1968 No. 438

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (Amendment) Order 1968

Made - - - 15*th March* 1968

Coming into Operation 8*th April* 1968

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of her powers under section 64(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(**a**) as amended by section 51 of and Schedule 4 to the Road Traffic Act 1962(**b**) and under subsections (5) and (6) of the said section 64 and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order :—

1.—(1) This Order shall come into operation on 8th April 1968 and may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (Amendment) Order 1968.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**c**) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) General Order 1966(**d**) shall have effect as though—

(1) Article 11 (Showmen's trailers) were deleted ; and

(2) in Article 20 (Interpretation), for the definition of "abnormal indivisible load", there were substituted the following definition—

" "abnormal indivisible load" means a load—

(*a*) which cannot without undue expense or risk of damage be divided into two or more loads for the purpose of carriage on roads, and

(*b*) which—

(i) owing to its dimensions, cannot be carried by a heavy motor car or trailer or a combination of a heavy motor car and trailer complying in all respects with the requirements of the Construction and Use Regulations, or

(ii) owing to its weight cannot be carried by a heavy motor car or trailer or a combination of a heavy motor car and trailer having a total laden weight of less than 24 tons and complying in all respects with the requirements of the Construction and Use Regulations ;".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 15th March 1968.

(L.S.)

J. R. Madge,
An Under Secretary of the Ministry of Transport.

(**a**) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.
(**b**) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.
(**c**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(**d**) S.I. 1966/1289 (1966 III, p. 3579).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Motor Vehicle (Authorisation of Special Types) General Order 1966 by—

1. deleting Article 11 relating to the use of showmen's trailers as these provisions are now included in Regulation 58 of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1966 (S.I. 1966/1288), as amended by the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1968 (S.I. 1968/426) (Article 2(1)); and

2. redefining the meaning of "abnormal indivisible load" in Article 20 to authorise the use of special vehicles manufactured on or after 1st December 1966 to carry such loads with a gross weight of between 24 and 32 tons (Article 2(2)).