STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1969 No. 1761

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 1969

Made - - -	*8th December* 1969
Laid before Parliament	*22nd December* 1969
Coming into Operation	*1st January* 1970

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of his powers under section 64(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a), as amended by section 51 of and Schedule 4 to the Road Traffic Act 1962(b), and as extended by section 8 of the Road Safety Act 1967(c) and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 260(2) of the said Act of 1960, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st January 1970 and may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 1969.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1969(e), as amended (f), shall have effect as though—

(1) in Regulation 118, after the definition of "Ministry plate" there were inserted the following definition:—

" "Ministry test date disc" means a plate issued by the Minister for a goods vehicle, being a trailer, following the issue of a goods vehicle test certificate for that trailer under the plating and testing regulations and containing the following particulars namely:—

(*a*) the identification mark allotted to that trailer and shown in that certificate;

(*b*) the date until which that certificate is valid;

(*c*) the number of the vehicle testing station shown in the said certificate;";

(2) after Regulation 120, there were inserted the following Regulation:—

"120A. On and after 1st February 1970, every goods vehicle to which this Part of these Regulations applies, being a trailer, shall as from each date (on or after the said 1st February) on which a goods vehicle test certificate is issued for that trailer under the plating and testing regulations (being a test certificate which will expire on or

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.
(b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.
(c) 1967 c. 30.
(d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(e) S.I. 1969/321 (1969 I, p. 829).
(f) There is no relevant amending instrument.

after 1st February 1971) carry in the relevant position and in legible condition a Ministry test date disc issued for that trailer following the issue of that test certificate until the date of expiry of that test certificate or the date of issue of a further test certificate for that trailer, whichever date is the earlier, and shall not display that disc after that one of such dates as is the earlier.

In this Regulation "relevant position" means a conspicuous and readily accessible position, being such that the disc is clearly visible by daylight from the nearside of the road.".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 8th December 1969.

(L.S.)

Fred Mulley,
Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1969 by in general requiring as from the 1st February 1970 trailers, for which goods vehicle test certificates have been issued after that date, to carry a current test date disc in a conspicuous position on the trailer.