## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

## THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL (CITY CENTRE, ABERDEEN) (TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2023

Aberdeen City Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following order.

## CITATION

1. This order may be cited as "The Aberdeen City Council (City Centre, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management) (Experimental) Order 2023" and shall come into effect on 1 August 2023.

## DEFINITIONS IN RELATION TO SUBSEQUENT ARTICLES

2. In this order, unless the context requires otherwise, the following interpretations shall apply.
"authorised vehicle" has the same meaning given to that expression in the eleventh schedule to this order;
"bus" shall have the same meaning as in Schedule 1 "Definitions" of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016";
"bus lane" shall have the same meaning as in Schedule 1 "Definitions" of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016";
"disabled person's badge" means -
(a) a badge issued under section 21 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled

Persons Act 1970 (c. 44),
(b) a badge issued under a provision of the law of Northern Ireland corresponding to that section, or
(c) a badge issued by any member State other than the United Kingdom for purposes corresponding to the purposes for which badges under that section are issued;
"disabled person's vehicle" means a vehicle lawfully displaying a disabled persons' badge;
"motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in the "Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984";
"pedal cycle" shall have the same meaning as in Schedule 1 "Definitions" of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016";
"private hire vehicle" - shall have the same meaning as in section 23(1) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982;
"taxi" - shall have the same meaning as in section 23(1) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982;

## DISABLED PARKING BAY (SCHOOLHILL)

3. Upon the coming into effect of this order, from midnight to 7.00am, and from 11.00am to midnight, on any day, the length of road specified in the first schedule hereto shall have been taken to be added to the first schedule of "The Aberdeen City Council (Disabled Persons' Parking Places) (Ref 1/16) Order 2016".

## LOADING BAY (SCHOOLHILL)

4. Save as provided in Articles 5, 6, and 7 of this order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, cause or permit any vehicle to wait on the length of road in Aberdeen specified in the first schedule hereto between 7.00am and 11.00am on any day.
5. Nothing in Article 4 of this order shall apply to any goods vehicle being used to load or unload goods or burden at premises accessible only by use of that length of road.
6. Nothing in Article 4 of this order shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait on any of the length of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a person to board or alight from the vehicle;
(b) when the person in control of the vehicle is:
(i) required by law to stop; or
(ii) obliged to stop in order to avoid an accident; or
(iii) prevented from proceeding by any circumstances beyond their control, where the said circumstances relate directly to the movement or otherwise of traffic on the road.
(c) if the vehicle is in material use in connection with a funeral undertaking;
(d) If the vehicle is in the service of, or is being employed by, a security company and is in actual use while currency or other valuables:
(i) are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
(ii) having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered; or
(iii) are being collected from premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been collected from such premises, are being loaded onto the vehicle.
7. Nothing in Article 4 of this order shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait in any of the length of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in or adjacent to that road in connection with any:
(i) building operation;
(ii) demolition;
(iii) laying, erection, alteration, or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, or electricity, or of any electronic communications apparatus; or
(iv) excavation, provided that, in the case of any of the operations described in sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above, the said operation or operations are to be conducted within the extents of the road.
(b) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in connection with the:
(i) cleansing or lighting of any road;
(ii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any road;
(iii) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any road; or
(iv) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on any road.
(c) if the vehicle, being a liveried vehicle, is in the service of, or is being employed by, a universal service provider, and is in actual use while postal packets:
(i) addressed to premises adjacent to that road are being unloaded from the vehicle;
(ii) addressed to premises adjacent to that road and having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered;
(iii) are being collected from postal boxes or premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been so collected, are then being loaded onto the vehicle.

## PROHIBITION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

8. Save as provided in Articles 10, 11, 12 and 13 of this order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on the lengths of road in Aberdeen specified in the second schedule hereto.
9. Save as provided in Article 8 of this order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on the lengths of road in Aberdeen specified in the third schedule hereto.
10. Nothing in Article 8 of this order, shall prevent any person, from driving, or causing or permitting to be driven, any motor vehicle on any day, from midnight until 11.00am, and from 4.30pm until midnight, for the purpose of loading goods or burden to or from premises only accessible from that road.
11. Nothing in Article 8 of this order shall apply to a motor vehicle being used for police, ambulance, or fire and rescue purposes in pursuance of statutory powers or duties, and in any regard for those emergency purposes specified in Item 3 (4), Part 4, Schedule 3 of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016".
12. Nothing in Article 8 of this order, shall prevent any person, from driving, or causing or permitting, to be driven on that road any motor vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road):
(a) to be used in connection with the:
(i) cleansing or lighting of the road;
(ii) winter road maintenance purposes;
(iii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any road;
(iv) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any road; or
(v) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on any road.
(b) if the vehicle, being a liveried vehicle, is in the service of, or is being employed by, a universal service provider, and is in actual use while postal packets:
(i) addressed to premises adjacent to that road are being unloaded from the vehicle;
(ii) addressed to premises adjacent to that road and having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered;
(iii) are being collected from postal boxes or premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been so collected, are then being loaded onto the vehicle
(c) If the vehicle is in the service of, or is being employed by, a security company and is in actual use while currency or other valuables:
(i) are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
(ii) having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered; or
(iii) are being collected from premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been collected from such premises, are being loaded onto the vehicle.
13. Nothing in Article 8 shall apply to a vehicle being used in the service of the local roads authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties relevant to the specified length of road.
14. Nothing in Article 9 of this order, shall prevent any person, from driving, or causing or permitting to be driven, any motor vehicle for the purpose of local access to the lengths of road specified in the third schedule.

## ONE WAY RESTRICTION (EXCEPT FOR PEDAL CYCLES)

15. Save as provided in Article 17 of this order, no person shall drive, or cause. or permit to be driven, any vehicle on Schoolhill, Aberdeen, between its junctions with Belmont Street and Upperkirkgate, other than in an easterly direction.
16. Save as provided in Article 17 of this order, no person shall drive, or cause or permit to be driven, any vehicle on Upperkirkgate, Aberdeen, between its junctions with Schoolhill and Flourmill Lane, other than in an easterly direction.
17. Nothing in Articles 15 and 16 of this order shall apply to a pedal cycle.

## ONE WAY RESTRICTION

18. No person shall drive, or cause or permit to be driven, any vehicle on Trinity Street, Aberdeen, other than in a north-easterly direction.

