STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 380

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Vehicles (Specified Restrictions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

Made - - - -	*2nd November 1998*
Coming into operation	*14th December 1998*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 19A(1), (3), (5) and (8), 214(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**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 Vehicles (Specified Restrictions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 14th December 1998.

(2) In these Regulations "the 1981 Order" means the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.

(3) Expressions relating to vehicle categories shall be construed in accordance with regulation 3(2)(*a*) and (*b*) of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**2**).

Restrictions on drivers

2. All classes of motor vehicle included in category A (including sub-category A1) and category B (including sub-categories B1 and B1 (invalid carriages)) are prescribed for the purposes of Article 19A(1) and (3) of the 1981 Order.

Distinguishing mark

3. The following are prescribed for the purposes of Article 19A(5)(a) of the 1981 Order—

(a) the distinguishing mark shall be in the form set out in the Schedule; and

(**1**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department" and "prescribed"; Article 19A is in Part II of the 1981 Order as substituted by Schedule 1 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3) and was substituted by S.I. 1998/1074 (N.I. 7), Schedule 2, paragraph 3

(**2**) S.R. 1996 No. 542 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

(b) the distinguishing mark shall be displayed in a conspicuous manner on the front and rear of any motor vehicle while it is being driven on a road by a person who is subject to the specified restrictions when driving that vehicle.

Non-application of Article 19A of the 1981 Order

4. Article 19A of the 1981 Order does not apply to—

(a) any member of the Naval, Military or Air Forces of Her Majesty, while in uniform and driving a motor vehicle which is the property of the Crown;

(b) any member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary while driving a motor vehicle which is being used for police purposes;

(c) the holder of a driving licence granted under the 1981 Order by reason of a test of competence passed by him at a time when he held a licence or permit which, by virtue of an order made under the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Act 1952(**3**), entitled him to drive motor vehicles in Northern Ireland; or

(d) any person while driving a motor vehicle the maximum speed of which is restricted by the Motor Vehicles (Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(**4**) to 45 miles per hour or less.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on

2nd November 1998.

J. Ritchie
Assistant Secretary

(**3**) 1952 c. 39
(**4**) S.R. 1989 No. 203