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The Minister of Transport, in exercise of his powers under section 99 of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a), as extended by section 25 of the Road Traffic Act 1962(b) and as amended by section 51 of and Schedule 4 to that 'Act, and under sections 100, 101, 102, 113, 114 and 253 of the Road Traffic Act 1960 and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 260(2) of the said Act of 1960, hereby makes the following Regulations: —

PART I—PRELIMINARY

Commencement and citation

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st July 1963, and may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1963.

Revocation, savings and transitional provisions

2.—(1) The Regulations specified in Part I of Schedule 1 to these Regulations are hereby revoked but, subject as hereinafter provided,—

(*a*) in so far as any application or appointment made, notice or approval given, licence, certificate or other document issued or other thing done, under the said Regulations could have been made, given, issued or done under a corresponding provision of these Regulations, it shall not be invalidated by the said revocation but shall have effect as if made, given, issued or done under that corresponding provision,

(*b*) any reference in any such application, appointment, notice, approval, licence, certificate or other document to any provision of the Regulations revoked by these Regulations, whether specifically or by means of a general description, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to the corresponding provision of these Regulations, and

(*c*) nothing in the foregoing provisions of this Regulation shall affect the continued operation of a licence issued before the date of coming into operation of these Regulations and in force on that date, being a licence issued to a person not resident in Great Britain in pursuance of Regulation 15 of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1950(c) as amended by the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1957(d) or preclude the issue of such a licence, other than one which could be issued under Regulation 22 of these Regulations, to such a person who has made an application before that date.

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.
(b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.
(c) S.I. 1950/333 (1950 II, p. 737).
(d) S.I. 1957/1244 (1957 II, p. 1944).

(2) The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Weight) Regulations 1961(a) are hereby revoked, and the maximum weight specified in section 253(4) of the Act of 1960 (which defines the expression "motor cycle" for the purposes of that Act) which, in the case of motor cycles having three wheels, was varied by the last mentioned Regulations for the purposes of section 102 of that Act (which relates to the grant of provisional licences for the purpose of enabling an applicant for a driving licence to learn to drive a motor vehicle with a view to passing a driving test) as amended by section 2 of the Road Traffic (Driving of Motor Cycles) Act 1960(b) (which provides that provisional licences are not to authorise the driving of heavy motor cycles) shall be further varied to eight hundredweight.

(3) Nothing in these Regulations shall be taken as altering the classes or descriptions of vehicles which the holder of a licence granted before the date of coming into operation of these Regulations and in force on that date is thereby authorised to drive.

(4) The provisions of Regulation 7 of these Regulations shall apply in relation to a provisional licence granted before the date of coming into operation of these Regulations, and in force on that date, as they apply in relation to a provisional licence granted on or after that date.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

"Act of 1960" means the Road Traffic Act 1960;

"agricultural tractor" means a motor tractor used primarily for work on land in connection with agriculture;

"clerk to the traffic commissioners" means the clerk to the traffic commissioner for the Metropolitan Traffic Area or the clerk to the traffic commissioners for any other traffic area;

"licence" means a licence to drive a motor vehicle granted under Part II of the Act of 1960;

"licensing authority" means—

(*a*) in relation to England and Wales, the council of a county or of a county borough; and

(*b*) in relation to Scotland, the council of a county or of a burgh containing within its boundaries as ascertained, fixed or determined for police purposes, a population according to the census for the time being last taken, of or exceeding 50,000;

"moped" means a motor cycle whereof the cylinder capacity of the engine does not exceed 50 cubic centimetres, being a cycle equipped with pedals by means whereof it is capable of being propelled;

"provisional licence" means a licence granted by virtue of section 102 of the Act of 1960;

"the Minister" means the Minister of Transport;

"test of competence to drive" means such a test conducted under section 99 of the Act of 1960;

"test of fitness to drive" means a test as to a person's fitness or ability to drive, being a test conducted under section 100 of the Act of 1960;

"test" means a test of competence or of fitness to drive;

(a) S.I. 1961/1215 (1961 II, p. 2418). (b) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 69.

