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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2023 No. 126**

**ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**

**The Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023**

*Made* - - - - *5th September 2023*  
*Coming into operation* *1st October 2023*

The Department for Infrastructure<sup>(1)</sup> makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 65(1) and (2), 67(1)(h) and 110(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995<sup>(2)</sup> and now vested in it<sup>(3)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023 and shall come into operation on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

**Amendment of the Goods Vehicles (Testing) Regulations (Northern Ireland)**

2. In the Goods Vehicles (Testing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003<sup>(4)</sup> for Schedule 1 substitute—

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(1) Formerly the Department for Regional Development; see section 1(6) and (11) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c. 5 (N.I.)). Pursuant to section 1(9) of that Act, the Department of the Environment was dissolved.  
(2) S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I. 18)  
(3) See Article 8(1)(b) of, and Part 2 of Schedule 5 to, the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 76)  
(4) S.R. 2003 No. 304 as amended by S.R. 2005 No. 406 and S.R. 2012 No. 328

## “SCHEDULE 1

Regulations 10(2), 13(3) and (4) and  
17(4)

## FEES

## PART 1

FEE PAYABLE ON APPLICATION UNDER  
REGULATIONS 10(2), 13(3) OR 17(4)

<i>(1) Class of Vehicle</i>	<i>(2) Amount of Fee</i>
3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or under	£ 38.00
Over 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight	
(i) 2 axle rigid vehicle	£101.00
(ii) 3 axle rigid vehicle	£109.00
(iii) 4 axle rigid vehicle	£117.50
(iv) articulated vehicle having a 2 axle drawing vehicle	£101.00
(v) articulated vehicle having a 3 or more axle drawing vehicle	£109.00
Trailer—	
(i) 1 axle trailer	£86.50
(ii) 2 axle trailer	£86.50
(iii) 3 axle trailer	£86.50

## PART 2

## FEE PAYABLE ON APPLICATION UNDER REGULATION 13(4)

<i>(1) Class of Vehicle</i>	<i>(2) Amount of Fee</i>
3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or under	£29.50
Over 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight	£38.00
Articulated vehicle	£38.00
Trailer	£38.00”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Infrastructure on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023



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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

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

- (1) For light goods vehicles 3,500 kilograms or less £30.50 to £38.00
- (2) For vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or more—
  - (a) The fee payable on application for a first test, periodical test or an appeal is increased—
    - (i) for a 2 axle rigid vehicle from £76.00 to £101.00;
    - (ii) for a 3 axle rigid vehicle from £87.00 to £109.00;
    - (iii) for a 4 axle rigid vehicle from £98.50 to £117.50;
    - (iv) for an articulated vehicle having a 2 axle drawing vehicle, from £80.50 to £101.00; and
    - (v) for an articulated vehicle having a 3 or more axle drawing vehicle, from £93.50 to £109.00
- (3) 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 £50.00 to £86.50;
    - (ii) For a 2 axle trailer, from £51.00 to £86.50; and
    - (iii) For a 3 axle trailer, from £52.00 to £86.50.
- (4) The fees for retests—
  - (a) For light goods vehicles 3,500 kilograms or less £18.50 to £29.50;
  - (b) For vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or more £18.50 to £38.00;
  - (c) Articulated drawing vehicle £19.50 to £38.00; and
  - (d) Trailers £19.50 to £38.00.

An Explanatory Memorandum and a Regulatory Impact Assessment has been produced and are available from Safe and Accessible Travel Division, Department for Infrastructure, Clarence Court, 10-18 Adelaide Street, Town Parks, Belfast BT2 8GB or online alongside this Regulation at <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisr>