STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 249

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

The Public Service Vehicles Accessibility (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

Made - - - -	*6th June 2006*
Coming into operation	*19th July 2006*

The Department of the Environment makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 40 and 41 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(**1**).

In accordance with section 40(7) of that Act the Department has consulted such representative organisations as it thinks fit.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Service Vehicles Accessibility (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 and shall come into operation on 19th July 2006.

Amendment of the Public Service Vehicles Accessibility Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

2. For regulation 5 of the Public Service Vehicles Accessibility Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003(**2**)(recognition of EEA equivalent standards) there shall be substituted–

> "**Recognition of compliance with EC and EEA equivalent requirements**
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> **5.**—(1) Where a Certificate of Conformity has been issued on the basis that a Class I bus complies with Article 3 of the 2001 Directive, the requirements of these Regulations specified in Schedule 1, or Schedule 2 (but not paragraph 8 of Schedule 2), shall not apply to that bus, and in such a case the vehicle examiner may issue an accessibility certificate in respect of the bus as though the bus had complied with those requirements of these Regulations.
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> (2) In the case of a bus which has not been issued with an accessibility certificate pursuant to paragraph (1), the requirements of these Regulations specified in Schedule 1, or Schedule 2 (but not paragraph 8 of Schedule 2), shall not apply if the bus satisfies–

(**1**) 1995 c. 50; section 40 is modified in its application to Northern Ireland by paragraph 24 of Schedule 8 and section 41 is modified in its application to Northern Ireland by paragraph 25 of said Schedule

(**2**) S.R. 2003 No. 37