STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1969 No. 902 (C. 22)

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Commencement) Order 1969

Made - - - -	1*st July* 1969
Laid before Parliament	16*th July* 1969
Coming into Operation	4*th August* 1969

The Minister of Transport in exercise of his powers under section 192(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(**a**) as substituted by section 19(1) of the Road Safety Act 1967(**b**) and under section 199 of the said Act of 1960 hereby makes the following Order:—

1. The day specified for the purposes of paragraph 1 of Schedule 15 to the Road Traffic Act 1960 as amended by section 32(1) of and Schedule 1 to the Road Safety Act 1967 shall be the 1st February 1970.

2. The day appointed for the purposes of section 192(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960 as amended by section 19(1) of the Road Safety Act 1967 shall be the 2nd February 1970.

3. This Order may be cited as the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Commencement) Order 1969, and shall come into operation on the 4th August 1969.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 1st July 1969.

(L.S.)

Richard Marsh,
Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Under the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) Regulations 1969 (S.I. 1969/903) heavy goods vehicle drivers' licences may be applied for and issued, on a voluntary basis, on and after the 4th August 1969. Generally, existing drivers who have not less than six months' experience of driving such vehicles in the year ending on a specified date are eligible for such a licence without passing a test. Article 1 provides that the date on which the year ends is the 1st February 1970.

Article 2 of this Order provides that section 192(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960 shall come into force on the 2nd February 1970. On and after that day it will be an offence under Part V of the Road Traffic Act 1960

(a) 1960. c. 16. (b) 1967 c. 30.

for any person to drive, or to employ another person to drive, most types of heavy goods vehicles on a road, unless the driver holds a heavy goods vehicle driver's licence authorising him to drive a heavy goods vehicle of that class.