

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967, as amended by Part IX of the Transport Act 1968 on the Leeds-Wetherby Trunk Road, the effect of which will be to prohibit all commercial vehicles of over 5 tons unladen weight from proceeding in a southbound direction in that length of the trunk road which extends from its junction with the A1 trunk road at Wetherby to its junction with the A659 at Wattle-syke, Collingham.

Exceptions will be provided in the Order to enable a commercial vehicle of over 5 tons to proceed in a south-bound direction in that length of trunk road if the vehicle is being used in connection with any building operation or demolition: the removal of any obstruction to traffic; the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the said length of road or the services therein; a local authority or water authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties, or for the purposes of agriculture on any land adjacent to that length of road, or in connection with the conveyance or haulage of timber filled upon such land.

A copy of the proposed draft Order together with a plan illustrating the proposal and a statement explaining the Secretary of State's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected during office hours at the offices of the Regional Controller (Roads and Transportation) City House, Leeds, LS1 4JD.

Any person desiring to object to the Secretary of State's proposals to make the Order should send not later than 24th January 1979 and to the Regional Controller's address listed above quoting reference DYH 5040/41/6/TR71/1 a written statement of his/her objection and of the grounds thereof.

M. Aspinall, Department of Transport.

*The Trunk Road (Valley Road, Ipswich) (A.12)
(Restriction of Traffic) Order 1978*

The Secretary of State for Transport has made an Order under section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 as amended by Part IX of the Transport Act 1968 on that length of the London-Great Yarmouth Trunk Road (A.12) known as Valley Road, Ipswich in the County of Suffolk.

The effect of the Order, which comes into operation on 12th January 1979, is to direct all vehicles entering Valley Road from its westernmost junction with Valley Road Southern Service Road to turn left only.

Any person who desires to question the validity of the Order or of any provision contained therein, on the ground that it is not within the powers with respect to the Order conferred by the above Act, or on the ground that any requirement of any provision of that Act, or of any instrument made under, has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may within 6 weeks of 2nd January 1979, apply to the High Court for the suspension or quashing of the Order or of any provision contained therein.

A copy of the Order may be inspected during office hours at the offices of the Suffolk County Council at County Hall, Ipswich, or obtained by application to the Secretary of State, Department of Transport, Heron House, 49-51 Goldington Road, Bedford, quoting the reference 507541/7/TR3/05.

W. G. Martin, a Higher Executive Officer in the Department of Transport.

AGRICULTURAL WAGES BOARD FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

AGRICULTURAL WAGES ACT 1948

The Agricultural Wages Board for England and Wales hereby give notice that they propose to vary from 20 January 1979 the minimum rates of wages of agricultural workers.

The proposed new minimum rates are as follows:—

Men and women	Whole-time workers rate per standard week	Ordinary Rates				Night Work Supplement rate per hour
		overtime rate per hour	Part-time workers (other than casual workers) regularly working over 30 hours per week excluding overtime rate per hour	Other part-time workers including casual workers rate per hour	overtime rate per hour	
	£	p	p	p	p	p
Age:—						
20 and over...	48·50	182	121½	106	159	24½
19 ...	43·65	163½	109	95½	143	22
18 ...	38·80	145½	97	85	127½	19½
17 ...	33·95	127½	85	74½	111½	17
16 ...	29·10	109	73	63½	95½	14½
15 ...	25·46	95½	63½	55½	83½	12½
14 ...	—	—	—	50½	—	—
13 ...	—	—	—	47½	—	—
				Weekly rate £	Overtime rate per hour £	Night work supplement per hour p
CRAFTSMEN						
Men and women:—						
Age 20 and over ...	...	...	...	54·56	1·82	24½
19 ^o ...	...	...	...	49·10	1·63½	22
18 ^o ...	...	...	...	43·65	1·45½	19½
APPOINTMENT GRADE II						
Men and women:—						
Age 20 and over ...	...	...	...	58·20	1·82	24½
APPOINTMENT GRADE I						
Men and women:—						
Age 20 and over ...	...	...	...	63·05	1·82	24½

^o These rates apply only to craftsmen who are either qualified former Council apprentices or qualified former Board apprentices.

It is further proposed that from 20 January 1979

(a) stand-by payments be introduced for whole-time workers required by their employers to be on stand-by duty for or in connection with the harvesting of crops on their weekly day-off, on a Sunday, on a public holiday or on a day on which a worker is allowed a holiday. The minimum payment for a full period of stand-by duty (i.e. for 24 hours) in respect of an adult whole-time worker would be £4.85. The rate for juveniles would vary according to age.

(b) the allowance, in addition to the weekly minimum rate, payable to workers required by their employers to keep a dog or dogs should be increased to £1.46 in respect of the first or second dog and to £1.11 for each additional dog.