

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) Regulations 1972 to remove the requirement to produce evidence of motor insurance or comparable surety when applying for a vehicle excise licence. This requirement is set out in regulation 9(1) of the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) Regulations 1972, and exceptions to it are set out in regulations 9(2), 9(3) and 9(4).

Regulation 9 is subject to regulation 8 of the Motor Vehicles (International Motor Insurance Card) Regulations 1971 which allows holders of green cards (visitors to Great Britain) to provide a green card as proof of valid insurance as an alternative to the requirements of regulation 9. Both provisions are omitted because regular checks for valid motor insurance are made under the continuous insurance enforcement scheme.

A full impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside the instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.