STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 198

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Hackney Carriages (Belfast) (Amendment) By-Laws (Northern Ireland) 2001

Made . . . . . *8th May 2001*

Coming into operation . . *18th June 2001*

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 65(1) and (2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following By-Laws:

Citation and commencement

1. These By-Laws may be cited as the Motor Hackney Carriages (Belfast) (Amendment) By-Laws (Northern Ireland) 2001 and shall come into operation on 18th June 2001.

By-Laws amended

2. For by-law 26(1) of the By-Laws relating to Motor Hackney Carriages standing or plying for hire made by the Council of the County Borough of Belfast on 4th June 1951(**b**) there shall be substituted—

"**26.**—(1) The fares payable for the hire of a Motor Hackney Carriage within the prescribed limits shall be—

(*a*) fare where not more than 4 passengers are carried—		
for the first one and one-half miles or part of such distance	minimum	£2·50
	maximum	£2·50
for every subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part of such distance	minimum	11p
	maximum	11p
for each minute or part of a minute during which the taxi is kept waiting by the hirer	minimum	16p
	maximum	16p
(*b*) additional fare—		
for each passenger exceeding 4 carried for the entire distance	minimum	24p
	maximum	24p

(**a**) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); *see* Article 2(2) for the definition of "Department"
(**b**) The relevant amending By-Laws are S.R. 1984 No. 298 and S.R. 1996 No. 523

for each piece of luggage carried on the outside of the taxi	minimum	20p
	maximum	20p
In assessing additional fares every child under the age of 6 years and/or one child over 6 and under 12 years shall be disregarded. Two children between the ages of 6 and 12 years shall be counted as one passenger.”.		

Revocation

3. The Motor Hackney Carriages (Belfast) (Amendment No. 2) By-Laws (Northern Ireland) 1996(**a**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 8th May 2001.

(L.S.) *Sam Foster*
Minister of the Environment

(**a**) S.R. 1996 No. 523

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the By-Laws.)

These By-Laws amend the Motor Hackney Carriages (Belfast) By-Laws made by the Council of the County Borough of Belfast on 4th June 1951 by fixing the minimum and maximum fares payable as follows—

(1)	fare for hire of a taxi where not more than 4 passengers are carried—		
	for the first one and one-half miles or part of such distance	minimum	£2·50
		maximum	£2·50
	for every subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part of such distance	minimum	11p
		maximum	11p
	for each minute or part of a minute during which the taxi is kept waiting by the hirer	minimum	16p
		maximum	16p
(2)	additional fare—		
	for each passenger exceeding 4 carried for the entire distance	minimum	24p
		maximum	24p
	for each piece of luggage carried on the outside of the taxi	minimum	20p
		maximum	20p

The Motor Hackney Carriages (Belfast) (Amendment No. 2) By-Laws (Northern Ireland) 1996 are revoked as a consequence of these By-Laws.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared and copies can be obtained from Road Transport Licensing Division, Driver and Vehicle Licensing Northern Ireland, 148-158 Corporation Street, Belfast, BT1 3DH (telephone 028 9025 4100, fax 028 9025 4003). A copy has been placed in the library of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

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