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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1990 No. 1598**

**HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Dartford—Thurrock Crossing  
(Amendment) Regulations 1990**

*Made* - - - - *1st August 1990*  
*Laid before Parliament* *10th August 1990*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st September 1990*

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 25(1) and (2), 26(1) and (3)(d), 44(3) and 46(1)(1) of the Dartford—Thurrock Crossing Act 1988(2), and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Dartford—Thurrock Crossing (Amendment) Regulations 1990 and shall come into force on 1st September 1990.
2. The Dartford—Thurrock Crossing Regulations 1989(3) shall be amended in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.
3. In regulation 1 (citation, commencement and interpretation) there shall be inserted, after paragraph (2)(b), the following sub-paragraph—

“(bb) “large break-down vehicle” means a break-down vehicle with an unladen weight in excess of 4,000 kg;”
4. In regulation 5(1), for the table there set out, there shall be substituted the following table—

	“Time of Commencement of Passage	Charge
<i>Overall width</i>		
Greater than 2.75 metres but less than or equal to 6.1 metres	Passage commencing after 06.00 hours and before 22.00 hours	£30

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(1) See definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”.  
(2) 1988 c. 20  
(3) S.I.1989/2372

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	“Time of Commencement of Passage	Charge
Greater than 2.75 metres but less than or equal to 6.1 metres	Passage commencing on or after 22.00 hours and on or before 06.00 hours	£15
Greater than 6.1 metres	At any time	£137
<i>Overall length</i>		
Greater than 18.3 metres but less than or equal to 27.4 metres	Passage commencing after 06.00 hours and before 22.00 hours	£30
Greater than 18.3 metres but less than or equal to 27.4 metres	Passage commencing on or after 22.00 hours and on or before 06.00 hours	£15
Greater than 27.4 metres	At any time	£137”

5. In regulation 12(1), for the table there set out, there shall be substituted the following table—

	“(1) Minimum Charge	(2) Additional Charge
<i>Motor cycles and combinations</i>	£7	£3
<i>Vehicles with two axles</i> —if a tow is given by a large breakdown vehicle	£42	£14
in any other case	£24	£8
<i>Vehicles with more than two axles</i>	£84	£28”

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport.

1st August 1990

*Roger Freeman*  
Minister of State,  
Department of Transport

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Dartford—Thurrock Crossing Regulations 1989 in three ways. First, by increasing the charges to be made in respect of vehicles above a specified width or length which use the tunnels. (These charges are in addition to any tolls which may be levied.) Secondly, by increasing some (not all) of the minimum and additional charges which are used to calculate the fee payable under regulation 12 of the 1989 Regulations in respect of attendance at or removal of a vehicle which has broken down in the tunnels. Thirdly, by defining a “large break-down vehicle”, a term used in Regulation 12(1) of the 1989 Regulations.