

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order revokes and replaces the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) Order (Northern Ireland) 1997. The Order increases the fixed penalties for fixed penalty offences as follows—

- (a) the penalty for offences which do not involve obligatory endorsement is increased from £20 to £30; and
- (b) the penalty for offences involving obligatory endorsement is increased from £40 to £60.

The Order comes into operation on 1st March 2001 and applies only to offences committed on or after that date.