" vehicle propelled by electrical power " means a vehicle of which the motive power is solely derived from any electrical storage battery carried on the vehicle and not connected to any source of power when the vehicle is in motion.

(2) In these Regulations references to any enactment shall be construed as references to that enactment as amended by or under any subsequent enactment.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if for the purposes of section 38 of that Act these Regulations were an Act of Parliament and the Regulations revoked by Regulation 2 of these Regulations were Acts of Parliament thereby repealed.

PART II—LICENCES

Applications for the grant of licences

4.—(1) A person who desires to obtain the grant of a licence shall apply to the licensing authority in whose area he resides or, if he has no residence in Great Britain, to any licensing authority and shall furnish all relevant particulars and make any relevant declaration specified in the form set out in Schedule 2 to these Regulations.

(2) Applications for the grant of a licence may be received and dealt with at any time within two months before the date on which the grant of the licence is to take effect.

(3) Any fee payable on the grant of a licence by virtue of section 101 or 102 of the Act of 1960 shall be paid before the applicant is entitled to receive the licence.

Form of Licences

5.—(1) Licences shall be issued in the form of a book containing—

(*a*) such particulars as are prescribed by the following provisions of this Regulation, and

(*b*) not less than four pages which shall be reserved for endorsements.

(2) Subject to paragraph (5) of this Regulation, a licence, other than a provisional licence, shall contain particulars in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 3 to these Regulations of—

(*a*) the name and address of the holder of the licence, and

(*b*) the vehicles or classes or descriptions of vehicles which the licence authorises its holder to drive.

(3) Where a licence, other than a provisional licence, is limited to the driving of vehicles of a particular construction or design only, the licence shall specify the restriction by which the licence is so limited.

(4) Subject to paragraph (5) of this Regulation, a provisional licence shall contain particulars in the form set out in Part II of the said Schedule 3 specifying the name and address of the holder of the licence and authorising the holder to drive all motor vehicles, other than those of a class or description for which he is disqualified for obtaining a licence under section 108 of the Act of 1960, subject to the restriction on the driving of motor cycles specified in Part III of the said Schedule 3.

(5) Where a licence is issued to a person under 21 years of age the extent of any relevant minimum age restriction shall be specified in the licence by limiting the licence to the driving of vehicles of a class or description

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

which its holder is not prohibited from driving by that restriction and by stating any effect of that restriction on the circumstances in which he may drive any such class or description of vehicle.

(6) Where an applicant for a licence is already the holder of a licence, whether issued to him before or after the coming into operation of these Regulations, the licensing authority may, instead of issuing him with a new book, issue the appropriate licence by affixing in the book already held a page or pages containing such particulars as would fall to be included in any new book issued to the applicant.

(7) In this Regulation, "relevant minimum age restriction", in relation to a licence issued to a person who is under 21 years old, means such of the restrictions imposed by section 97 of the Act of 1960 and the Motor Vehicles (Minimum Age for Driving) Regulations 1963(a) made thereunder on the driving of certain classes and descriptions of motor vehicles as apply to the licence holder on the date when the licence first takes effect.

Fees for provisional licences

6. The fee to be paid on the grant of a provisional licence shall be 10s. 0d.

Conditions attached to provisional licences

7.—(1) Subject to the provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of this Regulation the holder of a provisional licence shall comply with the following conditions in relation to motor vehicles of a class or description which he is authorised to drive by virtue of the provisional licence, that is to say he shall not drive or ride such a motor vehicle—

(*a*) otherwise than under the supervision of a qualified driver who is present with him in or on the vehicle;

(*b*) unless there is clearly displayed in a conspicuous manner on the front and on the back of the vehicle a distinguishing mark in the form set out in Schedule 4 to these Regulations;

(*c*) while it is being used to draw a trailer;

(*d*) in the case of a motor bicycle not having attached thereto a side-car, while carrying on it a person who is not a qualified driver:

Provided that where the holder of a provisional licence has passed a test which authorises him to be granted a licence (not being a provisional licence) comprising a particular class or description of vehicles the above-mentioned conditions shall cease to apply in relation to the driving or riding (as the case may be) by him of motor vehicles of that class or description.

