# 1989 No. 203

## ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

## The Motor Vehicles (Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989

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| *Made* . . . . . | *5th June 1989* |
| *Coming into operation* . . | *24th July 1989* |

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 28(1) 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 (Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 and shall come into operation on 24th July 1989.

*Speed limits*

**2.** The speed at which a motor vehicle is driven on the classes of road specified in the Schedule shall not exceed the maximum speed specified therein for a motor vehicle of the class or description mentioned therein.

*Revocation*

**3.** The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(**b**) and the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986(**c**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 5th June 1989.

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Assistant Secretary

(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)
(b) S.R. 1984 No. 135
(c) S.R. 1986 No. 267

SCHEDULE (See regulation 2)

PART I

**Vehicles fitted with pneumatic tyres on all wheels**

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| | | *Maximum speed (in miles per hour) while vehicle is being driven on:—* | | |
| *Item No.* | *Class of Vehicle* | *(a)* *Motorway* | *(b)* *Dual carriage-way road not being a Motorway* | *(c)* *Other road* |
| 1. | A passenger vehicle, car-derived van, motor cycle, motor caravan or dual purpose vehicle not drawing a trailer being a vehicle with an unladen weight not exceeding 3.05 tonnes or equipped to carry not more than 8 passengers. | 70 | 70 | 60 |
| 2. | A passenger vehicle, motor caravan or dual-purpose vehicle not drawing a trailer being a vehicle with an unladen weight exceeding 3.05 tonnes or adapted to carry more than 8 passengers— | | | |
| | (*a*) if not exceeding 12 metres in overall length; | 70 | 60 | 50 |
| | (*b*) if exceeding 12 metres in overall length. | 60 | 60 | 50 |
| 3. | A passenger vehicle, car-derived van, motor caravan or dual-purpose vehicle drawing one trailer. | 60 | 60 | 50 |
| 4. | A passenger vehicle, car-derived van, motor caravan or dual-purpose vehicle drawing more than one trailer. | 40 | 20 | 20 |

PART I (*continued*)

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| 5. | (1) A goods vehicle having a maximum laden weight not exceeding 7.5 tonnes and which is not—<br>(*a*) an articulated vehicle;<br>(*b*) drawing a trailer; or<br>(*c*) a car-derived van. | 70 | 60 | 50 |
| | (2) A goods vehicle which is—<br>(*a*) (i) an articulated vehicle having a maximum laden weight not exceeding 7.5 tonnes; or<br>(ii) a motor vehicle, other than a car-derived van, which is drawing one trailer where the aggregate maximum laden weight of the motor vehicle and the trailer does not exceed 7.5 tonnes; | 60 | 60 | 50 |
| | (*b*) (i) an articulated vehicle having a maximum laden weight exceeding 7.5 tonnes;<br>(ii) a motor vehicle having a maximum laden weight exceeding 7.5 tonnes and not drawing a trailer; or<br>(iii) a motor vehicle drawing one trailer where the aggregate maximum laden weight of the motor vehicle and the trailer exceeds 7.5 tonnes; | 60 | 50 | 40 |
| | (*c*) a motor vehicle, other than a car-derived van, drawing more than one trailer. | 40 | 20 | 20 |

PART I (*continued*)

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| 6. | A motor tractor (other than an industrial tractor), a light locomotive or a heavy locomotive—<br>(*a*) if the provisions about springs and wings as specified in paragraph 3 of Part IV are complied with and the vehicle is not drawing a trailer or if those provisions are complied with and the vehicle is drawing one trailer which also complies with those provisions;<br>(*b*) in any other case. | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>40<br>20 | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>30<br>20 | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>30<br>20 |
| 7. | A works truck. | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| 8. | An industrial tractor. | not applicable | 18 | 18 |
| 9. | An agricultural motor vehicle. | 40 | 40 | 40 |

PART II

**Vehicles, other than track-laying vehicles, not fitted with pneumatic tyres on all wheels**

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| *Item No.* | *Class of Vehicle* | *Maximum speed (in miles per hour) while being driven on any road* |
| 1. | A motor vehicle, or in the case of a motor vehicle drawing one or more trailers, the combination, where—<br>(*a*) every wheel is fitted with a resilient tyre; or<br>(*b*) at least one wheel is fitted with a resilient tyre and every wheel which is not fitted with a resilient tyre is fitted with a pneumatic tyre. | <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>20 |
| 2. | A motor vehicle, or in the case of a motor vehicle drawing one or more trailers, the combination, where any wheel is not fitted with either a pneumatic tyre or a resilient tyre. | <br><br><br><br>5 |