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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Great Britain) Regulations 1984.

Regulation 4 of the 1984 Regulations is amended so that from 1st October 1993, the type approval requirements relating to exhaust emissions then in force shall apply to a vehicle (other than one with fewer than four wheels or one fuelled solely by liquid petroleum gas) regardless of the date of manufacture.

The type approval requirements relating to exhaust emissions are revised so as to:—

- (a) introduce a new alternative requirement as a result of an amendment made on 30th December 1992 to ECE Regulation 83;
- (b) introduce a new alternative requirement as a result of an amendment made on 30th December 1992 to ECE Regulation 49; and
- (c) introduce the requirements of Council Directive [93/59/EEC](#) as a mandatory standard and remove the option of complying with Council Directive [91/441/EEC](#) or ECE Regulation 83 as amended, from 1st October 1993 for new vehicle types and from 1st October 1994 for existing types.

The type approval requirements relating to rear view mirrors are revised so as to:—

- (a) introduce a new alternative requirement as a result of Council Directives [86/562/EEC](#) and [88/321/EEC](#); and
- (b) introduce a new alternative requirement as a result of ECE Regulation 46 as revised, amended and corrected up to 18th July 1988.

The type approval requirements relating to brakes are revised so as to:—

- (a) introduce in relation to certain vehicles, two new alternative requirements as a result of Council Directive [93/14/EEC](#) and an amendment made on 28th November 1990 to ECE Regulation 78;
- (b) introduce, initially as an alternative to the existing requirements, the requirements of Commission Directive [91/422/EEC](#), as corrected; and
- (c) replace, from 1st April 1994, the existing requirements, apart from ECE Regulation 13 as revised, corrected and amended up to 22nd November 1990, with the requirements of Commission Directive [91/422/EEC](#), as corrected.

The type approval requirements relating to noise are revised so as to introduce two new alternative requirements as a result of Council Directive [92/97/EEC](#) and ECE Regulation 51, as amended up to 12th September 1991.

The type approval requirements relating to seats and anchorages are revised so as to introduce a new alternative requirement as a result of a revision made on 28th January 1990 to ECE Regulation 17.

Copies of the EEC Directives and ECE Regulations (and amendments) referred to in these Regulations can be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office.