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PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES

REGULATIONS, DATED 9TH NOVEMBER 1971, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 61 OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970.

The Ministry of Home Affairs in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 61 of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) and all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:—

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Service Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1971 and shall come into operation on the 1st day of December 1971.
- 2. The Public Service Vehicles Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965(b) shall have effect as though:—
 - (1) at the end of sub-paragraph 4(a)(iii) of Regulation 19 there were inserted the following words:—
 - "(iv) at any time while the omnibus is exceeding a speed of 40 m.p.h.;
 - (v) on any motorway as defined in the Motorways Traffic Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963(c)";
 - (2) at the end of Regulation 22A there were added the words "and may be renewed for a further period of 3 years if application is made to the Ministry within one month of the expiration of the licence";
 - (3) after paragraph (b) of Regulation 35 there were added the following proviso:—
 - "provided that this condition shall not be compulsory in the case of a motor-hackney carriage"; and
 - (4) in Regulation 57 the word "new" were inserted before the word "penny" wherever that word occurs.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 9th day of November 1971.

(L.S.)

W. G. Robinson, Assistant Secretary.

⁽a) 1970. c. 2 (N.I.).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations further amend the Public Service Vehicles Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965. Apart from minor drafting amendments the main changes are:—

- (a) the prohibition of the carriage of standing passengers on omnibuses—
 - (i) exceeding 40 m.p.h.; and
 - (ii) using motorways;
- (b) the name and address of the licensee of a motor-hackney carriage will no longer be required to be painted in legible letters in a conspicuous position on the near or left side of the vehicle.