
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 171

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2001**

Made 11th April 2001

Coming into operation 1st June 2001

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 55(1), (2) and (6) and 110(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(a) 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 Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 and shall come into operation on 1st June 2001.

Amendment of the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000

2. After regulation 11 of the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000(b), there shall be inserted the following regulation—

“*Modifications in relation to vehicles approved under the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001*

11A.—(1) In this regulation—

“the Approval Regulations” means the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001(c);

“coefficient of luminous intensity” has the same meaning as in ECE Regulation 3.01;

“ECE Regulation 3.01” means Regulation 3 (with the amendments in force on 20th March 1982), annexed to the Agreement concerning the adoption of uniform conditions of approval for Motor Vehicles Equipment and Parts and reciprocal recognition therefor concluded at Geneva on the 20th March 1958(d) to which the United Kingdom is a party(e);

(a) S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I. 18); see Article 2(2) for the definition of “the Department”
(b) S.R. 2000 No. 169
(c) S.R. 2001 No. 172
(d) Cmnd 2535
(e) By an instrument of accession dated the 14th January 1963 deposited with the Secretary General of the United Nations on the 15th January 1963

“relevant vehicle approval certificate” means a Department’s approval certificate in the form prescribed by the Approval Regulations which appears to have been issued on the basis that the vehicle is a vehicle to which Part II of those Regulations applies;

“relevant vehicle” means a vehicle in respect of which an approval certificate containing the letter “P” has been issued pursuant to regulation 9(2) of the Approval Regulations;

“standard mark” means a mark which when applied to a lamp, reflector or device indicates compliance with the requirements of a particular instrument; and a reference to the instrument to which a standard mark relates shall be construed accordingly.

(2) The requirements of the Schedules, so far as they require any lamp, reflector or device to bear a particular standard mark (or one of two or more standard marks), shall not apply to a lamp, reflector or device if it is fitted to a relevant vehicle and—

- (a) in the case of a lamp or device, it meets the requirements as to intensity; and
- (b) in the case of a reflector, it meets the requirements as to coefficient of luminous intensity,

of the instrument to which the standard mark (or as the case may be one of those standard marks) relates.

(3) The requirements of these Regulations so far as they require headlamps (including a filament lamp fitted to a headlamp) fitted to a vehicle to bear a particular standard mark (or one of two or more standard marks) shall not apply to the headlamps fitted to a relevant vehicle if they emit sufficient light to illuminate the road in front of the vehicle on both main beam and dipped beam.

(4) Table 1 of Schedule 1 shall apply to a vehicle in respect of which a relevant vehicle approval certificate has been issued as if the entry that relates to dim-dip devices and running lamps were omitted.

(5) Paragraph 5 (markings) of Part I of Schedule 7 shall apply to a vehicle in respect of which a relevant vehicle approval certificate has been issued as if the vehicle were of a description falling within sub-paragraph (b) of that paragraph.”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 11th April 2001.

(L.S.)

Sam Foster
Minister of the Environment

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations insert a new regulation 11A into the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000, the effect of which is to modify those Regulations in relation to certain passenger vehicles which are the subject of a Department's approval certificate given pursuant to the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001.

These Regulations have been notified to the European Commission pursuant to European Parliament and Council Directive 98/34/EC of 22nd June 1998 (O.J. No. L204, 21.7.98, p. 37) as amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 98/48/EC of 20th July 1998 (O.J. No. L217, 5.8.98, p. 18) laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations and of rules on Information Society services.

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