

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (BEDFORD CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2017 (AMENDMENT NO.35) ORDER 2025

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL ("the Council") in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) of, and Part IV of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended ("the Act") and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following Order:-

- This Order may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (Bedford Controlled Parking Zone) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) Order 2017 (Amendment No.35) Order 2025" and shall come into force on 8th December 2025.
- 2. Except where otherwise stated and referenced in this Order a number or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.
- 3. Save as provided in Articles 4, 5 and 6 of this Order no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform or a Civil Enforcement Officer as defined by the Traffic Management Act 2004, cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
 - 4. (i) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for so long as may be necessary to enable:-
 - (a) a person to board or alight from the vehicle; or
 - (b) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road to be used in connection with any building operation or demolition, the removal of any obstruction to traffic, the maintenance improvement or reconstruction of any of the lengths of road so referred to or in the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near the said lengths of road of any sewer or main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telegraphic line as described in the Telegraph Act 1878; or
 - (c) the vehicle to be loaded or unloaded while it is in actual use in connection with the removal of furniture from one office or dwelling house to another or the removal of furniture between such premises and its depository; or
 - (d) the vehicle if it is in the service of or employed by a universal service provider (as defined in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011) to be used for the purpose of delivering and/or collecting postal packets (as defined in Section 125(1) of the Postal Services Act 2011); or
 - (e) the vehicle to be used for fire brigade, ambulance, police or special forces purposes; or
 - (f) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes in any other road to be used of a Local Authority in pursuance of Statutory Powers or duties; or

- (g) the vehicle to wait at or near to any premises situated on or adjacent to the said lengths of road for so long as such waiting by that vehicle is reasonably necessary in connection with any wedding or funeral; or
- (h) the person in control of the vehicle if required by law to stop, or if obliged to do so in order to avoid an accident, or if prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond their control.
- (ii) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for a maximum of 20 minutes between the stated times to enable goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.
- 5. Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle which lawfully displays in the relevant position a disabled persons badge and parking disc (on which the driver of the vehicle has marked the time at which the waiting began) to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
 - 6. (i) For the purposes of Article 5 "disabled persons badge" and "parking disc" have the same meanings as in "The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000".
 - (ii) For the purpose of this Order a vehicle shall be regarded as displaying:-
 - (a) a disabled persons badge in the relevant position when:
 - in the case of a vehicle fitted with a front windscreen the badge is exhibited thereon with the obverse side facing forwards on the nearside of and immediately behind the windscreen and with its front facing forward so as to be legible from outside the vehicle; or
 - (ii) in the case of a vehicle not fitted with a front windscreen the badge is exhibited in a conspicuous position on the front nearside of the vehicle.
 - (b) a parking disc in the relevant position when the disc is exhibited thereon with the side which shows the time facing forwards or outwards and immediately behind the windscreen or side window nearest to the kerb.
- 7. As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any previous Order made under the Act which relates to waiting in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall be revoked in whole or in part as appropriate.

AUTH	ORITY FOR EXECUTION	l	
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE	
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	27/11//2025	
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE	
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	DG	22/11/2025	
APPROVED BY	AP	22/11/2025	



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STATEMENT OF REASONS

As part of the Town Deal, Bedford Borough Council has carried out highway improvement works in Dame Alice Street and Harpur Street, Bedford. This will entail amending waiting restrictions.

THE COMMON SEAL of the BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

was hereunto affixed this 27th day of November 2025 in the presence of:

David Doorne
Solicitor
Authorised Signatory Manager (GPPL)
Legal Services
Bedford Borough Council



SCHEDULE

Effect of the Order.

1. To revoke all existing waiting and loading restrictions, bus stops and replace with the following:"No waiting at any time" restrictions (double yellow lines) and "No loading at any time" restrictions (double kerb blips) on the following lengths of roads:

Α	Dame Alice Street, Bedford
(i)	On its north side, from its junction with The Broadway to its junction with
	Harpur Street.
В	Harpur Street, Bedford
(i)	On its east side, from its junction with Lime Street to its junction with Dame
	Alice Street.
(ii)	On its west side, from its junction with St Loyes Street to its junction with
	Dame Alice Street.

2. To introduce new "No waiting at any time" restrictions (double yellow lines) and "No loading, Mon – Sat 7.30am – 9.30am & 4pm – 6pm" on the following lengths of roads:

Α	Dame Alice Street, Bedford
(i)	On the south side, extending from its junction with High Street to its junction
	with Harpur Street.
(ii)	On both sides, extending from its junction with Harpur Street to its junction
	with St Loyes Street.

