STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2009 No. 343

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009

Made - - - -	*9th October 2009*
Coming into operation	*16th November 2009*

The Department of the Environment makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 66(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**) and Articles 55(1) and (2) and 110(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 and shall come into operation on 16th November 2009.

Amendment of the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995

2. For regulation 45 of the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995(**3**) (repair outfit) substitute—

"**45.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the licensee of a taxi shall cause the taxi to be provided with—

(a) a tyre fully inflated mounted on a spare rim or wheel, such tyre being suitable for use in accordance with regulation 32(1) of the Construction and Use Regulations, an efficient lifting jack and a wheelbrace or similar tool; or

(b) a post-puncture repair kit in the case of a vehicle which is supplied by the manufacturer with no facility for the carriage of a spare wheel.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a taxi which is fitted with tyres which are suitable for use in accordance with regulation 32(2) of the Construction and Use Regulations.".

(**1**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department" and "prescribed"
(**2**) S.I. 1995/2994 (N.I. 18); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "the Department"
(**3**) S.R. 1995 No. 447; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations