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Galway City Council



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SPECIAL SPEED LIMIT
BYE-LAWS NO. 1,
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Galway City Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 9 of the Road Traffic Act, 2004 (No. 44 of 2004) as amended by Section 22 of the Road Traffic Act 2016 and with the consent of Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), and having consulted with the Commissioner of An Garda Síochána, hereby makes the following bye-laws in respect of the area comprising the administrative area of the City of Galway.

1. These bye-laws may be cited as the **Galway City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws No. 1, 2023.**
2. These bye-laws shall come into operation on the **28th August, 2023.**

3. Definitions

In these bye-laws:

“the Act of 1993” means the Roads Act, 1993 (No. 14 of 1993);

“the Act of 2004” means the Road Traffic Act, 2004 (No. 44 of 2004);

“administrative area of the City of Galway” has the meaning assigned to it in section 25(4) (a) and Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014;

“the Minister” means the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport;

“mechanically propelled vehicle” has the meaning specified in Section 3(1) of Part I of the Road Traffic Act 1961;

“distance” means distance measured along the centre line of the road;

“road” means a public road and includes a motorway;

“local road”, “regional road”, “national road”, and “motorway” have the meaning assigned to them by the Act of 1993;

“perimeter road” means a road on and along the roadway of which there runs the boundary of a city, a borough, or a town and shall be considered as being within such boundary for the purposes of these bye-laws;

“built-up area” means the area of a city, a borough or a town within the meaning of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended;

“built-up area speed limit” has the meaning assigned in Section 5 of the Act of 2004.

4. These Bye-Laws prescribe speed limits of 100, 80, 60 and 30 kilometres per hour in respect of the public roads mentioned respectively in the First, Second, Third, and Fourth schedules therein.
5. First Schedule – 100km/h: One hundred kilometres per hour shall be the speed limit for mechanically propelled vehicles on roads specified in the First Schedule to these Bye-Laws.
6. Second Schedule – 80km/h: Eighty kilometres per hour shall be the speed limit for mechanically propelled vehicles on roads specified in the Second Schedule to these Bye-Laws.
7. Third Schedule – 60km/h: Sixty kilometres per hour shall be the speed limit for mechanically propelled vehicles on roads specified in the Third Schedule to these Bye-Laws.
8. Fourth Schedule – 30km/h: Thirty kilometres per hour shall be the speed limit for mechanically propelled vehicles on roads specified in the Fourth Schedule to these Bye-Laws.
9. Exceptions: There shall be excepted from the special speed limits prescribed in these Bye-Laws, the following while being used in the course of duty:-
 - (a) Ambulances;
 - (b) Fire brigade vehicles, and
 - (c) An Garda Síochána vehicles and
 - (d) Any vehicle subject to a speed limit as prescribed by The Minister pursuant to Section 4 of the Road Traffic Act 2004.
10. Regulation 2 of the First Schedule, Regulation 25 of the Second Schedule and Regulation 8 of the Third Schedule of the Road Traffic (Speed Limits) (County

Borough of Galway and County of Galway) Regulations, 1987 (S.I. No. 273/1987), are hereby rescinded.

11. Galway City Council Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2009 are hereby rescinded.

12. The Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) Galway City Bye-Laws, No.1 – 2017 (HOUSING ESTATES SLOW ZONES) remain in force.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Roads in the City of Galway in respect of which a special speed limit of one hundred kilometres per hour (**100 km/h**) is prescribed.

The following roads:

- (i) The N6 from a point 80 metres east of its junction with the R865 Ballybane Road eastwards via the Briar Hill Junction to the Coolagh Roundabout, including the eastbound and the southbound free flow slip roads, and extending eastwards to the City Boundary.
- (ii) The R446 from the Coolagh Roundabout southwards to the Martin Roundabout and extending eastwards to the City Boundary.
- (iii) The N83 Tuam Road from a point 670 metres north of its junction with the L-5039 Castlegar Road (also known as School Road) extending northwards to the City Boundary.

SECOND SCHEDULE

Roads in the City of Galway in respect of which a special speed limit of eighty kilometres per hour (**80km/h**) is prescribed.

The following roads:

- (i) The N6 from a point 100 metres east of its junction with the N84 Headford Road (Kirwan Junction) extending eastwards to its junction with the N83 Tuam Road.
- (ii) The N84 Headford Road from a point 975 metres north of its junction with the L-5041 Bóthar an Chóiste extending northwards to the City Boundary.

THIRD SCHEDULE

Roads in the City of Galway in respect of which a special speed limit of sixty kilometres per hour (**60km/h**) is prescribed.

The following roads:

- i. The N84 Headford Road from a point 173 metres north of its junction with the L-5041 Bóthar an Chóiste extending northwards to a point 975 metres from the said junction.
- ii. The N6 from its junction with the N83 Tuam Road eastwards to a point 80 metres east of its junction with the R865 Ballybane Road.
- iii. The N6 from its junction with the N59 Thomas Hynes Road eastwards to its junction with the R338 Seán Mulvoy Road and R866 Headford Road.
- iv. The N83 Tuam Road from a point 20 metres north of its junction with the L-5039 Castlegar Road (also known as School Road) extending northwards to a point 670 metres from the said junction.
- v. The N59 Moycullen Road from a point 40 metres west of its junction with the L-1020 Circular Road extending northwestwards to the City Boundary.

FOURTH SCHEDULE

Roads in the City of Galway in respect of which a special speed limit of thirty kilometres per hour (**30km/h**) is prescribed.

The following roads:

- (i) All roads within the area enclosed by a continuous closed boundary, but excluding the boundary itself, with the boundary comprising of:
 - a. The N6 from its junction with the R338 Seán Mulvoy Road and R866 Headford Road (Bodkin Junction) to its junction with the R864 Lower Newcastle Road.
 - b. R864 from its junction with the N6 on Lower Newcastle Road to its junction with the R337 at The Crescent via Newcastle Road and St. Mary's Road.
 - c. R337 from its junction with the R864 St. Mary's Road to its junction with the R336 Father Griffin Road via The Crescent and Father Griffin Avenue.
 - d. R336 Father Griffin Road from its junction with the R337 Father Griffin Avenue to its junction with the L-50601 Spanish Parade via Wolfe Tone Bridge.
 - e. L-50601 Spanish Parade from its junction with the R336 to its junction with the L-5057 New Dock Street and Dock Road.
 - f. Dock Road from its junction with the L-50601 Spanish Parade and L-5057 New Dock Street to its junction with the L-5048 Bóthar na Long.
 - g. L-5048 Bóthar na Long / Lough Atalia Road from its junction with the Dock Road to its junction with the R339 College Road.
 - h. R339 College Road from its junction with the L-5048 Lough Atalia Road to its junction with the R338 Moneenageisha Road / Dublin Road.
 - i. R338 from its junction with the R339 College Road to its junction with the N6 and R866 Headford Road (Bodkin Junction) via Moneenageisha Road, Cemetery Cross and Seán Mulvoy Road.
- (ii) L-1004 Dyke Road from the N6 overbridge extending northwards for a distance of 350m.

**Made and adopted under the Common Seal
of Galway City Council this**

day of 2023

**PRESENT when the Common Seal of
Galway City Council was affixed hereto:**

**NOMINATED SIGNATORY
OF GALWAY CITY COUNCIL**