## ROUTE / LANES FOR USE BY BUSES, GOODS VEHICLES, PEDAL CYCLES, TAXIS AND AUTHORISED VEHICLES ONLY

19. Save as provided by Articles 21 and 24, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any vehicle, on the lengths of road specified in the fourth schedule hereto.
20. Save as provided by Articles 21, 22, 23 and 24 , no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any vehicle, on the lengths of road specified in the fifth schedule hereto.
21. Nothing in Articles 19 and 20 shall apply: -
(a) to a bus;
(b) to a goods vehicle;
(c) to a pedal cycle;
(d) to a taxi;
(e) to an authorised vehicle; or
(f) to a motor vehicle being used for police, ambulance, or fire and rescue purposes in pursuance of statutory powers or duties in an emergency situation, and in any regard for those emergency purposes specified in Item 3 (4), Part 4, Schedule 3 of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016";
22. Nothing in Article 20 of this order, provided a driver as soon as reasonably practicable causes the vehicle to leave the bus lane thereafter, shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to enter the lengths of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a person to board or alight from the vehicle;
(b) to enable goods or burden to be loaded onto, or unloaded, from the vehicle;
(c) when the person in control of the vehicle is:
(i) required by law to stop; or
(ii) obliged to stop in order to avoid an accident; or
(iii) prevented from proceeding by any circumstances beyond their control, where the said circumstances relate directly to the movement or otherwise of traffic on the road.
(d) if the vehicle is in material use in connection with a funeral undertaking;
(e) If the vehicle is in the service of, or is being employed by, a security company and is in actual use while currency or other valuables:
(i) are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
(ii) having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered; or
(iii) are being collected from premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been collected from such premises, are being loaded onto the vehicle.
23. Nothing in Article 20 of this order, provided a driver as soon as reasonably practicable causes the vehicle to leave the bus lane thereafter, shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to enter the lengths bus lanes referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in or adjacent to that road in connection with any:
(i) building operation;
(ii) demolition;
(iii) laying, erection, alteration, or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, or electricity, or of any electronic communications apparatus; or
(iv) excavation, provided that, in the case of any of the operations described in sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above, the said operation or operations are to be conducted within the extents of the road.
(b) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in connection with the:
(i) cleansing or lighting of any road;
(ii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any road;
(iii) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any road; or
(iv) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on any road.
(c) if the vehicle, being a liveried vehicle, is in the service of, or is being employed by, a universal service provider, and is in actual use while postal packets:
(i) addressed to premises adjacent to that road are being unloaded from the vehicle;
(ii) addressed to premises adjacent to that road and having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered;
(iii) are being collected from postal boxes or premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been so collected, are then being loaded onto the vehicle.
24. Nothing in Articles 19 and 20 of this order shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to enter the lengths of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in or adjacent to that road in connection with any:
(i) building operation;
(ii) demolition;
(iii) laying, erection, alteration, or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, or electricity, or of any electronic communications apparatus; or
(iv) excavation, provided that, in the case of any of the operations described in sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above, the said operation or operations are to be conducted within the extents of the road.
(b) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in connection with the:
(i) cleansing, or lighting of any road;
(ii) winter road maintenance purposes;
(ii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any road;
(iii) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any road; or
(iv) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on any road.

## PROHIBITION OF TURNS

25. Save as provided by Articles 29 and 30, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on Union Terrace, Aberdeen, so as to make a right turn onto Rosemount Viaduct.
26. Save as provided by Article 30, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on Flourmill Lane, Aberdeen, so as to turn left onto Upperkirkgate.
27. Save as provided by Articles 29 and 30, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on any of the roads specified in Column 1 of the sixth schedule to this Order so as to make a right turn onto the road specified opposite to such road in Column 2 of the said schedule.
28. Save as provided by Articles 29 and 30 , no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, drive, or cause, or permit to be driven, any motor vehicle on any of the roads specified in Column 1 of the seventh schedule to this Order so as to make a left turn onto the road specified opposite to such road in Column 2 of the said schedule.
29. Nothing in Articles 27 and 28 shall apply: -
(a) to a bus;
(b) to a taxi; or
(c) to an authorised vehicle.
30. Nothing in Articles 25, 26, 27 and 28 shall apply to a motor vehicle being used for police, ambulance, or fire and rescue purposes in pursuance of statutory powers or duties in an emergency situation, and in any regard for those emergency purposes specified in Item 3 (4), Part 4, Schedule 3 of the Statutory Instrument 2016 No. 362 "The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016".

## DISABLED PARKING PLACES

31. Upon the coming into effect of this order, the length of road in Aberdeen specified in the eighth schedule hereto shall be added to the first schedule of "The Aberdeen City Council (Disabled Persons' Parking Places in Aberdeen City Centre) (Regulatory Parking Places) Order 2015".

## PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND LOADING

32. Save as provided in Articles 33 and 34 of this order, no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable in uniform, cause or permit any vehicle to wait at any time on the length of road specified in the ninth schedule hereto.
33. Nothing in in Article 32 of this order shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait on any of the lengths of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a person to board or alight from the vehicle;
(b) when the person in control of the vehicle is:
(i) required by law to stop; or
(ii) obliged to stop in order to avoid an accident; or
(iii) prevented from proceeding by any circumstances beyond their control, where the said circumstances relate directly to the movement or otherwise of traffic on the road.
(d) if the vehicle is in material use in connection with a funeral undertaking;
(e) If the vehicle is in the service of, or is being employed by, a security company and is in actual use while currency or other valuables:
(i) are being unloaded from the vehicle; or
(ii) having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered; or
(iii) are being collected from premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been collected from such premises, are being loaded onto the vehicle.
34. Nothing in Article 32 of this order shall prevent any person from causing or permitting a vehicle to wait in any of the lengths of road referred to in that article for so long as may be necessary:
(a) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in or adjacent to that road in connection with any:
(i) building operation;
(ii) demolition;
(iii) laying, erection, alteration, or repair of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water, or electricity, or of any electronic communications apparatus; or
(iv) excavation, provided that, in the case of any of the operations described in sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above, the said operation or operations are to be conducted within the extents of the road.
(b) to enable a vehicle in actual use or materially necessary for such purpose (provided that the vehicle cannot conveniently be used for the same purpose in any other road) to be used in connection with the:
(i) cleansing or lighting of any road;
(ii) removal of any obstruction to traffic on any road;
(iii) maintenance or improvement or reconstruction of any road; or
(iv) placing, maintenance or removal of any traffic sign or parking meter on any road.
(c) if the vehicle, being a liveried vehicle, is in the service of, or is being employed by, a universal service provider, and is in actual use while postal packets:
(i) addressed to premises adjacent to that road are being unloaded from the vehicle;
(ii) addressed to premises adjacent to that road and having been unloaded from the vehicle, are being delivered;
(iii) are being collected from postal boxes or premises adjacent to that road for loading onto the vehicle; or
(iv) having been so collected, are then being loaded onto the vehicle.

## MANDATORY 20MPH SPEED LIMIT

35. No person shall drive, or cause or permit to be driven, any vehicle at a speed exceeding 20 mph on the lengths of road specified in the tenth schedule hereto.

## AMENDMENT

36. Upon the coming into effect of this order Articles 26 and 27 of "The Aberdeen City Council (Central Union Street / Belmont Quarter, Aberdeen) (Traffic Management) Order 2023" are hereby revoked.

Given by Aberdeen City Council on this Twenty-fourth Day of July in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-three.


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## First Schedule

## (Loading Bay / Disabled Bay)

## Schoolhill

South side, from 19 metres or thereby east of its junction with Belmont Street, eastwards for a distance of 27 metres or thereby.

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Witness

## Second Schedule

('Pedestrian and Cycle Zone - Prohibition of motor vehicles at any time, except for loading from midnight to 11.00am, and from 4.30pm to midnight)

## Upperkirkgate

Between its junctions with Schoolhill and Flourmill Lane.

## Schoolhill

Between its junctions with Back Wynd and Upperkirkgate


Witness

## Third Schedule

(Prohibition of motor vehicles, except for access)
Unless otherwise stated, the length of road concerned is in its entirety.

- Bath Street
- Bridge Place
- Bridge Street - southbound carriageway between its junctions with Union Street and Bath Street.
- Bridge Street - northbound carriageway between its junction with Union Street and a point 36 metres or thereby south of its junction with Bath Street.
- Broad Street - between its junctions with Union Street and Queen Street.
- Carmelite Lane
- Carmelite Street - from its junction with the Green, southwards for a distance of 78 metres or thereby.
- Carmelite Street - inner two lanes, between its junction with Trinity Street and Guild Street.
- Castle Street
- Concert Court
- Guild Street - westbound carriageway between its junction with Exchange Street and its junction with the access that serves Aberdeen Railway Station.
- Guild Street - eastbound carriageway between its junctions with Carmelite Street and Stirling Street.
- Exchange Lane
- Exchange Street
- Exchequer Row
- Green
- Hadden Street
- Imperial Place
- King Street - between its junctions with Castle Street and East North Street.
- Lodge Walk
- Marischal Street
- Market Street - between its junctions with Guild Street and Union Street.
- Queen Street
- Union Street - between its junctions with Castle Street and the Adelphi.
- Shiprow
- Shoe Lane
- Shore Brae
- Stirling Street
- Trinity Lane
- Trinity Street


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## Fourth Schedule

(Bus Gates - Route for use by buses, goods vehicles, pedal cycles, taxis and authorised vehicles only)

## Bridge Street

The southbound carriageway, between its junctions with Bath Street and Wapping Street.

