STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2008 No. 236 (C. 12)

DISABLED PERSONS

The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (Commencement No. 10) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008

Made - - - - 2nd June 2008

The Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 70(3) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(1) and now vested in it(2):

Citation and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (Commencement No. 10) Order (Northern Ireland) 2008.
- (2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(3) shall apply to this Order as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Appointed Day

- **2.**—(1) The day appointed for the coming into operation of section 49 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (forgery and false statements and impersonation) in so far as it relates to the documents specified in paragraph (2) is 3rd June 2008.
 - (2) The documents referred to in paragraph (1) are—
 - (a) a certificate of exemption issued under section 37 or 37A(4);
 - (b) a notice of a kind mentioned in section 37(8)(b) or 37A(8)(b);
 - (c) an accessibility certificate; and
 - (d) an approval certificate.

^{(1) 1995} c.50; section 70(3) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 is modified in its application to Northern Ireland by paragraph 48(1) of Schedule 8 to that Act

⁽²⁾ See S.R. 1999 No. 481; Article 8(a) and Schedule 6, Part I for transfer of functions

^{(3) 1954} c.33 (N.I.)

⁽⁴⁾ Section 37A was inserted into the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 by s.1(1) of the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.) Act 2002

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister on 2nd June 2008.



Gerard Mulligan
A senior officer of the
Office of the First Minister and deputy First
Minister

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for the coming into operation of section 49 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, to the extent that it relates to provisions in the Act about the carriage of guide dogs and assistance dogs in taxis and private hire vehicles, and the granting of accessibility certificates and approval certificates in respect of public service vehicles. Section 49 makes it an offence for a person, with intent to deceive, to forge, alter, use, lend or allow another person to use an accessibility or approval certificate or make or have in his possession any document which closely resembles an accessibility or approval certificate, as defined in section 49(1). Section 49(4) makes it an offence to knowingly make a false statement in order to obtain accessibility or approval certificates.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order)

Prior Commencement Orders have appointed days for the coming into operation of the following provisions of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 as modified in its application to Northern Ireland by Schedule 8 thereof:—

Provision	Date of Commencement	S.R. No.
Sections 1, 2 and 3	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Sections 4 and 5(1) to (5)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 5(6) and (7)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 6(1) to (7), (11) and (12)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 6(8), (9) and (10)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 7, 8(1) to (5) and (8)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 8(6) and (7)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 9, 10, 11, 12(1), (2), (4) and (5)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 12(3) and (6)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 13, 14(1) and (3)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 14(2), (4) and (5)	1st October 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Section 14(6)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 15(1)(a) and (2) to (10)	1st October 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Section 16(1), (2) and (4)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 16(3) and (5) partially	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Section 16(3) to the extent not previously in operation	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 560 (C. 27)

Provision	Date of Commencement	S.R. No.
Section 16(5) to the extent not previously in operation	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 17(1), (2) and (4)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 17(3)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 18(1) and (2)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 18(3) and (4)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 19(1)(a), (c) and (d), (2), (3), (4), (5)(a) and (b) and (6)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 19(1)(b)	1st October 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Section 19(5)(c)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 20(1), (3) and (4)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 20(2), (5) and (9)	1st October 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Section 20(6), (7) and (8)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 21(1), (2)(d), (4), (6) and (10)	1st October 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Section 21(2) to the extent not already in operation	1st October 2004	2001 No. 439 (C. 22)
Section 21(3) and (5)	26th April 1999	1999 No. 196 (C. 18)
Sections 22, 23 and 24(1) to (4)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 24(5)	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 25 and 26	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 27(1), (2), (4) and, to the extent not already in operation, (5)	1st October 2004	2001 No. 439 (C. 22)
Section 27(3)	31st December 2001	2001 No. 439 (C. 22)
Section 28	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Section 37 (for certain purposes)	1st June 2001	2001 No. 163 (C. 10)
(for all other purposes)	1st August 2001	2001 No. 163 (C. 10)
Section 38	1st June 2001	2001 No. 163 (C. 10)
Sections 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 and 45	21st January 2003	2003 No. 24 (C. 1)
Sections 46 and 47, and section 48 in so far as it relates to section 46	13th May 1998	1998 No. 183 (C. 6)
Section 48 to the extent not previously in operation	21st January 2003	2003 No. 24 (C. 1)
Sections 50, 51 and 52	2nd January 1996	1996 No. 1 (C. 1)
Sections 53, 54 and 56	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 55, 57 and 58	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 59	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)

Provision	Date of Commencement	S.R. No.
Sections 60 and 61	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 62(1), (2) and (7)	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Sections 64 and 66	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Sections 67, 68(1) and 69	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Sections 68(2) to (5) and 70(4)	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Section 70(7) and Schedule 1 (with the exception of paragraph 7)	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Schedule 1, paragraph 7	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Schedule 2	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Schedule 3 and Schedule 4, Part I, paragraphs 1 and 2	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Schedule 4, Part I, paragraph 3	11th July 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)
Schedule 4, paragraph 4 and section 16(5) in so far as it relates to it	30th May 1996	1996 No. 219 (C. 9)
Schedule 4, paragraphs 8 and 9 and section 27(5) in so far as it relates to them	31st December 2001	2001 No. 439 (C. 22)
Schedule 4, paragraphs 5, 6 and 7	1st October 2004	2001 No. 439 (C. 22)
Schedule 5	2nd January 1996	1996 No. 1 (C. 1)
Schedule 6, Schedule 7 and section 70(5) in so far as is necessary to effect the repeal of sections 1, 6 to 14, 19 and 21 of the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1945 and the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1960	2nd December 1996	1996 No. 280 (C. 13)