(2) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(*a*) of this Regulation shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence—

(*a*) is undergoing a test; or

(*b*) is driving a vehicle (not being a motor car) constructed to carry only one person and not adapted to carry more than one person; or

(*c*) is driving a vehicle the unladen weight of which does not exceed 16 hundredweight, being a vehicle propelled by electrical power, constructed or adapted to carry only one person and constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods or burden of any description; or

(*d*) is driving a road roller the unladen weight of which does not exceed 3 tons, being a vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods or burden of any description; or

(a) S.I. 1963/1025 (1963 II, p. 1728).

(*e*) is riding a motor bicycle, whether or not having attached thereto a side-car.

(3) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(*c*) of this Regulation shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence is driving an agricultural tractor, nor shall it prevent the holder of a provisional licence driving an articulated vehicle.

(4) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(*d*) of this Regulation shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence is riding a pedal cycle of the tandem type to which additional means of propulsion by mechanical power are attached.

(5) In this Regulation "qualified driver" means a person who holds a licence, not being a provisional licence, authorising him to drive a motor vehicle of the same class or description as the vehicle being driven by the holder of the provisional licence.

Signature of licences

8. Every person to whom a licence is granted shall forthwith sign it in ink with his usual signature.

Lost or defaced licences

9.—(1) If the holder of a licence satisfies the licensing authority by whom it was granted that the licence has been lost or defaced the licensing authority shall, on payment of a fee of 2s. 6d., issue to him a duplicate licence and shall endorse thereon any particulars endorsed upon the original licence and the duplicate so issued shall have the same effect as the original.

(2) If at any time while a duplicate licence is in force the original licence is found and the person to whom the original licence was issued becomes aware of the fact he shall, if it is not in his possession, take all reasonable steps to obtain possession of it and shall return it as soon as may be to the licensing authority by whom it was issued.

Records of licences and endorsements

10. Every licensing authority shall establish and keep, in such form as the Minister may direct, a record of all licences issued by them and a record of all endorsements from time to time duly made on such licences.

Production to licensing authorities and police of particulars relating to licences

11. A licensing authority shall, upon application being made to them by any other licensing authority, by any officer of police not below the rank of inspector, or by a constable authorised by such officer, forthwith provide, without fee, a copy of the particulars recorded by them relating to any licence granted by them.

PART III—TESTS OF COMPETENCE AND OF FITNESS TO DRIVE

Nature of tests

12.—(1) For the purposes of these Regulations, motor vehicles are divided into Groups respectively referred to by the numerals specified in the first column of Schedule 5 to these Regulations and consisting of vehicles of the classes or descriptions specified in the second column of that Schedule as being comprised in those Groups.

(2) Subject to the following provisions of this Regulation, the test of competence to drive which a person is required to pass before a licence can be granted to him authorising him to drive a motor vehicle of a class or description comprised in any particular Group shall be a test carried out on a vehicle of that class or description which satisfies the person conducting the test—

(*a*) that the person taking the test is fully conversant with the contents of the Highway Code;

(*b*) generally that the person taking the test is competent to drive, without danger to and with due consideration for other users of the road, the vehicle on which he is tested; and

(*c*) that the person taking the test is able to comply with such of the additional requirements specified in Schedule 6 to these Regulations as are referred to in the third column of the said Schedule 5 in relation to the Group which comprises the class or description of vehicle on which he is tested.

(3) Subject to the following provisions of this Regulation, where a person claims under subsection (4) or (6) of section 100 of the Act of 1960 to be subjected to a test of fitness to drive a motor vehicle, the test shall be a test carried out on a vehicle of a class or description which that person is or would be authorised to drive by the licence which he holds or has applied for and which satisfies the person conducting the test—

(*a*) generally that the person taking the test is fit to drive, without danger to and with due consideration for other users of the road, the vehicle on which he is tested; and

(*b*) that the person taking the test is able to comply with such of the additional requirements specified in the said Schedule 6 as are referred to in the third column of the said Schedule 5 in relation to any Group which comprises vehicles of a class or description which that person is or would be authorised to drive by the licence which he holds or has applied for.

(4) A person who has passed a test of competence or a test of fitness to drive vehicles of a class or description comprised in any particular Group shall be deemed for the purposes of the Act of 1960 and of these Regulations competent or, as the case may be, fit to drive, in addition to vehicles of a class or description comprised in that particular Group, also vehicles of a class or description comprised in any other Group which is referred to in the fourth column of the said Schedule 5 as being an additional Group in relation to that particular Group.

(5) A test of competence may be taken in conjunction with a test of fitness and, subject to the following paragraph, where a person who takes a test of fitness to drive vehicles of a class or description comprised in any particular Group has not previously passed a test of competence to drive vehicles of that class or description, he shall, if he passes that test of fitness, and satisfies the person conducting the test that he is fully conversant with the contents of the Highway Code, be deemed also to have passed that test of competence.

(6) Where a test of fitness proves the fitness of a person taking that test to drive vehicles of a particular construction or design only, that person shall not be deemed to have failed to pass that test or any test of competence which he takes in conjunction with that test by reason only of the fact that he was not, on the occasion of either test, tested on a vehicle of that construction or design.

(7) An applicant for a driving licence who has passed a test of competence to drive before the coming into operation of these Regulations shall for the purposes of the Act of 1960 and of these Regulations be deemed to be competent to drive a vehicle of any class or description which he was deemed to be competent to drive before that date by virtue of any regulations in operation before that date.

(8) Paragraph (*b*) of section 99(5) of the Act of 1960 (which provides for tests of competence to drive to be taken as sufficient for the granting of licences authorising the driving of particular classes or descriptions of vehicles) shall apply—

(*a*) to motor tricycles not equipped with means for reversing and mopeds (as respects a test of competence to drive vehicles of a class or description comprised in Group 1 specified in the first column of the said Schedule 5 passed before the coming into operation of these Regulations); and

(*b*) to motor tricycles equipped with means for reversing (as respects a test of competence to drive vehicles of a class or description comprised in Group 7 specified in the said first column passed before the said coming into operation).

(9) Nothing in this Regulation shall be deemed to authorise the grant of a licence to any person authorising him to drive a vehicle of a class or description or construction or design in a case where he is not entitled to the grant of such a licence by virtue of the provisions of section 100 of the Act of 1960 either as the result of his failing to pass a test to which he has claimed to be subjected under the said section 100 (whether taken before or after the coming into operation of these Regulations) or as the result of any such test proving his fitness to drive vehicles of a particular construction or design only.

Persons by whom tests may be conducted

13. Tests may be conducted—

(*a*) by examiners appointed by the Minister;

(*b*) by the Admiralty, the Army Council, the Air Council and the Postmaster-General, in so far as concerns the testing of persons in the service of the Crown under their respective departments;

(*c*) in England and Wales, by the chief officer of any fire brigade maintained in pursuance of the Fire Services Act 1947(a) or, in Scotland, by the firemaster of such a brigade, in so far as concerns the testing of members of any such brigade or of persons employed in the driving of motor vehicles for the purposes of any such brigade;

(*d*) by any chief officer of police in so far as concerns the testing—

(i) of members of a police force, or

(ii) of persons employed in the driving of vehicles for police purposes by a police authority or by the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District;

(*e*) by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis in so far as concerns the testing of any person who is the holder of or is an applicant for a licence to drive a motor cab by virtue of the Metropolitan Public Carriage Act 1869(b) and of any person residing in the Metropolitan Traffic Area who is the holder of, or an applicant for, a licence to drive a public service vehicle;

(a) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 41. (b) 32 & 33 Vict. c. 115.

