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ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1976

Made 4th August 1976

Coming into operation 1st September 1976

The Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 8, 15 and 189 of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) and now vested in it(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1976.

Regulations amended

2. The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965(c) shall be amended as follows:

(1) In regulation 10(3) for the figures "£3. 5s. 0d. (£3.25)" there shall be substituted the figures "£6.75".

(2) In the Second Schedule (Groups of motor vehicles for driving test purposes) in the entry relating to Group J (Invalid carriage) in the third column (additional requirements as specified in the Third Schedule) there shall be inserted after the reference to requirement 6 a reference to requirement 9.

(3) In the Third Schedule (Additional requirements for driving tests) for the entry relating to requirement 9 there shall be substituted:—

"9. Indicate his intended actions at appropriate times by giving appropriate signals in a clear and unmistakable manner:

Provided that, in the case of a vehicle with a left-hand drive, or a disabled driver for whom it is impracticable or undesirable to give signals by arm, there shall be no requirement to give signals which cannot be given by mechanical means".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 4th August 1976.

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(a) 1970 c. 2. (N.I.) as amended by S.I. 1973/1229 (N.I. 17)

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 5(b) (II, p. 2992)

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965 No. 42 (p. 203) as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970 No. 35 (p. 200) and S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971 No. 43 (p. 396) and other amending instruments not relevant for the purpose

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965 by:

(1) increasing the fee for a driving test on all types of vehicles except invalid carriages (for which no fee is payable) from £3.25 to £6.75;

(2) removing the compulsory requirement for arm signals to be included in the driving test. In future the requirement will be for appropriate signals at appropriate times to be given in a clear and unmistakable manner. This requirement has also been added to the driving test for drivers of invalid carriages where they are able to comply.