
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 276

The Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997

PART VI SPEED LIMITS

Exemption for fire engines, etc.

42.—(1) No enactment imposing a speed limit on motor vehicles shall apply to any vehicle on an occasion when it is being used for [^{F1}fire and rescue,] ambulance, police, military or customs purposes, if compliance with that provision would be likely to hinder the use of the vehicle on that occasion for any of those purposes.

(2) In paragraph (1) the reference to ambulance purposes includes a reference to the purposes of a mobile coronary care unit.

(3) Nothing in this Article shall affect any civil claim for injury or damage to person or property.

F1 Words in art. 42(1) substituted (1.7.2006) by [Fire and Rescue Services \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1254 \(N.I. 9\)\)](#), arts. 1(3), 63(1), [Sch. 3 para. 23](#) (with arts. 49, 62); [S.R. 2006/257](#), [art. 2\(b\)\(d\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

The Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997, Section 42 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 08 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [Instrument am. \(prosp.\) by 1998 c. 32 s.74\(1\)Sch.4 para.23](#)