

Automated Vehicles Act 2024

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PART 1

REGULATORY SCHEME FOR AUTOMATED VEHICLES

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AUTHORISATION OF ROAD VEHICLES FOR AUTOMATED USE

Authorisation requirements

7 Transition demands

- (1) Subsection (3) applies if authorisation requirements in relation to a vehicle with an authorised user-in-charge feature require the vehicle to be able to issue a transition demand while that feature is engaged.
- (2) A "transition demand" is a demand, communicated by equipment of a vehicle in which an authorised user-in-charge feature is engaged, that the user-in-charge assume control of the vehicle by the end of a period of time beginning with the communication of the demand (the "transition period").
- (3) The Secretary of State must impose authorisation requirements designed to secure, so far as Secretary of State considers reasonably practicable, that—
 - (a) the transition demand will be capable of being perceived by anyone who might legally be a user-in-charge of the vehicle (having regard in particular to users-in-charge with disabilities),
 - (b) the transition period will be long enough for the user-in-charge to prepare to assume, and assume, control of the vehicle,
 - (c) the vehicle will continue to travel autonomously, safely and legally during the transition period,
 - (d) equipment of the vehicle will make a further communication at the end of the transition period to alert the user-in-charge to the ending of the period, and

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(e) the vehicle will deal safely with a situation where the user-in-charge fails to assume control by the end of the transition period.