

# Automated Vehicles Act 2024

## **2024 CHAPTER 10**

### PART 5

#### PERMITS FOR AUTOMATED PASSENGER SERVICES

#### Requirements before granting permit

## 87 Further requirements

- (1) Before granting a permit, the appropriate national authority must consult any traffic authorities and emergency services that it considers are likely to be substantially affected if the permit is granted.
- (2) In subsection (1), "traffic authority" has the same meaning as in the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (see section 121A of that Act) (but does not include the appropriate national authority itself).
- (3) In deciding whether to grant a permit, the appropriate national authority must have regard to whether, and to what extent, the granting of the permit is likely to lead to an improvement in the understanding of how automated passenger services should best be designed for, and provided to, older or disabled passengers.
- (4) Where the appropriate national authority grants a permit, it must include a permit condition (of the sort described in section 82(5)(b)) requiring the permit holder to publish reports about the automated passenger services which it provides, and in particular about the steps which it takes—
  - (a) to meet the needs of older or disabled passengers, and
  - (b) to safeguard passengers more generally.