1992 No. 370

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Vehicles (Drivers' Hours of Duty) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

Made	*24th August 1992*
Coming into operation . .	*5th October 1992*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)(**a**), 56(1) and (5), 58, 63 and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**b**) 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 Vehicles (Drivers' Hours of Duty) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 5th October 1992.

Amendment of the 1991 Regulations

2. The Vehicles (Drivers' Hours of Duty) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991(**c**) are amended as follows—

(1) In regulation 3 (exemptions)—

(*a*) for sub-paragraph (1)(*e*) substitute—

"(*e*) a public service vehicle driven for not more than 4 hours a day by any one driver;";

(*b*) in sub-paragraph (1)(*f*) for the first two lines substitute—

"(*f*) a public service vehicle driven for more than 4 hours a day by any one driver for up to 2 days in any period of 7 days provided that on those 2 days —"; and

(*c*) in paragraph (2) in the second line omit the word "goods";

(2) For regulation 4 (continuous driving hours) substitute—

"**4.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), for the purposes of Article 56(1)(*a*) of the Order, the number of hours for a continuous period of driving shall be—

(*a*) in the case of a goods vehicle, 5 hours;

(*b*) in the case of a public service vehicle, 5½ hours.

(**a**) *See* the definition of "Department" and "prescribed"
(**b**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)
(**c**) S.R. 1991 No. 144