
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) Regulations 1988 by excluding from the application of those Regulations certain goods vehicles which are designed or adapted to operate at a weight of between 3,500 kg and 5,500 kg when laden and for which the most recent Minister's approval certificate was one issued under the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 2001 (S.I.2001/25).

In consequence, such vehicles cannot be plated in accordance with the 1988 Regulations until approved under the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) Regulations 1988 (S.I. 1982/1271). S.I. 2001/306, made at the same time as these Regulations, provides for the vehicles to bear a plate showing a weight of 3,500 kg.

These Regulations have been notified to the European Commission and the other Member States in accordance with Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJNo. L204 21.7.98, p. 37), as amended by Directive 98/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ No. L217, 5.8.98, p. 18).