

1986 No. 267

## ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 1986

Made . . . . . 11th August 1986

Coming into operation . . . . . 22nd September 1986

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 28(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf makes the following Regulations:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 and shall come into operation on 22nd September 1986.

*Amendment*

2. Schedule 2 to the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(b) shall be amended as follows:

(1) In Part I:—

(a) in item 1(a) after “12 metres” there shall be inserted “in”;

(b) in item 2, for the figure “50” in columns 3(a) and (b) (respectively the speed limit on a special road and on a dual carriageway road not being a special road) there shall be substituted the figure “60”;

(c) in item 4(2)(a), for the figure “50” in column 3(b) (the speed limit on a dual carriageway road not being a special road) there shall be substituted the figure “60”;

(d) the following item shall be added in the Table:—

“8. An agricultural motor vehicle 40 40 40”.

(2) In Part II, in item 1(a) after “tyre” substitute “;” for “:”.

(3) In Part IV, in paragraph 2 before “articulated vehicle” there shall be inserted the following definition—

“ “agricultural motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle which is constructed or adapted for use off roads for the purpose of agriculture, horticulture or forestry and which is primarily used for one or more of those purposes but does not include a dual-purpose vehicle;”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 11th August 1986.

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(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)

(b) S.R. 1984 No. 135

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations amend Schedule 2 to the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 as follows—

- (a) the speed limit for a passenger vehicle, motor caravan, car-derived van or dual purpose vehicle which is drawing one trailer is increased from 50 miles per hour to 60 miles per hour on a special road or a dual carriageway;
- (b) the speed limit for a light goods vehicle drawing one trailer, where the aggregate maximum laden weight of the combination does not exceed 7.5 tonnes, is increased from 50 miles per hour to 60 miles per hour on a dual carriageway;
- (c) a speed limit of 40 miles per hour is introduced for an agricultural motor vehicle on all roads; and
- (d) minor punctuation and drafting errors have been corrected.