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ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993

Made	*9th March 1993*
Coming into operation . .	*19th April 1993*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 5(3) and (4), 9(2), 19C and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 19th April 1993.

Regulations amended

2. The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991(**b**) are amended as follows—

(1) In regulation 3(2) (application), for the first two lines substitute "The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(**c**), except regulations 3, 4(2), 10(*a*), 11, 12, 21(1)(*b*) to (*e*), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8) and 27 and the".

(2) In regulation 6(**d**) (disabilities)—

(*a*) in paragraph (1) after "in addition to the disabilities prescribed by regulation 21" insert "(1)(*b*) to (*e*)";

(*b*) for paragraph (1)(*a*) substitute—

"(*a*) liability to epileptic seizures;";

(*c*) in paragraph (1)(*b*)(ii) for "in the case of a person who did not hold an existing licence on 1st January 1983 but" substitute "in the case of a person not falling within paragraph (1)(*b*)(i)".

(**a**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department" and "prescribed", Articles 5, 9 and 19C were substituted by Sch. 1 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)
(**b**) S.R. 1991 No. 100; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1992 No. 375
(**c**) S.R. 1989 No. 238; paras (7) and (8) of regulation 21 were inserted by S.R. 1991 No. 98, reg. 2(7)
(**d**) Regulation 6 was amended by S.R. 1992 No. 375, reg. 2(1)

(3) In regulation 18 (requirements for tests)—

(*a*) in paragraph (1)(*a*) after "paragraph (3)" insert "or paragraph (3A), whichever is appropriate";

(*b*) in paragraph (3) for "vehicle" where it first occurs substitute "passenger-carrying vehicle";

(*c*) in paragraph (3)(*a*) and paragraph (3)(*b*), omit sub-paragraphs (i) and (iv);

(*d*) after paragraph (3) insert the following paragraph—

"(3A) A large goods vehicle shall not be suitable for the purpose of a test unless—

(*a*) if the test is taken before 1st July 1996—

(i) in the case of a test for category C, it has a maximum authorised mass which exceeds 7.5 tonnes;

(ii) in the case of a test for category C plus E, it is either—

(A) an articulated goods vehicle combination, or

(B) a combination of vehicles comprising a vehicle in category C and a trailer with at least two axles with a permissable maximum weight in relation to the combination of at least 15 tonnes; and

(*b*) if the test is taken on or after that date, it is capable of a speed of at least 80 kilometres per hour and—

(i) in the case of a test for category C, it has a maximum authorised mass of at least 10 tonnes and an overall length of at least 7 metres;

(ii) in the case of a test for category C plus E, it is either—

(A) an articulated goods vehicle with a maximum authorised mass of at least 18 tonnes and an overall length of at least 12 metres, or

(B) a combination of vehicles with a maximum authorised mass of at least 18 tonnes and an overall length of at least 12 metres comprising a vehicle in category C with a maximum authorised mass of at least 10 tonnes and an overall length of at least 7 metres and a trailer with an overall length of at least 4 metres.".

(4) In Schedule 1 (categories of vehicles), in column (2), in the entry describing the vehicles in—

(*a*) category C and category D for "750 kg or a trailer of any mass with a single axle" substitute ", in the case of a trailer with a single axle, 5 tonnes or, in the case of any other trailer, 750 kg";

(*b*) category C plus E and category D plus E for "750 kg and with more than a single axle" substitute ", in the case of a trailer with a single axle, 5 tonnes or, in the case of any other trailer, 750 kg".

(5) For Part II of Schedule 6 substitute the provisions set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.