STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 342

EQUALITY

The Equality Act 2010 (Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles) (Passengers in Wheelchairs – Notices of Exemption) Regulations 2017

Made - - - -	*9th March 2017*
Laid before Parliament	*15th March 2017*
Coming into force - -	*6th April 2017*

The Secretary of State for Transport makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 166(3)(b) and (4)(b) and 207(1) and (4) of the Equality Act 2010(**1**).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Equality Act 2010 (Taxis and Private Hire Vehicles) (Passengers in Wheelchairs – Notices of Exemption) Regulations 2017 and come into force on 6th April 2017.

(2) In these Regulations "the Act" means the Equality Act 2010.

Notices of exemption

2.—(1) The prescribed(**2**) notice of exemption for the purposes of section 166(3)(b) and (4)(b) of the Act is—

(a) in the case of a driver of a designated taxi or a designated private hire vehicle(**3**) to whom an exemption certificate has been issued by a licensing authority in England or Scotland, the notice set out in Schedule 1; and

(b) in the case of a driver of a designated taxi or a designated private hire vehicle to whom an exemption certificate has been issued by a licensing authority in Wales, the notice set out in Schedule 2.

(2) Each notice of exemption must have the exterior dimensions of 10cm x 10cm.

(**1**) 2010 c.15.
(**2**) Section 212(1) of the Equality Act 2010 defines "prescribed" to mean prescribed by regulations.
(**3**) Section 166(5) of that Act defines "designated" to mean a taxi or private hire vehicle which appears on a list maintained under section 167 of the Act.

(3) The prescribed manner of exhibiting a notice of exemption for the purposes of section 166(3)(b) and (4)(b) of the Act is—

(a) by displaying it—

(i) on the nearside of and immediately behind the windscreen of the vehicle; and

(ii) in a manner that readily permits its removal;

(b) so that—

(i) its front is clearly visible from the outside of the vehicle; and

(ii) its back is clearly visible from the driver's seat of the vehicle.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Andrew Jones
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Transport

9th March 2017

SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 2(1)(a)

1. FORM OF FRONT OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

Section 166 Equality Act 2010

Notice Of Exemption

Name of licensing authority

_____

Driver's name

_____

Licence No.

_____

The person named above is exempt from the duties required by section 165 of the Equality Act 2010.

This notice expires _____ 20 ____

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2. FORM OF BACK OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

Attention

Only the driver named overleaf may display this notice when driving the vehicle. The notice may also remain on display when the vehicle is parked provided it has been driven by, and is to be driven by, the named driver. Otherwise the named driver must remove the notice.