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DISABLED PERSONS

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**The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Croydon Tramlink Class
CR4000 Vehicles) Exemption (Amendment) Order 2005**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>24th February 2005</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>2nd March 2005</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>31st March 2005</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 47(1), (3) and (4) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(a), having consulted the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and such other persons as he considered appropriate in accordance with section 47(3) of that Act, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Croydon Tramlink Class CR4000 Vehicles) Exemption (Amendment) Order 2005 and shall come into force on 31st March 2005.

Amendment

2.—(1) The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Croydon Tramlink Class CR4000 Vehicles) Exemption Order 2001(b) is amended as follows.

(2) After article 7 there shall be inserted—

“7A The exemption given in respect of regulation 16(1)(c) shall cease with immediate effect if the operator of the exempted vehicles does not, by the end of 31st October 2005, notify the Secretary of State in writing that at least 12 of the exempted vehicles are compliant with the requirements of that regulation.”

(3) In article 9, for the words “31st March 2005”, there shall be substituted “31st December 2005”.

(a) 1995 c.50.

(b) S.I. 2001/3952, amended by S.I. 2002/3001.

Signed by authority of the
Secretary of State for Transport

24th February 2005

Charlotte Atkins
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Croydon Tramlink Class CR4000 Vehicles) Exemption Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/3952, amended by S.I. 2002/3001) which authorises the use of specified rail vehicles operated on the Croydon Tramlink even though they do not comply with certain requirements of the Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998 (S.I. 1998/2456, amended by S.I. 2000/3215). This Order extends the expiry date of the exemption granted because the vehicles do not have a structure or fitting to prevent a wheelchair moving or tipping. The Order imposes a condition that a certain number of the vehicles must be made compliant with this requirement by the end of October 2005, and extends the expiry date for the exemption to the end of 31 December 2005.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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