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ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002

Made - - - - - *9th December 2002*

Coming into operation *6th January 2003*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 66(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations: –

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 and shall come into operation on 6th January 2003.

Amendment of Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995

2. For Regulation 38 of the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations 1995(b) (cushions) there shall be substituted –

“Cushions

38. Vehicles which are licensed for public hire in the city of Belfast shall be properly upholstered in cloth, leather or good quality artificial leather.”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 9th December 2002.

(L.S.)

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(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of “Department” and “prescribed”
(b) S.R. 1995 No. 447 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Public Service Vehicles (Condition of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (“the 1995 Regulations”).

Regulation 38 of the 1995 Regulations provides that vehicles licensed for public hire in Belfast should be properly upholstered with leather or good quality artificial leather. That regulation is amended so that all vehicles licenced for public hire in Belfast shall be upholstered in cloth, leather or good quality artificial leather.

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