STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2011 No. 286 (C. 21)

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Road Traffic (2007 Order) (Commencement No. 7) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011

Made - - - - 28th July 2011

The Department of the Environment makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 1(3) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 2007(**1**).

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Road Traffic (2007 Order) (Commencement No.7) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011.

(2) In this Order "the Order" means the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 2007.

Appointed day

2. The day appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of the Order specified in the Schedule shall be 12th September 2011.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 28th July 2011

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Deirdre Kenny
A senior officer of the
Department of the Environment

(**1**) S.I. 2007/916 (N.I. 10)

SCHEDULE Article 2

Provisions coming into operation on 12th September 2011

Provisions of the Order	**Subject Matter**
Article 22	Graduated fixed penalties
Article 23	Graduated fixed penalty points
Paragraph 18 of Schedule 7 and Article 86(1) inso far as it relates to that paragraph	Evidence by certificate as to registration etc of driving instructors

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into operation the provisions of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 specified in the Schedule as outlined below.

Article 22 inserts a new paragraph (2) into Article 59 of the Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 ("the Offenders Order"). This new paragraph enables the Department of the Environment ("the Department") to prescribe graduated amounts for offences. These graduations can take into account the circumstances of a particular offence.

Article 23 amends Article 30 of the Offenders Order to allow the Department to prescribe by Order the appropriate number of penalty points for offences depending on the circumstances.

Paragraph 18 of Schedule 7 substitutes Article 22 of the Offenders Order to allow the certificate issued by the Department to be used as evidence of registration or otherwise as an approved driving instructor.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This Note is not part of the Order)

The following provisions of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 2007 have been brought into operation by commencement orders made before the date of this Order.

Provision	*Date of Commencement*	*S.R. No.*
Article 3(a) (insofar as it relates to the amendment of the punishment for commission of the offence of driving a motor vehicle in contravention of regulations requiring the wearing of seat belts), (b) and (c)	27th June 2007	2007 No.302 (C.19)
Articles 4 to 9		
Article 17		
Article 26		