

WIDTH OF TIRES, AND TRAFFIC.

Heavy Traffic.

2. The width of tires of vehicles (excepting jinkers, traction-engines, and motor-lorries) used upon the said road, whether plying for hire or not, shall bear the following proportion to the number of animals employed to draw the same, viz. :—

If the Number of Animals used to draw a Vehicle having Two Wheels be	Then the Minimum Width of Tires shall be			
	For Vehicles without Springs.	For Vehicles if on Springs.	For Delivery-carts for Conveyance of Goods.	For Pleasure-carts for Conveyance of Persons only.
1	4 inches	3 inches	2 inches	1½ inches.
2	4½ "	4 "	2½ "	1¾ "
3	5 "	4 "	2½ "	1¾ "
4	5 "	4 "	2½ "	1¾ "

If the Number of Animals used to draw a Vehicle having Four Wheels be	Then the Minimum Width of Tires shall be			
	For Vehicles without Springs.	For Lorries.	For Coaches and Expresses.	For Pleasure-carts for Conveyance of Persons only.
1	4 inches	2½ inches	2½ inches	1½ inches.
2	4 "	3 "	2½ "	1¾ "
3	5 "	3½ "	3 "	2 "
4	5 "	4 "	3 "	2 "
5	6 "	4 "	3 "	2 "
6	6 "	4 "	3 "	2 "

3. The width of tires of every jinker used upon the said road shall bear the following proportion to the number of animals employed to draw the same, viz. :—

If the Number of Animals used in a Jinker be	The Minimum Width of Tires on any such Jinker shall be		
	If Two Wheels.	On the Fore Pair of Wheels.	On the Hind Pair of Wheels.
1 or 2 ..	6 inches	4 inches	5 inches.
3 or more ..	6 "	5 "	6 "

4. In respect of every inch width of tires, whether front or rear, the maximum permissible loading of motor-lorries shall not exceed six hundred pounds (600 lb.) avoirdupois.

5. Heavy traffic of all or any kinds shall cease on the said road during the whole of the months of May, June, July, August, and September.

6. The owner of any motor-lorry engaged in heavy traffic (whether plying for hire or not) on the said road shall pay to the Minister a yearly license fee of £6 in respect of each such vehicle which itself or together with passengers or any thing or things capable of being transported thereon, weighs not less than 1½ tons avoirdupois to each pair of wheels, and shall pay an additional £2 yearly for each complete ½ ton avoirdupois carried on such vehicle over such 1½ tons avoirdupois to each pair of wheels. Such license fee shall be payable in advance to the Public Works Engineer on behalf of the Minister.

The driver of every such motor-lorry using the said road shall carry a certificate from the Public Works Engineer as evidence of such license fee having been duly paid, and such certificate shall be produced upon demand made by any overseer, surfaceman, or other person authorized by the Public Works Engineer.

7. Every vehicle, both public and private, other than bicycles, on the said road between one half-hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise shall have at least two efficient lights affixed conspicuously one on each side of the front thereof, and shall also have an efficient light so fixed at the rear of such vehicle as to throw a bright red light to the rear of such vehicle; and all bicycles shall carry one efficient light. Every bicycle with side-car attached shall carry two lights, one on the bicycle and one on the side-car. Every bicycle, whether with or without a side-car attached, shall carry some contrivance for either showing a red light in the opposite direction to that in which such bicycle is proceeding or reflecting the light from an overtaking vehicle. Every motor-lorry shall have a mirror suitably placed so that the driver can obtain a clear view of vehicles approaching from behind.

8. No motor-lorry, machine, or other vehicle or load thereon shall exceed 7 ft. in width over all.

9. The driving-wheels of every traction-engine shall be cylindrical and smooth, solid, or shod with diagonal cross-bars not less than 3 in. in width nor more than ¾ in. in thickness extending the full width of the tire, and the space intervening between each pair of such cross-bars shall not exceed 3 in. The width of the tire of each driving-wheel shall not be less than 12 in. and of the front wheel 7 in. No spikes shall be inserted in or attached to the tires of wheels of traction-engines used upon the said road in such manner as to cut up or otherwise destroy the surface of such road.

10. No traction-engine shall be allowed to travel or remain upon the said road between sunset and sunrise, except in the case of a breakdown of machinery or other unavoidable accident; but such traction-engine shall be repaired and removed off the road without unreasonable delay.

11. A traction-engine shall not be permitted to stand motionless upon the said road for a greater length of time than twenty minutes, except for the purpose of facilitating the passage of horses or vehicles drawn by horses, or in the case of a breakdown of machinery or other unavoidable accident. Any traction-engine which has broken down and cannot be removed off the road must be properly screened so as not to frighten horses, and must be lighted at night. A motor-lorry which has broken down shall be lighted at night if left on any part of the said road.

12. A traction-engine shall not be drawn or propelled along the said road at a greater speed than eight miles an hour, or on a bridge thereon at a greater speed than two miles an hour, except where such speeds are varied by notices erected under the authority of the Public Works Engineer on any portion of the said road or any bridge thereon.

13. A motor-lorry shall not be driven or propelled on the said road at a greater speed than twelve miles per hour, or on a bridge thereon at a greater speed than six miles per hour, except where such speeds are varied by notices erected under the authority of the Public Works Engineer on any portion of the said road or any bridge thereon.

14. The driver or person in charge of a traction-engine or motor-lorry shall give as much space as possible for the passage of ordinary traffic.

15. The driver or person in charge of any traction-engine shall not propel or cause the same to be propelled along or over the said road or any bridge thereon unless the engine shall be accompanied by two men at least, part of whose duty it shall be to keep careful lookout both in front of and behind the engine for horses and vehicles which may be approaching to warn the riders and drivers of such horses and vehicles of the proximity of the engine, and to assist them in passing the engine in safety.

16. The driver or person in charge of any traction-engine or motor-lorry shall, upon being signalled by any person driving stock or by the rider or driver of any horse or horses, immediately stop such engine or motor-lorry so as to allow such traffic to pass in safety.

17. The whistle of a traction-engine shall not be sounded nor shall the cylinder-taps be opened within sight of any person riding, driving, leading, or in charge of a horse or horses upon the road; nor at such time shall steam be allowed to attain a pressure which would cause the safety-valve to blow off steam.

18. No ashes or refuse from a traction-engine shall be stacked on the said road or on or near any bridge or culvert thereon.

19. No traction-engine or vehicle attached thereto, or motor-lorry, shall pass or attempt to pass any vehicle, horse, cattle, or other stock on any dangerous part of the said road; and no traction-engine or vehicle attached thereto, or motor-lorry, shall be propelled or drawn along or upon any bridge at any time while any stock or any person with a horse or vehicle is on the bridge; nor shall any traction-engine or vehicle attached thereto, or motor-lorry, be permitted to stop on any bridge or culvert for any purpose whatever, except in the case of a breakdown of machinery or other unavoidable accident. Any such traction-engine or motor-lorry shall be repaired and removed from such bridge or culvert without unreasonable delay.

20. Where the said road crosses a railway or tramway, or is crossed or intersected by another road, the said road is deemed and is hereby declared to be dangerous for the use of traction-engines and motor-lorries for a distance of two chains on each side of such crossing or intersection.

21. The driver or person in charge of any traction-engine or any wagon or other vehicle other than a motor-lorry engaged in heavy traffic shall give immediate notice to the Public Works Engineer, or overseer or surfaceman in charge of the said road, of any damage done to the said road or bridges, culverts, or fencing thereon by such vehicle. Any damage done or injury caused to the said road, or any bridge or culvert thereon, by any engine, wagon, or other vehicle,