EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations facilitate the implementation of Regulation (EU) No. 165/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 February 2014 on tachographs in road transport, repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No. 3281/85 on recording equipment in road transport and amending Regulation (EC) No. 561/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of certain social legislation relating to road transport.

Regulation (EU) No. 165/2014 ("the EU Regulation") (OJ L 60, 28.2.2014, p1) sets out obligations in relation to construction, installation, use, testing and control of tachographs used in road transport, reflecting the fact that tachographs now use global positioning system technology. It also sets out the conditions and requirements under which the information and data, other than personal data, recorded, processed or stored by tachographs may be used.

Northern Ireland's domestic legislation is updated by these Regulations to ensure it makes appropriate provision for the enforcement of the EU Regulation which is directly applicable in Member States.

An Explanatory Memorandum, Regulatory Impact Assessment and Transposition Note have been produced and are available from Road Safety and Vehicle Regulation Division, Department for Infrastructure, Clarence Court, 10-18 Adelaide Street, Town Parks, Belfast BT2 8GB or online alongside this Statutory Rule at http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisr