



# Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators) Act 1995

## 1995 CHAPTER 23

### *Determination of applications*

#### **15 Issue of operators' licences.**

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) and to sections 14(6), 21, 22, 23 and 45(2), on granting an application for an operator's licence a traffic commissioner shall issue that licence in the terms applied for.
- (2) If a traffic commissioner has determined that any of the requirements of [<sup>F1</sup>section 13C or 13D] that he has taken into consideration in accordance with subsection (1) or (as the case may be) (2) of [<sup>F2</sup>section 13] would not be satisfied unless he were to exercise any of his powers under subsection (3) below, he shall exercise those powers accordingly.
- (3) A traffic commissioner may issue the licence in terms that differ from the terms applied for in any of the following respects—
  - (a) more or fewer motor vehicles are specified in the licence;
  - (b) different motor vehicles are specified in it;
  - (c) it includes a provision such as is mentioned in section 5(2);
  - (d) it includes a provision such as is mentioned in section 6(1)(b) or (2)(b);
  - (e) higher or lower maximum numbers are specified in it under section 6;
  - (f) [<sup>F3</sup>in the case of a heavy goods vehicle licence,] fewer places are specified in it as operating centres of the licence-holder.
- (4) Any undertakings taken into account by the traffic commissioner under [<sup>F4</sup>section 13C(7)] that he considers to be material to the granting of the application shall be recorded in the licence issued.
- (5) A statement shall appear on the face of every operator's licence indicating whether it is a standard licence or a restricted licence.

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- (6) A statement shall appear on the face of every standard licence indicating whether it covers both national and international transport operations or national transport operations only.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 15(2) substituted (4.12.2011) by [The Road Transport Operator Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2632\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 2 para. 6(2)(a)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 2)
- F2** Words in s. 15(2) substituted (4.12.2011) by [The Road Transport Operator Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2632\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 2 para. 6(2)(b)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 2)
- F3** Words in s. 15(3)(f) inserted (17.3.2022) by [The Goods Vehicles \(Licensing of Operators\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/293\)](#), regs. 2(1), **35**
- F4** Words in s. 15(4) substituted (4.12.2011) by [The Road Transport Operator Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2632\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 2 para. 6(3)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 2)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 5(6)(6A) substituted for s. 5(6) by [2000 c. 38 s. 263](#)