

Statutory Document No. 2020/0348



Emergency Powers Act 1936

EMERGENCY POWERS (CORONAVIRUS) (SPEED LIMITS) (NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2020

Laid before Tynwald: 17 June 2020
Approved by Tynwald: NOT MOVED
Coming into Operation: in accordance with regulation 2

The Governor in Council makes the following Regulations under section 4 of the Emergency Powers Act 1936.

1 Title

These Regulations are the Emergency Powers (Coronavirus) (Speed Limits) (No. 3) Regulations 2020.

2 Commencement

These Regulations come into operation immediately after they are made¹.

3 Interpretation

In these Regulations –

“**the Act**” means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1985;

“**Coronavirus**” means severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV2);

“**the Coronavirus Proclamation period**” means the period for which the following proclamations are in operation –

- (a) the Proclamation of Emergency dated 14 April 2020²; and
- (b) all subsequent consecutive Proclamations of Emergency that relate to the pandemic of Coronavirus (also known as COVID-19);

¹ By virtue of section 4(2) of the Emergency Powers Act 1936, the Regulations made under this Order must be laid before Tynwald within 7 days of being made and continue in force beyond 7 days of so being laid only if Tynwald passes a resolution to that effect.

² SD 2020/0250

4 Temporary modification of the Act

- (1) With effect from 15 June 2020, during the Coronavirus Proclamation period, the Act is modified as follows.
- (2) Section 22 (speed limits – general) is to be read as if –
 - (a) the following were substituted for subsection (1)(a) –
 - (a) imposed in relation to the road by or under section 23 (including that section as modified under the Emergency Powers Act 1936) or 24 or any other enactment;■; and
 - (b) subsection (2) were omitted.
- (3) Section 23 (general speed limits) is to be read as if the following were substituted for subsection (1)(b) –
 - (b) outside any such district, shall be 60 miles per hour or the speed designated by order of the Department in relation to that road for the purposes of this paragraph;■.

5 Revocation

On 15 June 2020 (when the temporary modifications of the Act specified in regulation 4 come into effect), the Emergency Powers (Coronavirus) (Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 2020³ are revoked.

MADE AT 18:43 ON 12 JUNE 2020

W GREENHOW
Chief Secretary

³ SD 2020/0220

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made by the Governor in Council under section 4 of the Emergency Powers Act 1936 (“the 1936 Act”) and following a proclamation of a state of emergency under section 3 of that Act. They are in furtherance of securing the essentials of life to the community of the Islands and for the protection of the economy of the Island.

As these Regulations are the third set of emergency regulations that adjust the speed limit for the Island’s roads, they revoke and replace their predecessor Regulations, i.e. the Emergency Powers (Coronavirus) (Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (SD 2020/0220).

The means by which these Regulations adjust the speed limit as aforesaid is to modify sections 22(2) and 23(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1985. Notably, whilst pursuant to section 4(2) of the 1936 Act these Regulations come into operation immediately upon being made, the modifications they make to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1985 do not take effect until 15 June 2020. As a result, the repeal of SD 2020/0220 likewise does not take effect until 15 June 2020.