STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2011 No. 18

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Motor Vehicle Testing (Electronic Communications) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011

Made - - - -	*27th January 2011*
Coming into operation	*4th April 2011*

The Department of the Environment makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1(1) of the Electronic Communications Act (Northern Ireland) 2001(**1**).

In accordance with section 1(3) of that Act the Department considers that the authorisation of the use of electronic communications for any purpose is such that the extent (if any) to which records of such things done for that purpose will be available will be no less satisfactory in cases where use is made of electronic communications than in other cases.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Testing (Electronic Communications) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 and shall come into operation on 4th April 2011.

Amendment of the Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

2.—(1) The Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003(**2**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) after the definition of "dual-purpose vehicle" insert—

""electronic communication" has the meaning given by section 4(1) of the Electronic Communications Act (Northern Ireland) 2001;".

(3) For regulation 9 (notice of place and time of examinations) substitute—

"**9.**—(1) As soon as reasonably practicable after the date of the receipt of an application for an examination and the appropriate fee for that examination the Department shall issue notice to the applicant of the vehicle testing centre at which the examination is to take place and the date and time reserved by the Department for that examination.

(**1**) 2001 c.9 (N.I.)
(**2**) S.R. 2003 No. 303; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations