

**ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVING DISQUALIFICATIONS)
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2003**

S.I. 2003 2903

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON ARTICLES

Recognition in Northern Ireland of disqualifications in Great Britain, etc.

Article 3 amends the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 to introduce the recognition in Northern Ireland of relevant driving disqualifications imposed in Great Britain, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and Gibraltar. So long as a person is subject to a driving disqualification imposed in Great Britain, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or Gibraltar, he will also be disqualified in Northern Ireland. This remedies an existing anomaly in the driver licensing systems within the UK, under which none of these jurisdictions recognised driving disqualifications imposed in any of the others.