ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995

Environment Act 1995 (Implementation of Measures for Nitrogen Dioxide Compliance) Air Quality Direction 2018

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 85(5) and 86(8) of the Environment Act 1995(**a**), gives the following direction.

In accordance with section 85(6) and 86(9) a copy of this direction will be published in the London Gazette.

The Secretary of State makes this direction having determined that it is necessary in order to meet obligations placed upon the UK under the EU Ambient Air Quality Directive(**b**).

Citation, commencement and application

- 1.—(1) This direction may be cited as the Environment Act 1995 (Implementation of Measures for Nitrogen Dioxide Compliance) Air Quality Direction 2018 and comes into force on 5 October 2018.
 - (2) This direction applies to England.

Interpretation

2. In this direction—

"specified authorities" means the local authorities or County Council listed in Schedule 1;

"specified measures" means the measures described in respect of the specified authorities in the Supplement AQP and summarised in Schedule 2;

"Supplement AQP" means the Supplement to the UK plan for tackling roadside nitrogen dioxide concentrations(\mathbf{c}), drawn up by the Secretary of State in accordance with regulation 26(1) of the Air Quality Standards Regulations 2010(\mathbf{d}) and published on 5 October 2018(\mathbf{e}).

Requirement to take certain steps

3. Each of the specified authorities must implement the specified measures by the dates specified in Schedule 2.

⁽a) 1995 c25.

⁽b) 2008/50/EC OJ No. L 152, 11.06.08, p.1.

⁽c) A copy of the plan is available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/air-quality-plan-for-nitrogen-dioxide-no2-in-uk-2017.

⁽d) S.I. 2010/1001.

⁽e) A copy of the plan will be available at: https://www.gov.uk.

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Specified Authorities

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
Hampshire County Council
Leicester City Council
Newcastle-under-Lyme Council
Portsmouth City Council
Reading Borough Council
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council
South Gloucestershire Borough Council
City of Wolverhampton Council

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Specified Measures

Summary of measures to be implemented as part of the Supplement AQP

Specified Authority	Road Census ID	Measure description	Deadlines
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council; Hampshire County Council	6941	Traffic calming, subject to further scoping studies to be submitted to the Secretary of State for approval	To be implemented, subject to approval, as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council	74559	Signal optimisation	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
	17611	Signal optimisation	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
	57205	Bus retrofit	To be implemented

		programme and signal optimisation	as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2021
Leicester City Council	36524	Enhanced behavioural change programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
Newcastle-under- Lyme Council	6545	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2021
	28732	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2024
	74058	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2025
Portsmouth City Council	48196	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
	18114	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2022
Reading Borough Council	Friar Street	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
	6127	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2021
	46955	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2020
	48360	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2021
Sandwell Metropolitan	17142	Bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible

Borough Council			and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2018
	99155	Signal optimisation and bus retrofit programme	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	86030	Combination of behaviour change measures	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2020
	99175	Combination of behaviour change measures	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
South Gloucestershire Borough Council	17633	Traffic management measures	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2019
City of Wolverhampton Council	28464	Retrofit programme and signal optimisation	To be implemented as soon as possible and at least in time to bring forward compliance to 2020

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the direction)

This direction directs certain English local authorities and a County Council to implement the specified measures listed in Schedule 2 in relation to their duties in respect of air quality under Part 4 of the Environment Act 1995 by the specified deadlines. Under section 85(7) and 86(10) of that Act it is the duty of a local authority or County Council to comply with a direction given to it. A copy of this direction is available at for inspection at Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DF.