## Guild Street

The eastbound carriageway, between its junctions with Stirling Street and Exchange Street.

The eastbound carriageway, between its junctions with Exchange Street and Market Street.

The westbound carriageway, between its junctions with Exchange Street and Market Street.

## Market Street

The northbound carriageway, between its junctions with Hadden Street and Union Street.

## Union Street

The westbound carriageway, between its junctions with Market Street and Adelphi.
The westbound carriageway, from its junction with Market Street, westwards for a distance of 20 metres or thereby.

The eastbound carriageway, from its junction with Union Terrace, eastwards for a distance of 26 metres or thereby.


## Fifth Schedule

(Bus Lanes - Lanes for use by buses, goods vehicles, pedal cycles, taxis and authorised vehicles only)

## Bridge Street

Inside lane of the northbound carriageway, between a point 36 metres or thereby south of its junction with Bath Street and a point 19 metres or thereby north of its junction with College Street.

Outside lane of the northbound carriageway, from a point 11 metres or thereby south of its junction with Union Street, southwards for a distance of 18 metres or thereby.

## Union Street

Central lane of the eastbound carriageway, from a point 15 metres or thereby west of its junction with Union Terrace, westwards for a distance of 17 metres or thereby.

## Market Street

Inside lane of the northbound carriageway, from a point 18 metres or thereby south of its junction with Guild Street, southwards for a distance of 45 metres or thereby.

## Trinity Quay

Outside westbound lane of Trinity Quay, from its junction with Market Street and a point 72 metres or thereby east of its junction with Market Street.


## Sixth Schedule

(Prohibition of right turn - except for buses, goods vehicles, pedal cycles, taxis, and authorised vehicles)

| Column 1 <br> (from) | Column 2 <br> (to) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bath Street | Bridge Street |
| St Catherine's Wynd | Union Street |
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Witness

## Seventh Schedule

(Prohibition of left turn - except for buses, goods vehicles, pedal cycles, taxis, and authorised vehicles)

| Column 1 <br> (from) | Column 2 <br> (to) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Adelphi | Union Street |
| Exchange Street | Guild Street |
| Market Street | Guild Street |

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Witness

## Eighth Schedule

## (Disabled Parking Bays)

## Flourmill Lane

East side, from 2 metres or thereby north-west of its junction with Netherkirkgate, northwestwards for a distance of 18 metres or thereby.

## Carmelite Lane

West side, from 12 metres or thereby south of its junction with Stirling Street, southwards for a distance of 7 metres or thereby.

## Stirling Street

East side, from 7 metres or thereby south of its junction with Hadden Street, southwards for a distance of 7 metres or thereby.

## Exchange Street

West side, from 8 metres or thereby south of its junction with Hadden Street, southwards for a distance of 7 metres or thereby.


Witness

## Ninth Schedule

## Guild Street

South side, between its junctions with the accesses that serve the Aberdeen Bus Station and the Aberdeen Railway Station.


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Witness

Tenth Schedule<br>(Mandatory 20mph Speed Limit)

Unless otherwise stated, the length of road concerned is in its entirety.

- Bridge Street
- Carmelite Street
- College Street - from its junction with Bridge Street / Guild Street, southwards for a distance of 50 metres or thereby.
- Guild Street
- Wapping Street.


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Witness

## Eleventh Schedule

## (Definition of an authorised vehicle)

A vehicle is an authorised vehicle for the purposes of this Order if it is -

- a private hire vehicle.


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Witness

