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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend Part I of Schedule 1 to the Goods Vehicles (Testing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 to increase the fees payable as follows—

- (1) For vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight—
  - (a) the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test or an appeal is increased—
    - (i) for a 2 axle rigid vehicle, from £37.50 to £76.00;
    - (ii) for a 3 axle rigid vehicle, from £48.50 to £87.00;
    - (iii) for a 4 axle rigid vehicle, from £60.00 to £98.50;
    - (iv) for an articulated vehicle having a 2 axle drawing vehicle, from £42.00 to £80.50; and
    - (v) for an articulated vehicle having a 3 or more axle drawing vehicle, from £42.00 to £93.50.
- (2) For trailers—
  - (a) the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, or an appeal is increased—
    - (i) for a 1 axle trailer, from £35.00 to £50.00;
    - (ii) for a 2 axle trailer, from £36.00 to £51.00; and
    - (iii) for a 3 axle trailer, from £37.00 to £52.00.

An Explanatory Memorandum has been produced and is available from Road Safety and Vehicle Regulation Division, Department of the Environment, Clarence Court, 10-18 Adelaide Street, Town Parks, Belfast BT2 8GB.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared and copies are available from Transport Regulation Unit, Department of the Environment, Bedford House, Town Parks, Belfast BT2 7FD.