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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 1969 (W. 191)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions  
(Guidelines on Levels of Charges) (Wales) Order 2013**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>2 August 2013</i>
<i>Laid before the National Assembly for Wales</i>	- -	<i>7 August 2013</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>2 November 2013</i>

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the power conferred upon the National Assembly for Wales by paragraph 8 of Schedule 9 to the Traffic Management Act 2004<sup>(1)</sup>, and now vested in them<sup>(2)</sup> make the following Order.

**Title, commencement, application and interpretation**

1.—(1) The title of this Order is the Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (Guidelines on Levels of Charges) (Wales) Order 2013, it comes into force on 2 November 2013 and applies in relation to Wales.

(2) In this Order—

“the 2004 Act” (“*Deddf 2004*”) means the Traffic Management Act 2004;

“the General Provisions Regulations” (“*y Rheoliadau Darpariaethau Cyffredinol*”) means the Civil Enforcement of Road Traffic Contraventions (General Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2013<sup>(3)</sup>; and

“road traffic contravention” (“*tramgwydd traffig ffyrdd*”) in relation to Wales means any of the following:

- (a) a parking contravention as described in paragraph 4, Part 1 of Schedule 7 to the 2004 Act;
- (b) a bus lane contravention as described in Part 2 of Schedule 7 to the 2004 Act; or
- (c) a moving traffic contravention as described in Part 4 of Schedule 7 to the 2004 Act.

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(1) [2004 c.18](#).

(2) The functions of the National Assembly for Wales under the Traffic Management Act 2004 were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 ([c.32](#)).

(3) [S.I. 2013/362](#).

## **Guidelines**

2. The guidelines given by the Welsh Ministers, as appropriate national authority for Wales under Part 6 of the 2004 Act, for the setting by enforcement authorities of the level of charges for road traffic contraventions, are those set out in the Schedule.

## **Revocation**

3. The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Guidelines on Levels of Charges) (Wales) Order 2008(4) is hereby revoked.

2 August 2013

*Edwina Hart*  
Minister for the Economy, Science and  
Transport, one of the Welsh Ministers

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

**GUIDELINES FOR THE SETTING BY ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES  
OF CHARGES FOR ROAD TRAFFIC CONTRAVENTIONS**

**Penalty charges for road traffic contraventions**

1.—(1) Penalty charges for road traffic contraventions must be set—

- (a) for higher level contraventions, at the level specified in column (2) of one of the bands in Table 1; and
- (b) for all other contraventions, at the level specified in column (3) of the band selected for higher level contraventions.

(2) The discounted level for a penalty charge which is paid early (that is within 21 days in the case of penalty charges imposed on the basis of a record produced by an approved device under regulation 10 of the General Provisions Regulations and 14 days in all other cases) must be set—

- (a) for higher level contraventions, at the level specified in column (4);
- (b) for all other contraventions, at the level specified in column (5),

of the band specifying the levels of the penalty charges.

(3) The surcharged level for payment of a penalty charge after a charge certificate has been issued must be set—

- (a) for higher level contraventions at the level specified in column (6);
- (b) for all other contraventions at the level specified in column (7),

of the band specifying the levels of the penalty charges.

**Table 1**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>(4)</i>	<i>(5)</i>	<i>(6)</i>	<i>(7)</i>
<i>Band</i>	<i>Higher level penalty charge</i>	<i>Lower level penalty charge</i>	<i>Higher level penalty charge paid early</i>	<i>Lower level penalty charge paid early</i>	<i>Higher level penalty charge paid after service of charge certificate</i>	<i>Lower level penalty charge paid after service of charge certificate</i>
1.	£60	£40	£30	£20	£90	£60
2.	£70	£50	£35	£25	£105	£75

(4) An enforcement authority may set penalty charges in accordance with different bands in the table in different parts of its area, provided that all the charges in each part are set in accordance with the same band.

(5) “Higher level contraventions” are those listed in the Annex.

**Charges for the removal, storage and disposal of vehicles**

2. Charges for the removal, storage and disposal of vehicles found in a civil enforcement area must be those in Table 2.

**Table 2**

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>
<i>Item</i>	<i>Type of charge</i>	<i>Amount of charge</i>
1.	Vehicle removal charge	£105.00
2.	Vehicle storage charge	£12 for each day, or part of day, during which the vehicle is impounded
3.	Vehicle disposal charge	£50.00

### **Release of vehicle from an immobilisation device under section 79 of the Traffic Management Act 2004**

3. The charge payable under regulation 14(2)(b) of the General Provisions Regulations for the release of a vehicle from an immobilisation device must be £40.

### **Saving for powers of the Welsh Ministers**

4. Nothing in these guidelines prejudices or affects the power of the Welsh Ministers under paragraph 8(3) of Schedule 9 to the Traffic Management Act 2004 to permit an enforcement authority to depart from these guidelines.

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

Part 3 (paragraphs 7 to 9) of Schedule 9 to the Traffic Management Act 2004 provides for the setting by enforcement authorities outside Greater London of the levels of charges under Part 6 of that Act (civil enforcement of traffic contraventions) and requires those levels to accord with guidelines given by the appropriate national authority, except where that authority permits an enforcement authority to depart from the guidelines.

By this Order, the Welsh Ministers, as appropriate national authority for Wales, give to enforcement authorities in Wales the guidelines on charges for road traffic contraventions as set out in the Schedule.