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**DISABLED PERSONS
TRANSPORT, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.)
Act 2002 (Commencement No. 1) Order 2003**

Made - - - - - 2nd December 2003

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 6(2) of the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.) Act 2002(a), hereby makes the following Order:

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.) Act 2002 (Commencement No 1) Order 2003.

Commencement of Act

2. In so far as the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.) Act 2002 applies to a private hire vehicle licensed by a licensing authority in England or Wales it shall come into force as follows—

- (a) on 31 December 2003, section 1(1) in so far as it relates to—
 - (i) subsections (5), (6), (7) and (9) of section 37A of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(b);
 - (ii) the power to make regulations under subsection (8) of that section; and
 - (iii) sections 3, 4 and 5; and
- (b) on 31 March 2004, section 1(1) for all other purposes.

By authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Tony McNulty
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department for Transport

2nd December 2003

(a) 2002 c. 37.
(b) 1995 c. 50.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings the Private Hire Vehicles (Carriage of Guide Dogs etc.) Act 2002 into force as respects private hire vehicles licensed in England and Wales. Amendments are made to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. In particular a new section 37A (carriage of assistance dogs in private hire vehicles) is inserted. It is brought into force partly on 31 December 2003 and fully on 31 March 2004.

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