EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 ("the 1989 Regulations") by replacing regulation 9 with the new regulations 9, 9A, 9B and 9C.

Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends regulation 3 of the 1989 Regulations so that the new regulation 9A is not among the regulations in Part II of those Regulations which do not apply to certain vehicles brought temporarily into Northen Ireland.

Regulation 3 inserts into the 1989 Regulations the new regulations. The new regulation 9 prohibits (with specified exceptions) the driving of a vehicle with an overall travelling height of more than 3 metres unless a notice stating the height of the vehicle and meeting specified requirements is displayed in the cab.

The new regulation 9A prohibits the driving of a vehicle to which the regulation applies unless it is fitted with a device which gives a visible warning to the driver if the height of the vehicle exceeds a predetermined level: Regulation 9B specifies the vehicles to which regulation 9A applies and vehicles which are exempted from it and regulation 9C provides for the interpretation of regulations 9A and 9B.