



Automated Vehicles Act 2024

2024 CHAPTER 10

PART 1

REGULATORY SCHEME FOR AUTOMATED VEHICLES

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AUTHORISATION OF ROAD VEHICLES FOR AUTOMATED USE

Grant of authorisation

4 Authorised automation features

- (1) An automated vehicle authorisation must identify the feature or features by virtue of which (in the opinion of the Secretary of State) the vehicle satisfies the self-driving test.
- (2) More than one feature may be identified if it appears to the Secretary of State that each can reasonably be characterised as amounting to a distinct capability of the vehicle.
- (3) In relation to each feature identified in the authorisation, the authorisation must specify—
 - (a) whether the mode of operation of the feature is “user-in-charge” or “no-user-in-charge”,
 - (b) how the feature is engaged and disengaged, and
 - (c) the locations and circumstances by reference to which (in the opinion of the Secretary of State) the vehicle satisfies the self-driving test by virtue of the feature.
- (4) The locations specified in the authorisation may include places other than roads.

Status: *This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

- (5) If more than one feature is identified in an authorisation, the Secretary of State must discharge the duty in subsection (3)(b) in a way that will make it possible to ascertain which feature (if any) is engaged at any given moment.