EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 2002 ("the 2002 Regulations") (S.I. 2002/2742) to make provision to allow for notifications and applications in relation to vehicle registration arising on transfers to and dealings by a vehicle trader to be made by electronic means or by telephone. They also provide for vehicle traders to be able to notify the Secretary of State of the change of keeper on behalf of the registered keeper when there is a transfer to a vehicle trader.

Regulation 3 amends regulation 23 of the 2002 Regulations and permits, as the Secretary of State thinks fit, notification of the transfer of a vehicle to a vehicle trader to be given by telephone or by electronic means, in which case there is no need to return documents to the Secretary of State. It also allows the notification and supporting declaration to be given on the registered keeper's behalf by a vehicle trader.

Regulation 4 amends regulation 24 of the 2002 Regulations and enables relevant notifications, applications and requirements as to the giving of information and declarations which arise on vehicle traders when they are the registered keeper, to be transacted electronically or by telephone.

A full impact assessment of the effect that these Regulations will have on costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency, Longview Road, Morriston, Swansea, SA6 (telephone: 01792 783864) and is published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside these Regulations on the website www.legislation.gov.uk.