STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2004 No. 321

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Vehicle Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004

Made - - - -	*4th August 2004*
Coming into operation	*9th August 2004*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 63(7A), 72(2) and 110(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**1**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 and shall come into operation on 9th August 2004.

(2) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003(**2**).

New regulation 19A (certificates of temporary exemption)

2. After regulation 19 of the principal Regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation –

"**Certificates of temporary exemption**

19A.—(1) The Department may issue in respect of a vehicle a certificate of temporary exemption, by virtue of which that vehicle shall not, during the period specified in the certificate be subject to the provisions of Article 63(1) of the 1995 Order, where it is satisfied that –

(a) by reason of exceptional circumstances, as defined in paragraph (3), affecting either a vehicle testing centre or the vehicle, an examination cannot be completed by a date fixed under these Regulations for carrying out the examination; and

(b) the use of the vehicle on or after that date would constitute an offence under Article 63(1) of the 1995 Order.

(**1**) S.I.1995/2994 (N.I. 18); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "the Department" and "prescribed"
(**2**) S.R. 2003 No. 303