
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1991 No. 1970

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles)
(Great Britain) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 1991**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>3rd September 1991</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>10th September 1991</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st October 1991</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 54(1) and 61 of the Road Traffic Act 1988(1), and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 195(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 1991 and shall come into force on 1st October 1991.

Preliminary

2. The Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) Regulations 1982(2) shall be further amended in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

Amendments to regulation 2 (Interpretation)

3.—(1) For the heading preceding regulation 2 there shall be substituted—

“General Interpretation”.

(2) In regulation 2(1) the following definitions shall be inserted at the appropriate places in alphabetical order—

““axle weight” has the same meaning given in the table in regulation 3(2) of the Construction and Use Regulations;

(1) 1988 c. 52.

(2) S.I.1982/1271; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1984/697, 1985/46, 1986/427 and 1089, 1987/1508 and 1991/1021.

“inter-urban motor coach” means a vehicle designed and equipped for inter-urban transport having no spaces specifically intended for standing passengers, but able to carry for short distances passengers standing in the gangway;

“long distance touring motor coach” means a vehicle designed and equipped for long distance journeys, arranged to ensure the comfort of its seated passengers and which does not carry standing passengers;

“semi-trailer” has the same meaning given in the table in regulation 3(2) of the Construction and Use Regulations;”.

(3) Regulation 2(2) shall be omitted.

(4) After regulation 2, there shall be inserted—

“Interpretation of instruments referred to in Schedule 1

2A. The instruments referred to in column 3 of Schedule 1 shall, for the purposes of these Regulations, have effect as if—

- (a) a reference to a vehicle in category M1, M2, M3, N1, N2 or N3 were a reference to a vehicle described respectively as M1, M2, M3, N1, N2 or N3 in Council Directive [70/156/EEC](#) of 6th February 1970;
- (b) a reference to a vehicle in category L2 or L5 were a reference to a vehicle described respectively as L2 or L5 in ECE Regulation 78 of 15th October 1988;
- (c) a reference in either the Annex to Commission Directive [88/194/EEC](#) or paragraph 5.2.1.22 of ECE Regulation 13 as amended on 28th January 1991, to vehicles authorised to tow category O4 trailers were a reference to vehicles in respect of which the manufacturer states that the towing of a trailer (not being a semi-trailer) of a laden weight exceeding 10,000 kilograms, or a semi-trailer in respect of which the sum of the axle weights exceeds 10,000 kilograms, is technically permissible;
- (d) a reference in either the Annex to Commission Directive [88/194/EEC](#) or paragraph 5.2.1.22 of ECE Regulation 13 as amended on 28th January 1991, to a vehicle with a maximum mass exceeding 16 tonnes were read as a reference to a vehicle with a maximum design weight exceeding 16 tonnes;
- (e) a reference in either the Annex to Commission Directive [88/194/EEC](#) or paragraph 5.2.1.21 of ECE Regulation 13 as amended on 28th January 1991, to a vehicle with a maximum mass exceeding 12 tonnes were read as a reference to a vehicle with a maximum design weight exceeding 12 tonnes; and
- (f) the expressions “inter-urban motor coach” and “long distance touring motor coach” had the meanings given in regulation 2(1).”.

Amendments to type approval requirements in respect of brakes

4. In Schedule 1—

- (a) for items 6F, 6G, 6H, 6I and 6J there shall be substituted the items numbered 6F, 6G, 6H, 6I and 6J set out in the Schedule to these Regulations; and
- (b) after item 6J, there shall be inserted as items 6K and 6L the items so numbered in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

3rd September 1991

Christopher Chope
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Transport

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THE SCHEDULE

Regulation 4

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6F	Brakes	ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984 and corrected on 31 December 1985.		Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N1, N2 and N3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.2 and 6 and, if applicable, in Annexes 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13.	1.8.1986	
		or ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5		Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N1, N2 and N3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.2 and	1.10.1991	
				1. Slow construction vehicles 2. Vehicles with less than 4 wheels and a maximum design weight not exceeding 1,000 kilograms. 3. Dual-purpose vehicles constructed or adapted to carry more than 2 passengers.		
				4. Public works vehicles. 5. Vehicles manufactured on or after 1 April 1992, having a maximum design weight of more than		

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		October 1987 and 29 July 1988.	6 and, if applicable, in Annexes 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13.	16 tonnes and in respect of which the manufacturer states that the towing of a trailer (not being a semi-trailer) with a weight exceeding 10,000 kilograms, or a semi-trailer in respect of which the sum of the axle weights exceeds 10,000 kilograms, is technically permissible.	1.10.1991
6G	Brakes	ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984, and corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5 October 1987, 29 July 1988 and 22 November 1990.	Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category L2 and L5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Slow construction vehicles 2. Vehicles with more than 3 wheels. 3. Vehicles with 3 	1.8.1986

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		December 1985.	vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.1.1, 5.3.1.3, 5.3.1.4, 5.3.1.5 and 6, and, if applicable, in Annex 13.	wheels and a maximum design weight exceeding 1,000 kilogramms. 4. Public works vehicles.	
		or ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5 October 1987, and 29 July 1988.	Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category L2 and L5 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.1.1, 5.3.1.3, 5.3.1.4, 5.3.1.5 and 6, and, if applicable, in Annex 13.	1.10.1991	
		or ECE Regulation	Design, construction	1.10.1991	

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		78 of 20 October 1988 and amended on 28 November 1990.		and equipment requirements prescribed for category L2 and L5 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.2.3, 5.2.4 and 6.			
6H	Brakes	ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984 and corrected on 31 December 1985.		Design, construction and equipment requirements, prescribed for category M1, M2 and M3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.2 and 6, and, if applicable, in Annexes 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13.	1. Slow construction vehicles 2. Vehicles other than dual- purpose vehicles constructed or adapted to carry more than 2 passengers. 3. Dual- purpose vehicles having less than 4 wheels and a maximum design weight not exceeding	1.8.1986	
		or ECE Regulation 13 as		Design, construction and	weight not exceeding	1.10.1991	

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		revised on 26 November 1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5 October 1987 and 29 July 1988.	equipment 1,000 kilograms. prescribed for category M1, M2 and M3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.3.2 and 6, and, if applicable, in Annexes 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13.	4. Public works vehicles. 5. Vehicles manufactured on or after 1 April 1992, having a maximum design weight exceeding 12 tonnes which are either inter-urban	1.10.1991
		or ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5 October 1987, 29 July 1988 and 22	Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category M1, M2 and M3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.2.1 and 6, and, if applicable, in Annexes 5, 6, 7, 8,		

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61	Brakes	<p>November 1990.</p> <p>Council Directive 71/320/EEC of 26 July 1971 as amended by Commission Directive 74/132/EEC of 11 February 1974, Commission Directive 75/524/EEC of 25 July 1975, Commission Directive 79/489/EEC of 18 April 1979 corrected on 26 July 1979 and amended by Commission Directive 85/647/EEC of 23 December 1985.</p> <p>or</p>	<p>L202, 6.9.71, p.37 (SE 1971 (III), p.746), L74, 19.3.74, p.7, L236, 8.9.75, p.3, L128, 26.5.79, p.12, L188, 26.7.79, p.54 and L380, 31.12.85, p.1.</p>	<p>9, 10, 11 and 13.</p> <p>Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N1, N2 and N3 vehicles in Annexes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, X (if applicable) and XII.</p>	<p>1. Slow construction vehicles</p> <p>2. Vehicles with less than 4 wheels and a maximum design weight not exceeding 1,000 kilograms.</p> <p>3. Dual-purpose vehicles constructed or adapted to carry more than 2 passengers.</p> <p>4. Public works vehicles.</p> <p>5. Vehicles manufactured on or after 1 April 1992, having a maximum design weight of more than</p>	1.10.1987	

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		Council Directive 71/320/EEC of 26 July 1971 as amended by Commission Directive 74/132/EEC of 11 February 1974, Commission Directive 75/524/EEC of 25 July 1975, Commission Directive 79/489/EEC of 18 April 1979 corrected on 26 July 1979 and amended by Commission Directive 85/647/EEC of 23 December 1985 and Commission Directive 88/194/EEC of	L202, 6.9.71, p.37 (SE 1971 (III), P.746), L74, 19.3.74, p.7, L236, 8.9.75, p.3. L128, 26.5.79, p.12, L188, 26.7.79, p.54, L380, 31.12.85, p.1, and L92, 9.4.88, p.47.	Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N1, N2 and N3 vehicles in Annexes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, X (if applicable) and XII.	16 tonnes and in respect of which the manufacturer states that the towing of a trailer (not being a semi-trailer) with a laden weight exceeding 10,000 kilograms, or a semi-trailer in respect of which the sum of the axle weights exceeds 10,000 kilograms, is technically permissible.	1.10.1991	

