STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 144

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Community Bus (Amendment) Regulations 1980

Made - - -	*4th February 1980*
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Coming into Operation	*5th March 1980*

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 40(1) and (3) of the Road Traffic Act 1972(**a**), section 5(6) and (9) of the Transport Act 1978(**b**) and section 160(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(**c**) and now vested in him(**d**), and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 199(2) of the said Act of 1972 and of section 260(2) of the said Act of 1960, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 5th March 1980 and may be cited as the Community Bus (Amendment) Regulations 1980.

2. The Community Bus Regulations 1978(**e**) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

3. In Schedule 1 (Fire extinguishing apparatus) for Part II there shall be substituted the following part:—

" PART II

A fire extinguisher which complies in all respects with the specification for portable fire extinguishers issued by the British Standards Institution, published on 31st December 1976 and numbered B.S.5423:77 and which either—

(*a*) contains water with a minimum test fire rating of 8A, or

(*b*) contains foam with a minimum test fire rating of 8A and 21B, or

(*c*) contains and is marked to indicate that it contains halon 1211 or halon 1301 with, in either case, a minimum test fire rating of 21B.".

(**a**) 1972 c. 20.
(**b**) 1978 c. 55.
(**c**) 1960 c. 16, as amended by section 8(1) of and paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to the Transport Act 1978 (c.55)
(**d**) S.I. 1979/571.
(**e**) S.I. 1978/1313.

4. In Schedule 2 (First aid equipment)—

(*a*) in item (i) the words "(not less than 18.5 centimetres x 11.0 centimetres)" shall be omitted; and

(*b*) in item (iii) the words "sterile" shall be omitted.

4th February 1980.

Norman Fowler,
Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations amend the Community Bus Regulations 1978 by slightly:—

(*a*) amending the requirements relating to fire extinguishing apparatus which may be carried on a community bus being used before 31st December 1988, and which shall be carried on a community bus being used on or after 31st December 1988, and

(*b*) amending (by making slightly less stringent) the requirements relating to first aid equipment which shall be carried on a community bus.