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ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Goods Vehicles (Carriers' and Operators' Licences) (Fees)
Regulations 1969**

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<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		23rd December 1969
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		31st December 1969

The Minister of Transport in exercise of his powers under sections 182 and 190 of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a) as amended by section 22 of the Road Traffic Act 1962(b), sections 89(1) and 91(1) of the Transport Act 1968(c), and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 260(2) of the said Act of 1960 and section 91(8) of the said Act of 1968, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Commencement and citation

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 31st December 1969 and may be cited as the Goods Vehicles (Carriers' and Operators' Licences) (Fees) Regulations 1969.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations the expression “the Regulations of 1960” means the Goods Vehicles (Licences and Prohibitions) Regulations 1960(d), as amended (e).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(f) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the Goods Vehicles (Licences and Prohibitions) Regulations 1960

3. The Regulations of 1960 shall have effect as if Regulation 13 (*Fees*) were omitted, and as if the reference in Regulation 14 thereof to the said Regulation 13 were a reference to Regulation 4 of these Regulations.

Fees for and in respect of carriers' licences

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Regulation, fees for carriers' licences, except licences granted for a shortened currency period under Regulation 25 of the Regulations of 1960, shall be the following in respect of each vehicle authorised:

(a) 1960 c. 16.

(c) 1968 c. 73.

(e) S.I. 1969/1638 (1969 III, p. 5159).

(b) 1962 c. 59.

(d) S.I. 1960/1505(1960 III, p. 3020).

(f) 1889 c. 63.

	Licences coming into force before the 1st March 1970			Licences coming into force on or after the 1st March 1970		
	1st March 1970			1st March 1970		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
A licence	10 0 0	2	10	0
B licence	5 0 0	1	0	0
C licence	1 10 0	1	0	0

(2) Where vehicles on hire or loan are authorised to be used under a carrier's licence the amount of the fee shall be reckoned on the basis of the maximum number of such vehicles specified in the licence.

(3) Where a carrier's licence authorises the use of vehicles to be acquired by the licensee an extra fee shall be paid when a vehicle is acquired which shall be computed at the following rate for each such vehicle and shall be calculated as from the date on which the identity certificate for that vehicle is issued for each period of 6 months (or part of such period) of the unexpired period of a licence coming into force—

(a) before the 1st March 1970	£	s.	d.
(i) in the case of an A licence	1	0	0
(ii) in the case of a B licence	1	5	0
(b) on or after the 1st March 1970 in the case of an A or B licence, 5s.			

(4) Where on an application to which the provisions of paragraph (c) of section 173(1) of the Act apply the licensing authority grants a carrier's licence to expire not later than an existing licence under which the vehicles concerned are authorised to be used for the purpose of a business which the applicant has acquired or intends to acquire, the fee to be paid shall be calculated as from the date on which the first-mentioned licence is expressed to have effect and shall be that for a licence for the full currency period less an amount computed at the following rate in respect of each complete period of 6 months by which the currency period is shortened in respect of each vehicle authorised :—

	Licences coming into force before the 1st March 1970			Licences coming into force on or after the 1st March 1970		
	1st March 1970			1st March 1970		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
A licence	1 0 0	0	5	0
B licence	1 5 0	0	5	0

(5) On the variation of an A, B or C licence being a variation which has the effect of reducing the total number of vehicles authorised by the licence (including any vehicle intended to be acquired by the holder of the licence and any vehicle to the use of which section 164 of the Act does not apply by virtue of section 93(2) of the Transport Act 1968, but not including any vehicle to the use of which section 164 of the Act does not apply by virtue of section 93(1) of the Transport Act 1968) the licensing authority shall, if an application in writing is made to him in that behalf by the holder of the licence within 3 months of the licence being so varied, refund to the holder of the licence an amount computed at the following rate in respect of each vehicle by which the total number of vehicles is reduced in respect of each complete period of one year of the period of the currency of the licence which is unexpired at the date of the variation :—

			Licences coming into force before the 1st March 1970			Licences coming into force on or after the 1st March 1970		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
			A licence	2	0	0
B licence	...	...	2	10	0	0	10	0
C licence	...	...	0	6	0	0	4	0

Provided that no refund shall be made in respect of vehicles for which no fee has been paid or in the case of a C licence in respect of any period before the 1st March 1970.

(6) Except in the case of a licence which authorises the use of a vehicle brought temporarily into Great Britain no carrier's licence shall be granted until the applicant shall have paid to the licensing authority the appropriate fee in respect thereof.

(7) Except in the case of a licence which authorises the use of a vehicle brought temporarily into Great Britain no identity certificate shall be issued in respect of any vehicle until the applicant shall have paid to the licensing authority any fee in respect of the carrier's licence under which such vehicle is authorised.

(8) In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires, "carrier's licence" has the same meaning as the word "licence" in the Regulations of 1960, except that it does not include a short-term licence, and any other expression which is also used in those Regulations has the same meaning as in those Regulations.

Fees for and in respect of operators' licences

5.—(1) Whenever a motor vehicle is specified in an operator's licence the holder of the licence shall pay a fee at the rate of—

- (a) £4 in respect of each motor vehicle so specified for each whole year of the unexpired term of the licence, calculated from the date when the vehicle is so specified, and
- (b) one-twelfth of the said amount in respect of each motor vehicle so specified for each whole month (any part of a month counting as a whole month for this purpose) in any period less than a whole year which remains in the unexpired term of the licence when the whole years have been deducted.

(2) Whenever the number of motor vehicles specified in an operator's licence is reduced the licensing authority shall, if an application in writing is made to him in that behalf by the holder of the licence within 3 months of the reduction, refund to the holder of the licence an amount at the rate specified in paragraph (1)(b) of this Regulation in respect of each vehicle by which the total number of specified vehicles is reduced for each whole month of the unexpired term of the licence calculated from the date of the reduction :

Provided that :—

- (i) no refund shall be made in respect of any period of less than 3 months ; and
- (ii) for the purposes of this paragraph any part of a month at the end of such term ending on the 24th March in any year, in the case of a licence which expires on the 24th March in that year, shall count as a whole month.

(3) (a) No identity disc shall be issued in respect of any vehicle until the applicant shall have paid to the licensing authority any fee for specifying the vehicle in the operator's licence in which such vehicle is specified.

(b) No refund shall be paid under this Regulation in respect of any vehicle until the applicant shall have returned to the licensing authority the identity disc or any copy thereof issued in respect of that vehicle.

(4) On and after the day appointed for the beginning of the transitional period for the purposes of the Decimal Currency Act 1969(a) if any fee or refund payable under this Regulation is made in the new currency as defined in section 16(1) of that Act any remaining amount of such fee or refund of less than one new penny shall be disregarded.

(5) In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires, —

“month” means a calendar month running from any date ;

“operator's licence” means an operator's licence within the meaning of Part V of the Transport Act 1968 other than an interim licence granted under section 67(5) of that Act ;

“year” means a calendar year running from any date ;

and any expression not defined above which is also used in the Goods Vehicles (Operators' Licences) Regulations 1969 has the same meaning as in those Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 15th December 1969.

(L.S.)

Fred Mulley,
Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations prescribe new fees payable for the grant of a carrier's licence to use a goods vehicle for hire or reward or for business on own account under Part IV of the Road Traffic Act 1960, and make new provision for the refund of such fees in certain circumstances. (Regulation 4)

These Regulations also prescribe the fees payable for the grant or variation of an operator's licence to use a goods vehicle for hire or reward or for business on own account under Part V of the Transport Act 1968, and for the refund of such fees in certain circumstances. (Regulation 5)