EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations consolidate with amendment the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations, 1947, as subsequently amended.

The principal changes are :—

1. The definition of licence in Regulation 3 (1) is amended to make it clear that the Regulations do not apply to licences granted by virtue of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1930 (S.R. & O. 1930 (No. 968) p. 1680) which makes special provision for the grant of driving licences to temporary visitors to Great Britain who hold International Driving Permits.

2. Provision is made in Regulation 4 (2) for the submission of simplified forms of application for licences by visitors who wish to drive immediately upon their arrival if they are duly authorised to drive in a country other than Great Britain. This provision does not cover the holders of International Driving Permits for whom similar provision is already made under the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Regulations, 1941 (S.R. & O. 1941 (No. 1219) I p. 969).

3. Special provision is no longer made in Regulation 7 for driving tests for members of the National Fire Service, the functions of which were, in 1948, transferred to fire brigades maintained under the Fire Services Act, 1947.

4. In Regulation 14 the fee of 7s. 6d. for a driving test is increased to 10s. This is the fee applicable to vehicles other than mowing machines, pedestrian controlled vehicles, invalid carriages and certain vehicles used on roads only to a limited extent.

5. Regulation 15, which exempts visitors from abroad who either hold an International Driving Permit or are duly authorised to drive in a country other than Great Britain from the requirement to take driving tests has been extended to dispense with the requirements of section 5 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930 (which makes provision as to the physical fitness of applicants for licences), in the case of such persons.

The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950

1950 No. 2108

Made - - - -	21*st December*, 1950
Laid before Parliament	22*nd December*, 1950
Coming into Operation	1*st January*, 1951

The Minister of Transport in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 30 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930(a), and section 6 of the Road Traffic Act, 1934(b), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1951, and may be cited as " The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950 ".

(a) 20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. 43. (b) 24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. 50.

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

2. The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations, 1950(b), shall have effect as though—

(*a*) in paragraph (1) of Regulation 3 for the definition of "agricultural tractor" there were substituted the following definition—

"'agricultural tractor' means a motor tractor as defined in section 2 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, and used primarily for work on land in connection with agriculture"; and

(*b*) in sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (3) of Regulation 16 there were added after the words "in the case of a motor bicycle" the words "(other than a pedal bicycle of the tandem type to which additional means of propulsion by mechanical power are attached)".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this 21st day of December, 1950.

(L.S.) *Alfred Barnes,*
The Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations, 1950, by providing that for the purpose of those Regulations agricultural tractors are defined primarily by reference to their user rather than by their classification for taxation purposes, and by providing that the holder of a provisional licence when driving an ordinary "tandem" bicycle to which a motor is attached may now carry a passenger who is himself not qualified to drive a motor bicycle.

The Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950

1950 No. 334

Made - - - -	*9th March,* 1950
Laid before Parliament	11*th March,* 1950
Coming into Operation	1*st April,* 1950

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 7 and 20 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949(c), and Articles 5 and 7 of the Motor Car (International Circulation) Order, 1930(d), and of all other powers him enabling, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1950, and may be cited as "The Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950".

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(b) S.I. 1950 No. 333, p. 737 above.
(c) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 89.
(d) S.R. & O. 1930 (No. 968) p. 1680.