
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 305

The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 1995

3. In regulation 35, after paragraph (2) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

“(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a vehicle if it carries apparatus for extinguishing fire which would meet the requirements of that paragraph were there substituted—

- (a) for a reference in Schedule 4 to any British Standard, a reference to a corresponding standard;
- (b) for the reference in Schedule 4 to a test fire rating of 8A or the reference in that Schedule to a test fire rating of 21B, a reference to an equivalent level of performance specified in the corresponding standard; and
- (c) for the reference in paragraph (2)(b) to the appropriate British Standards Institution specification number, a reference to a marking indicating compliance with the corresponding standard.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation, “corresponding standard”, in relation to a British Standard, means—

- (a) a standard or code of practice of a national standards body or equivalent body of any EEA State;
- (b) any international standard recognised for use as a standard by any EEA State; or
- (c) a technical specification or code of practice which, whether mandatory or not, is recognised for use as a standard by a public authority of any EEA State,

where the standard code of practice, international standard or technical specification provides, in relation to fire extinguishers, a level of safety equivalent to that provided by the British Standard and contains a requirement as respects the markings of fire extinguishers equivalent to that provided by the British Standard.

(5) For the purposes of this regulation—

“EEA State” means a state which is a contracting party to the EEA Agreement but, until the EEA Agreement comes into force as regards Liechtenstein, does not include the State of Liechtenstein; and

“EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2 May 1992(1) as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17 March 1993(2).”.

(1) Cm 2073.
(2) Cm 2183.