



Road Races Act 1982

RAMSEY SPRINT ORDER 2002

Coming into Operation

7th May 2002

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Department of Transport by Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Races Act 1982¹, and of all other enabling powers, the following Order is hereby made:-

Introductory

1. Citation and commencement

This Order may be cited as the Ramsey Sprint Order 2002 and shall come into operation on the 7th May 2002.

2. Interpretation

(1) In this Order :-

“the Clerk of the Course” means the official so designated by the promoter in the Official Programme of the Ramsey Sprint Races and includes (in the absence of the Clerk of the Course) any Deputy Clerk of the Course so designated;

“the Department” means the Department of Transport;

“marshal” means a marshal appointed by the Chief Constable under Section 3 of the Road Races Act 1982;

“the Course” means the roads and portions of roads set out and described in Schedule 1 and includes parts of the Course;

“the promoter” means Straightline Promotions;

“the sprint day” means the day specified in Article 3(1);

“the sprint period” means the period of time specified in Article 3(1) when the Course (subject to Article 5 is closed to traffic in order to permit sprinting and purposes incidental thereto.

“the senior police officer” means a member of the Isle of Man Constabulary of the rank of sergeant or above who is authorised by the Chief Constable to act as senior police officer under this Order.

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Authorisation to use roads for the sprints

3. Authorisation of use of Course for the sprints

(1) The promoter is authorised to use the Course for motorcycle sprints including preliminary practices on the 4th June 2002 from the hour of 9.00 a.m. until the sprints are officially notified as completed in accordance with Article 8 or until the hour of 5.00 p.m. whichever shall be the earlier.

(2) The promoter may for any reason cancel the sprints, or any section of the sprints.

(3) Where the promoter cancels the sprints or any section of the sprints under paragraph (2) and notifies the senior police officer of such cancellation the relevant authorisation under paragraph (1) of this paragraph shall cease to have effect so far as it relates to the sprints or section of the sprints.

Regulation of traffic etc.

4. Suspension of right of way etc.

Subject to Article 5, during any closure period in relation to any part of the Course -

(a) the right of way over it is suspended; and

(b) no traffic may pass on to or over it.

5. Exemptions from Article 4

(1) Article 4(a) does not apply to the following persons -

(a) the Clerk of the Course;

(b) the promoters;

(c) persons appointed by the promoter as officials for the purpose of the sprint;

(d) constables;

(e) persons lawfully taking part in the sprints and their attendants;

(f) media representatives and photographers approved by the promoter and bearing an official badge or armband issued by the promoter;

(g) any other person authorised in writing by the Department or the Chief Constable.

(2) Article 4(b) does not apply to the following vehicles -

(a) vehicles approved by the promoters or the senior police officer for the conveyance of persons mentioned in paragraph (1)(b), (c) and (f);

(b) motorcycles engaged in the sprints.

6. Provision of the postponement of sprints

In the event of bad visibility, adverse weather conditions or any other circumstances (whether or not they relate to bad visibility or weather conditions) which may obtain on the 4th June 2002 the sprint day may be postponed to the 6th June 2002 and in such event this order shall have effect where the context so admits as if that day were substituted for the 4th June 2002.

7. Publicity for cancellation etc.

Where the senior police officer is notified of the cancellation of the sprints or a section of the sprints under Article 3(3), he shall take such measures as he considers appropriate to inform the public of the effect of it.

8. Notification of end of closure

(1) At the end of the sprints on the sprint day for which an authorisation under Article 3 is in force:-

- (a) the promoters, or
- (b) the senior police officer after consulting the promoters,

shall make such provisions as seem most expedient for giving official notification to the public of the conclusion of the sprints and the opening of the Course to traffic.

9. Prohibited areas

No pedestrians or other traffic other than persons authorised under Article 5 shall be permitted on any area of land specified in Schedule 2 and indicated by notices bearing the words "Prohibited Area" while the part of the Course adjacent to such area is closed for practices or sprints under Article 3(1).

10. Erection of barriers and signs

(1) The promoter shall ensure that barriers, diversion signs and closure signs are erected and maintained on all roads leading on to the Course immediately before, or as soon as possible after, the beginning of every closure period on the sprint day, and in any event before the relevant part of the Course is used.

(2) The barriers referred to in paragraph (1) shall consist of -

(a) tubular steel structures supplied by the Department with suitable signs attached, in any case where the Department so directs; or

(b) a rope across the road with a suitable red flag attached, in any other case.

(3) The closure signs referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2)(a) shall be of the size, colour and type shown in diagram 616 in Schedule 2 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 1994².

11. Duty of the Clerk of the Course to notify completion of sprinting

- On the completion of the sprints on the sprint day, the Clerk of the Course shall notify the senior police officer present of such completion. Such police officer shall thereupon ensure that an official motor car, displaying in a prominent position a notice with the words "Roads Open" thereon, shall travel along the Course as the official notification of the completion of the sprints and the Course shall thereupon be open again for traffic.

12. Erection of stands

During the sprint period the promoter may cause to be erected on the scheduled roads, stands or other apparatus for the accommodation of spectators.

13. Insurance

The promoter shall secure the following insurance and indemnities -

- (1) against injury and damage to persons or property arising out of the conduct of the sprints;
- (2) any claims or liability on the Department arising from the conduct of the sprints.

14. Restriction on breaking up the Course for road works

Paragraph 9(1) of Schedule 4 (the Road Works Code) to the Highways Act 1986 shall apply to the Course from the 7th May 2002 to 6th June 2002.

15. Notice of the making of the Order

Public notice of this Order shall be given by advertisement in two Isle of Man newspapers.

SCHEDULE 1

1. That length of Mooragh Promenade, Ramsey from a point thereon 20 metres north of its junction with Park Road southwards to its junction with Premier Road (but exclusive of the whole of the Mooragh Promenade footway).
2. Those portions of all roads leading into the foregoing roads from such points thereon as may be fixed by or on behalf of the Department and indicated by barriers and diversion signs.

SCHEDULE 2

An area of land 25 metres wide immediately abutting the landward side of the Course from the start line to Premier Road.

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Minister for Transport