5. Nothing in articles 3 of this Order shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, traffic officer, ambulance or fire and rescue purposes or anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

9th December 2013

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This does not form part of the Order)

Brighton and Hove City Council is introducing a bus and widened cycle lane on Lewes Road as part of its Local Sustainable Transport Fund initiative. This order is proposed to ensure consistency with the Lewes Road scheme as it becomes the A27 entry slip road. By introducing these improved facilities the council is seeking to improve safety, comfort and/or journey times for those who wish to travel by sustainable modes of transport, particularly by bus, taxi and on cycles between the city centre and Falmer.

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(a) 1984 c.12

