



# Deregulation Act 2015

## 2015 CHAPTER 20

### *Transport*

#### **50 Road traffic legislation: use of vehicles in emergency response by NHS**

- (1) Section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (exemptions from speed limits), as substituted by section 19 of the Road Safety Act 2006, is amended in accordance with subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) In subsection (1)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a), omit “, for ambulance purposes”;
  - (b) after paragraph (a) insert—
    - “(aa) it is being used for ambulance purposes or for the purpose of providing a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service”;
  - (c) in paragraph (c), after “paragraph (a)” insert “, (aa)”.
- (3) After subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) In subsection (1)(aa), “an NHS ambulance service” means—

  - (a) an NHS trust or NHS foundation trust established under the National Health Service Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
  - (b) an NHS trust established under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
  - (c) the Scottish Ambulance Service Board.”
- (4) If this section comes into force before section 19 of the Road Safety Act 2006, section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as it has effect until section 19 comes into force) is amended as follows.
- (5) After subsection (1) insert—

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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“(1A) Subsection (1) above applies in relation to a vehicle that, although not being used for ambulance purposes, is being used for the purpose of providing a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service.

(1B) In subsection (1A), “an NHS ambulance service” means—

- (a) an NHS trust or NHS foundation trust established under the National Health Service Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
- (b) an NHS trust established under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
- (c) the Scottish Ambulance Service Board.”

(6) Schedule 9 makes further amendments to road traffic legislation in connection with the use of vehicles in the provision of an emergency response by the NHS.