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6J	Brakes	<p>24 March 1988.</p> <p>Council Directive 71/320/EEC of 26 July 1971 as amended by Commission Directive 74/132/EEC of 11 February 1974, Commission Directive 75/524/EEC of 25 July 1975, Commission Directive 79/489/EEC of 18 April 1979 corrected on 26 July 1979 and amended by Commission Directive 85/647/EEC of 23 December 1985.</p> <p>or</p>	<p>L202, 6.9.71, p.37 (SE 1971 (III), p.746), L74, 19.3.74, p.7, L236, 8.9.75, p.3, L128, 26.5.79, p.12, L188, 26.7.79, p.54 and L380, 31.12.85, p.1.</p>	<p>Design, construction and equipment requirements, prescribed for category M1, M2 and M3 vehicles in Annexes, I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, X (if applicable) and XII.</p>	<p>1. Slow construction vehicles.</p> <p>2. Vehicles other than dual-purpose vehicles constructed or adapted to carry more than 2 passengers.</p> <p>3. Public works vehicles.</p> <p>4. Vehicles manufactured on or after 1 April 1992, having a maximum design weight exceeding 12 tonnes which are either inter-urban motor coaches or long distance</p>	1.10.1987	

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6K	Brakes	<p>EEC of 24 March 1988.</p> <p>Council Directive 71/320/EEC of 25 July 1971 as amended by Commission Directive 74/132/EEC of 11 February 1974, Commission Directive 75/524/EEC of 25 July 1975, Commission Directive 79/489/EEC of 18 April 1979 corrected on 26 July 1979 and amended by Commission Directive 85/647/EEC of 23 December 1985 and Commission</p>	<p>L202, 6.9.71, p.37 (SE 1971 (III), p.746), L74, 19.3.74, p.7, L236, 8.9.75, p.3, L128, 26.5.79, p.12, L188, 26.7.79, p.54, L380, 31.12.85, p.1, and L92, 9.4.88, p.47.</p>	<p>Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N3 vehicles in Annexes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, X and XII.</p>	<p>1. Slow construction vehicles.</p> <p>2. Vehicles with less than 4 wheels and a maximum design weight not exceeding 1,000 kilograms.</p> <p>3. Dual-purpose vehicles constructed or adapted to carry more than 2 passengers.</p> <p>4. Public works vehicles.</p> <p>5. Vehicles other than those having a maximum design weight of more than 16 tonnes</p>	1.10.1991	

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		Directive 88/194/EEC of 24 March 1988. or ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November 1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 5 October 1987, 29 July 1988 and 22 November 1990.		Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category N3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 4.2.1 and 5 and, if applicable, in Annexes 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, and in Annex 13.	and in respect of which the manufacturer states that the towing of a trailer (not being a semi-trailer) with a laden weight exceeding 10,000 kilograms, or a semi-trailer in respect of which the sum of the axle weights exceeds 10,000 kilograms, is technically permissible.	1.10.1991	
6L	Brakes	Council Directive 71/320/EEC of 26 July 1971 as amended by Commission Directive	L202, 6.9.71, p.37 (SE 1971 (III), p. 746), L74, 19.3.74, p.7, L236, 8.9.75, p.3, L128,	Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed for category M3 vehicles in	1. Slow construction vehicles 2. Vehicles other than dual-purpose vehicles constructed or adapted	1.10.1991	

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		<p>74/132/EEC of 11 February 1974, Commission Directive 75/524/EEC of 25 July 1975, Commission Directive 79/489/EEC of 18 April 1979 correct on 26 July 1979 and amended by Commission Directive 85/647/EEC of 23 December 1985 and Commission Directive 88/194/EEC of 24 March 1988.</p> <p>or</p> <p>ECE Regulation 13 as revised on 26 November</p>	<p>Annexes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, X and XII.</p> <p>to carry more than 8 passengers.</p> <p>3. Public works vehicles.</p> <p>4. Vehicles other than those having a maximum design weight exceeding 12 tonnes which are either inter-urban motor coaches or long distance touring motor coaches.</p> <p>Design, construction and equipment requirements prescribed</p>	1.10.1991	

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		1984, corrected on 31 December 1985, and amended on 1 April 1987, 29 July 1988 and 22 November 1990.		for category M3 vehicles in paragraphs 2, 5.1, 5.2.1. and 6 and, if applicable, in Annexes 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, and in Annex 13.		

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) Regulations 1982.

Regulation 3 makes various consequential amendments and introduces a new regulation 2A entitled “Interpretation of Instruments referred to in Schedule 1”.

Regulation 4 revises the type approval requirements relating to brakes so as to take account of amendments to both ECE Regulation 13 and Council Directive [71/320/EEC](#) and to introduce, as an alternative, the requirements of ECE Regulation 78 as amended on 28th November 1990 in relation to category L vehicles.

In addition, two new items are introduced into Schedule 1 at 6K and 6L. The main effect of this is that certain vehicles in categories M3 and N3 are required to be fitted with anti-lock brakes.

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