

## THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

### BYLAW NO. 2019-38

A bylaw to designate lanes on Regional roads  
for the exclusive use of certain classes of vehicles

The Council of The Regional Municipality of York hereby enacts as follows:

1. In this bylaw,

**“bicycle”** includes a tricycle and unicycle but does not include a motor assisted bicycle or a power-assisted bicycle;

**“motor assisted bicycle”** means a motor assisted bicycle as defined under the *Highway Traffic Act*;

**“motor vehicle”** includes an automobile, a motorcycle, a motor assisted or power-assisted bicycle and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power but excludes a farm tractor, road-building machine and bicycle;

**“motorcycle”** means a motorcycle as defined under the *Highway Traffic Act*;

**“power-assisted bicycle”** means a power-assisted bicycle as defined under the *Highway Traffic Act*; and

**“vehicle”** includes a motor vehicle, trailer, traction engine, farm tractor, road-building machine, bicycle and any vehicle drawn, propelled or driven by any kind of power, including muscular power.

2. The portion of the highway set out in Column 1 of Schedule A between the limits set out in Column 2 is hereby designated a high occupancy vehicle lane for the exclusive use of those vehicles listed in Column 3 during the times set out in Column 4.
3. No person shall operate a vehicle in a high occupancy vehicle lane unless:
  - (a) the vehicle is of a class designated in Column 3 of Schedule A;
  - (b) the vehicle is a public vehicle or a bus as defined in the *Highway Traffic Act*;

- (c) the person is operating an emergency vehicle, as defined in section 144 of the *Highway Traffic Act*, in the performance of his or her duties;
  - (d) the person is operating the vehicle in the lawful performance of his or her duties as a police officer;
  - (e) the person is operating a vehicle engaged in road construction or maintenance activities in or near the high occupancy vehicle lane; or
  - (f) the vehicle is a taxicab as defined in the *Public Vehicles Act*.
4. The portion of the highway set out in Column 1 of Schedule B between the limits set out in Column 2 is hereby designated a bicycle lane for the exclusive use of bicycles during the times set out in Column 3.
5. No person shall operate a vehicle in a bicycle lane except for:
- (a) a bicycle;
  - (b) a public vehicle or a bus as defined in the *Highway Traffic Act* or a taxicab as defined in the *Public Vehicles Act*, and for the purpose only of picking up or dropping off passengers at the curb;
  - (c) an emergency vehicle, as defined in section 144 of the *Highway Traffic Act*, operated by a person in the performance of his or her duties;
  - (d) a vehicle operated by a person in the lawful performance of his or her duties as a police officer; or
  - (e) a vehicle operated by a person engaged in road construction or maintenance activities in or near the bicycle lane.
6. Despite Sections 3 and 5 of this bylaw:
- (a) when entering a regional road, a person may remain in a lane designated in Column 1 of Schedule A or Schedule B for a distance of up to 100 metres from the point at which he or she enters; and
  - (b) when exiting from a regional road, a person may enter a lane designated in Column 1 of Schedule A or Schedule B for a distance of up to 100 metres before the point at which he or she exits.
7. Any person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence.

8. Every person who is guilty of an offence under this bylaw shall be subject to the following penalties:
  - (a) upon a first conviction, to a fine of not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$1,000.00;
  - (b) upon a second or subsequent conviction for an offence under this bylaw, to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$10,000.00.
9. For the purposes of this bylaw, an offence is a second or subsequent offence if the act giving rise to the offence occurred after a conviction had been entered at an earlier date for an offence under this bylaw.
10. Schedules A and B are attached and form part of this bylaw.
11. That Bylaw Nos. 2009-23, 2009-51, 2010-30, 2012-15, 2013-29, 2015-32, 2015-47 and 2017-21 are hereby repealed.

ENACTED AND PASSED on June 27, 2019.

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Regional Clerk

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Regional Chair

*Authorized by Item E.2.3 of the Committee of the Whole of June 13, 2019, adopted by Regional Council at its meeting on June 27, 2019*

**SCHEDULE A**  
**HOV Lanes**

<b>COLUMN 1</b> (Portion of highway)	<b>COLUMN 2</b> (Limits)	<b>COLUMN 3</b> (Class of Vehicle)	<b>COLUMN 4</b> (Times)
Yonge Street (Y.R. 1) curb lane	North limit of Steeles Avenue to the south limit of Clark Avenue	motor vehicles with three (3) or more persons  bicycles, motorcycles, motor assisted bicycles and motor assisted scooters	7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53) the lane immediately adjacent to the designated bicycle lane	North limit of Steeles Avenue to the south limit of Caraway Drive	motor vehicles with two (2) or more persons  motorcycles and motor assisted scooters	7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53) curb lane	North limit of Caraway Drive to the south limit of Langstaff Road	motor vehicles with two (2) or more persons  bicycles, motorcycles, motor assisted bicycles and motor assisted scooters	7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday to Friday
Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) two centre lanes	East limit of Bayview Avenue (Y.R. 34) to the west limit of South Town Centre Boulevard	bus rapid transit vehicles	24 hours, 7 days a week
Davis Drive (Y.R. 31) two centre lanes	From 200 metres west of the west limit of Yonge Street (Y.R. 1) to 150 metres east of the east limit of Roxborough Road/ Patterson Street	bus rapid transit vehicles	24 hours, 7 days a week

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Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) centre lane	West limit of Bowes Road to the east limit of Jane Street (Y.R. 7)	bus rapid transit vehicles	24 hours, 7 days a week
Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) curb lane	West limit of Sciberras Road to the east limit of Town Centre Boulevard	motor vehicles with two (2) or more persons  bicycles, motorcycles, motor assisted bicycles and motor assisted scooters	Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Major Mackenzie Drive (Y.R. 25) curb lane	West limit of Highway 400 to the east limit of Pine Valley Drive (Y.R. 57)	motor vehicles with two (2) or more persons  bicycles, motorcycles, motor assisted bicycles and motor assisted scooters	Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) eastbound rapidway located in the centre lane	West limit of the connector with Yonge Street to the east limit of the connector with Bathurst Street	bus rapid transit vehicles	Effective July 1, 2019 24 hours, 7 days a week
Bathurst Street Connector Road (part of Highway 7)	North limit of Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) to the east limit of Bathurst Street (Y.R. 38)	bus rapid transit vehicles	Effective July 1, 2019 24 hours, 7 days a week
Bathurst Street (Y.R. 38) centre lane	South limit of the connector with Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) to 200 metres south	bus rapid transit vehicles	Effective July 1, 2019 24 hours, 7 days a week

**SCHEDULE B**  
**Bicycle Lanes**

<b>COLUMN 1</b> (Portion of highway)	<b>COLUMN 2</b> (Limits)	<b>COLUMN 3</b> (Times)
Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53) curb lane as marked	North limit of Steeles Avenue to the south limit of Caraway Drive	24 hours, 7 days a week
Highway 7 (Y.R. 7) curb lane	East limit of Bayview Avenue (Y.R. 34) to the west limit of South Town Centre Boulevard	24 hours, 7 days a week