

## 1981 No. 631

## ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1981**

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The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 119 of the Road Traffic Act 1972(a), and now vested in him (b), and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 199(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 19th May 1981.

2. Regulation 29 (Exemptions) of the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) Regulations 1977(c) shall be amended—

(a) by the substitution for sub-paragraph (v) of paragraph (1) of the following sub-paragraph:—

“(v) any vehicle which was originally constructed to carry passengers but has been adapted to carry goods or burden of any description—

(a) when driven for the carriage of—

(i) play equipment for children, or such equipment and not more than two passengers, to or from the place where the equipment is to be, or has been, made available for such use; or

(ii) articles required for the purposes of a display or of an exhibition, or such articles and not more than two passengers, to or from the place where the display or exhibition is to be mounted; or

(b) being a vehicle used for the carriage of such equipment or articles as specified in paragraph (a) above, when driven—

(i) to or from the place where a mechanical defect in the vehicle is to be, or has been, remedied, or

(ii) in such circumstances that by virtue of section 5 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 the vehicle is not chargeable with duty in respect of its use on public roads;” and

(a) 1972 c. 20.

(b) S.I. 1979/571 and 1981/238.

(c) S.I. 1977/1309; there is no relevant amending instrument.

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(b) by the deletion of the definition of "play-bus" in paragraph (2).

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Secretary of State for Transport.

16th April 1981.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations amend the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) Regulations 1977. They extend the existing exemption in Regulation 29 thereof from heavy goods vehicle driver's licensing for play-buses (as defined in that Regulation) to passenger vehicles adapted to carry goods or burden of any description when used in similar circumstances in connection with the mounting of a display or exhibition. The requirement of the 1977 Regulations that the vehicle should be owned by a person or body of persons who carry on the activity and whose activities are carried on otherwise than in the course of a trade or business conducted with a view to profit, and that any passengers carried should be of full age, is removed.

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