
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 1715

**The Motor Vehicles (Tests)
Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1982**

2. The Motor Vehicles (Tests) Regulations 1981 are amended so that after Regulation 27 there is added the following Regulation:—“

“Certificates of temporary exemption

28.—(1) A public service vehicle in respect of which a certificate complying with the provisions specified in paragraph (2) below has been issued in the circumstances specified in paragraph (3) below is exempt from the provisions of section 44(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972 until that certificate expires.

(2) Those provisions are that the certificate—

(a) is in a form approved by the Secretary of State which shall contain—

(i) the registration mark (if any) exhibited on the vehicle or, if no such mark is so exhibited, the chassis or serial number marked on the vehicle,

(ii) the date on which the certificate is issued, and

(iii) the period during which the vehicle is exempted from the provisions of section 44(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972; and

(b) is signed by a person authorised in that behalf by the Secretary of State.

(3) The circumstances mentioned in paragraph (1) above are an accident, a fire, an epidemic, severe weather, a failure in the supply of essential services or other unexpected happening (excluding a breakdown or mechanical defect in a vehicle or non-delivery of spare parts therefor).

(4) No certificate shall be issued by virtue of this Regulation shall be valid for more than 3 months.”.