
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1966 No. 973

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1966

Made - - - - - 28th June 1966
Laid before Parliament 5th July 1966
Coming into Operation in accordance with Article 4

The Minister of Transport in exercise of her powers under section 66 (3) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a) and section 66 (8) of that Act, as amended by section 51 (1) of and Schedule 4 to the Road Traffic Act 1962(b), and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1966.

(2) The Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1963(c) is hereby revoked.

2.—(1) In this Order “registered” means registered under the Roads Act 1920(d), the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1949(e) or the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962(f).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889 (g) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if for the purposes of section 38 of that Act this Order was an Act of Parliament and the Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1963 was an Act of Parliament thereby repealed.

3. Section 66 (2) of the Road Traffic Act 1960 shall have effect with the substitution, for ten years, of three years.

4. This Order shall:—

- (a) as respects motor vehicles first registered before the 1st October 1962, come into operation on the 1st October 1966;
- (b) as respects motor vehicles first registered on or after the 1st October 1962 and before the 1st April 1963, come into operation on the fourth anniversary of the date of their first registration;
- (c) as respects motor vehicles first registered on or after the 1st April 1963, come into operation on the 1st April 1967.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 28th June 1966.

(L.S.)

Barbara Castle,

The Minister of Transport.

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.

(c) S.I. 1963/404 (1963 I, p. 479).

(e) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 89.

(b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.

(d) 10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. 72.

(f) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 13.

(g) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

Section 66 (1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960, as extended by the Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1963, makes it an offence to use on a road at any time a motor vehicle to which that section applies and which was first registered under the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1949 or the Roads Act 1920 not less than five years previously, unless a test certificate has been issued as respects that vehicle within the preceding twelve months.

This Order revokes the Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Extension) Order 1963 and extends the application of section 66 (1) to motor vehicles first registered not less than three years ago. It comes into operation as respects motor vehicles first registered at different times, so that—

- (a) a motor vehicle, which was first registered before the 1st October 1962, may not be used on a road on or after the 1st October 1966 unless a test certificate has been issued for the vehicle within the preceding twelve months;
- (b) a motor vehicle, which was first registered on or after the 1st October 1962 and before the 1st April 1963, may not be used on a road on or after the fourth anniversary of its first registration unless a test certificate has been issued for the vehicle within the preceding twelve months; and
- (c) a motor vehicle which was first registered on or after the 1st April 1963 may not be used on a road on or after the 1st April 1967 or the third anniversary of its first registration, whichever is the later, unless a test certificate has been issued for the vehicle within the preceding twelve months.