1991 No. 355

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Goods Vehicles (Certification) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991

Made . . . . . *6th August 1991*

Coming into operation . . . . . *2nd September 1991*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)(**a**), 53(3), 54(1), 58(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**b**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(**c**) as regards regulation 2(2) and (3), makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Goods Vehicles (Certification) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 and shall come into operation on 2nd September 1991.

Amendment of the 1990 *Regulations*

2. The Goods Vehicles (Certification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990(**d**) are amended as follows—

(1) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) insert in the appropriate place the following definition—

" "maximum gross weight" has the same meaning as in Article 19D(**e**) of the Order;".

(2) In regulation 7 (fees) for the Table substitute—

"TABLE

PART I

Fee Payable on Application under regulation 3(3) or 6(2)

(1) *Class of Vehicle*	(2) *Amount of Fee*
3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or under	£16.65
Over 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight	£30.80
Trailer	£16.70

(**a**) *See* the definition of "Department" and "prescribed"
(**b**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)
(**c**) Formerly the Department of Finance. *See* S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3
(**d**) S.R. 1990 No. 224
(**e**) Article 19D was inserted by Sch. 1 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)

PART II

Fee Payable on Application under regulation 6(3)

(1) *Class of Vehicle*	(2) *Amount of Fee*
3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or under	£8.30
Over 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight	£15.60
Trailer	£9.00

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(3) In regulation 9(1) (duplicate certificate) for "£8.25" substitute "£8.80".

(4) In regulation 18 (exemptions from the requirement to have a goods vehicle certificate)—

(*a*) for class (22) substitute—

"(22) a living van the maximum gross weight of which does not exceed 3,500 kilograms;"; and

(*b*) in class (34) at the end of the paragraph delete "or" and after class (34) insert—

"(34A) a converter dolly used solely for the purpose of agriculture, horticulture and forestry, or for any one or two of those purposes; or".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 6th August 1991.

(L.S.)

Trevor Pearson
Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel approves regulation 2(2) and (3).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 7th August 1991.

(L.S.)

Doreen Brown
Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Goods Vehicles (Certification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990 as follows:

(1) The weight threshold for classes of vehicles is changed from 1,525 kilograms unladen weight to 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight.

(2) The fees payable on application or re-application for certificates for goods vehicles and trailers are increased as follows—

(*a*) for vehicles not exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight from £15.50 to £16.65;

(*b*) for vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight from £28.00 to £30.80;

(*c*) for trailers from £15.25 to £16.70;

(*d*) where re-application is made within 21 days from a notice of refusal and the vehicle is presented for re-examination on a date arranged by the Department of the Environment—

(i) for vehicles not exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight from £7.75 to £8.30;

(ii) for vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight from £14.25 to £15.60; and

(iii) for trailers from £8.25 to £9.00 (regulation 2(2)).

(3) The fee payable on application for a duplicate certificate for a goods vehicle or trailer is increased from £8.25 to £8.80 (regulation 2(3)).

(4) The exemption from the requirement to have a goods vehicle certificate in relation to the class which deals with living vans is amended to take account of the weight threshold change and a converter dolly used for agriculture, horticulture or forestry is added to the classes of exemption.