
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 248

**Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997**

Part VI

EMERGENCIES AND PARKING

Supervision and parking of vehicles

24.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the operator of any vehicle which is being used for the carriage of dangerous goods and the driver of that vehicle shall ensure that when the vehicle is parked it is—

- (a) supervised at all times by a competent person—
 - (i) over the age of 18 years; or
 - (ii) who is a member of the armed forces; or
- (b) parked in an isolated position—
 - (i) unsupervised in the open in a secure depot or secure factory premises, or, if no such facilities are available;
 - (ii) in a vehicle park supervised by an appropriate person who has been notified of the nature of the load and the whereabouts of the driver, or, if no such facilities are available;
 - (iii) in a public or private vehicle park where the vehicle is not likely to suffer damage from any other vehicle, or, if no such facilities are available;
 - (iv) in a suitable open space separated from the public highway and from dwellings, where the public does not normally pass or assemble,

having first been properly secured.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply in circumstances where the vehicle has been damaged or has broken down on a road and the driver has left the vehicle to seek assistance, provided he has taken all reasonable steps to secure the vehicle and its contents before leaving it unattended.

(3) When a driver parks a vehicle which is being used for the carriage of dangerous goods he shall apply the parking brake.