
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 850

The Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Amendment of the Motor Vehicles (Tests) Regulations 1981

4. In regulation 5—

(a) for paragraph (1) substitute—

“(1) For the purposes of these Regulations motor vehicles to which they apply are classified as follows—

- (a) Class I: Light motor bicycles in EU categories L1e, L3e and L4e;
- (b) Class II: Motor bicycles in EU categories L3e and L4e;
- (c) Class III: Light motor vehicles in EU categories L2e and L5e;
- (d) Class IV:
 - (i) Motor vehicles in EU categories L5e, L6e, L7e, M1, M2, M3 and N1 not being vehicles within Classes III, IVA, V, VA, VI, VIA or VII; and
 - (ii) American pickups;
- (e) Class IVA: Minibuses, other than vehicles to which paragraph (4) applies, in EU categories M2 and M3 not being vehicles within Classes III, V, VA, VI or VIA, in respect of which any forward-facing seat is fitted with a relevant seat belt;
- (f) Class V: Motor vehicles in EU categories M2 and M3 not being vehicles within Class VA which are—
 - (i) large passenger-carrying vehicles;
 - (ii) public service vehicles—
 - (aa) of a type specified in paragraph (3), and
 - (bb) constructed or adapted to carry more than 12 seated passengers, and
 - (iii) play buses;
- (g) Class VA: Motor vehicles, other than vehicles to which paragraph (4) applies, in EU categories M2 and M3 which are—
 - (i) large passenger-carrying vehicles;
 - (ii) public service vehicles—
 - (aa) of a type specified in paragraph (3), and
 - (bb) constructed or adapted to carry more than 12 seated passengers, and
 - (iii) play buses,in respect of which any forward-facing seat is fitted with a relevant seat belt;
- (h) Class VI: Public service vehicles, other than those of a type specified in paragraph (3), in EU categories M2 and M3 not being vehicles within Class VIA;

- (i) Class VIA: Public service vehicles, not being vehicles to which paragraph (4) applies, in EU categories M2 and M3 other than those of a type specified in paragraph (3), in respect of which any forward facing seat is fitted with a relevant seat belt;
 - (j) Class VII: Goods vehicles in EU category N1 of which the design gross weight is more than 3,000 kilograms but does not exceed 3,500 kilograms;
- and (except as otherwise provided in these Regulations) any reference in these Regulations to a class of vehicles is to be construed accordingly.”
- (b) After paragraph (5) insert—
- “(6) In this regulation references to vehicles in EU categories—
- (a) L1e to L7e are to those categories as described in Annex 1 to Regulation (EU) 168/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approval and market surveillance of two or three-wheel vehicles and quadricycles⁽¹⁾;
 - (b) M1 to M3, and N1, are to those categories as described in Annex 2 to [Directive 2007/46/EC](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for the approval of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles⁽²⁾.”

(1) OJ No L 60, 2.3.2013, p52.

(2) OJ No L 263, 9.10.2007, p1. The Directive has been amended by [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 1060/2008](#) of 7 October 2008 (OJ No. L292 1, 31.10.2008), [Regulation \(EC\) No. 78/2009](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 January 2009 (OJ No. L35 1, 4.2.2009), [Regulation \(EC\) No. 79/2009](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 January 2009 (OJ No. L35 32, 4.2.2009), [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No. 385/2009](#) of 7 May 2009 (OJ No. L 118 13, 13.5.2009), [Regulation \(EC\) No. 661/2009](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 (OJ No. L200 1, 31.7.2009), [Commission Directive 2010/19/EU](#) of 9 March 2010 (OJ L72 17, 20.3.2010) and [Commission Regulation \(EU\) No. 371/2010](#) of 16 April 2010 (OJ L110 1, 1.5.2010) and by [Commission Regulation \(EU\) No. 678/2011](#) of 14 July 2011 (OJ L185 30, 15.7.2011) which replaced Annex 2.