



Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators) Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 23

Operators' licences

4 [F¹Other] Temporary exemptions.

- (1) A traffic commissioner may, for the purpose of—
- (a) enabling an emergency to be dealt with, or
 - (b) enabling some other special need to be met,

by notice in writing grant to any person falling within subsection (2) a temporary exemption from any requirement to hold a standard licence which would otherwise be imposed on him by sections 2 and 3 in respect of any vehicle specified in the notice or any vehicle of a class so specified.

[F²(1A) Where the traffic commissioner considers it appropriate (for example because an exemption is to be granted to all persons falling within subsection (2)), an exemption under subsection (1) may be granted by publishing a notice in writing instead of by giving notice in writing to the persons to whom the exemption is granted.]

- (2) A person falls within this subsection if he is engaged exclusively in national transport operations which have only a minor impact on the transport market because of the nature of the goods carried or the short distances over which goods are carried.
- (3) A temporary exemption granted under subsection (1) permits the person to whom it is granted to use the specified vehicle or (as the case may be) any vehicle of the specified class for the carriage of goods for hire or reward for the purposes of transport operations of his such as are referred to in subsection (2) (and, accordingly, sections 2(1) and 3(6) shall not to that extent apply to that person's use of goods vehicles).

F³(4)

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 4 heading inserted (19.7.2018) by [Haulage Permits and Trailer Registration Act 2018 \(c. 19\)](#), **ss. 11(5)(a)**, 27(1)
- F2** S. 4(1A) inserted (19.7.2018) by [Haulage Permits and Trailer Registration Act 2018 \(c. 19\)](#), **ss. 11(5)(b)**, 27(1)
- F3** S. 4(4) omitted (4.12.2011) by virtue of [The Road Transport Operator Regulations 2011 \(S.I. 2011/2632\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 2 para. 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](#)