(*f*) by the Royal Automobile Club, the Automobile Association or the Royal Scottish Automobile Club in so far as concerns the testing of any person residing outside Great Britain who applies to either of the said Clubs or the said Association for a test within one month from the date when he last arrived in Great Britain ; and

(*g*) in the case only of tests of competence to drive, by any person appointed for the purpose by the Minister under the provisions of the following Regulation.

14.—(1) Any person may apply to the Minister to be appointed to conduct tests of competence to drive of persons employed or proposed to be employed by him as drivers, and the Minister may, if he is satisfied—

(*a*) that the number of drivers of motor vehicles ordinarily employed by the applicant exceeds 250 ;

(*b*) that proper arrangements will be made by the applicant for the conduct of such tests in accordance with these Regulations ; and

(*c*) that proper records of such tests and the results thereof will be kept by the applicant,

grant the application subject to any special conditions which he may think fit to impose.

(2) The Minister may at any time revoke an appointment made by him under this Regulation and the authority to conduct tests shall thereupon cease.

15. Any person authorised by virtue of paragraph (*b*), (*c*), (*d*), (*e*), (*f*) or (*g*) of Regulation 13 of these Regulations to conduct tests may, subject to the approval of the Minister, authorise suitable persons to act as examiners of those who submit themselves for a test.

Appointments for tests and notice of cancellation thereof

16.—(1) A person who desires to take a test to be conducted by an examiner appointed under paragraph (*a*) of Regulation 13 of these Regulations shall apply for an appointment for such a test to the clerk to the traffic commissioners.

(2) An applicant for such an appointment as aforesaid shall, when making the application, pay to the said clerk such fee in respect of the test as is specified in paragraph (3) of the following Regulation and the clerk shall make any arrangements necessary for the taking of the test.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (*b*) of subsection (2) of section 25 of the Road Traffic Act 1962 (which subsection specifies the only circumstances in which a fee paid on application for an appointment for a test may be repaid) notice cancelling an appointment for such a test as is mentioned in paragraph (1) of this Regulation shall be given to the clerk to the traffic commissioners by whom the appointment was made not less than three clear days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, any bank holiday, Christmas Day or Good Friday) before the date of the appointment.

For the purposes of this paragraph " bank holiday " means a day which is, or is to be observed as, a bank holiday, or a holiday, under the Bank Holidays Act 1871(**a**) or the Holidays Extension Act 1875(**b**), either generally or in the locality in which is situated the office of the clerk to the traffic commissioners to whom notice cancelling an appointment for a test falls to be given.

(**a**) 34 & 35 Vict. c. 17. (**b**) 38 & 39 Vict. c. 13.

Fees in respect of tests

17.—(1) The following provisions of this Regulation shall apply as respects the fees payable in respect of tests.

(2) No fee shall be payable in respect of a test conducted by a person authorised by virtue of paragraph (*b*), (*c*), (*d*) or (*g*) of Regulation 13 of these Regulations.

(3) The fee payable in respect of a test to be conducted by an examiner appointed under paragraph (*a*) of the said Regulation 13 or by a person authorised by virtue of paragraph (*e*) or (*f*) of that Regulation—

(*a*) in the case of a test to be taken on a vehicle of a class or description in Group 3, 9 or 10, as specified in Schedule 5 to these Regulations, shall be 2s. 6d.; and

(*b*) in the case of a test to be taken on any other vehicle, shall be £1.

(4) The fee payable in respect of a test to be conducted by a person authorised by virtue of paragraph (*e*) or (*f*) of the said Regulation 13 shall be paid to that person to be retained by him as remuneration.

(5) Where a test of competence is taken in conjunction with a test of fitness the only fee payable shall be that prescribed in respect of the test of competence.

Person taking a test to provide a vehicle

18. A person taking a test shall provide at his own expense a motor vehicle which shall be in proper condition.

Evidence of results of tests

19.—(1) A person who passes a test shall be furnished with a certificate to that effect in the form (adapted as the case may require) set out in Part I of Schedule 7 to these Regulations.

(2) A person who fails to pass a test shall be furnished with a statement to that effect in the form (adapted as the case may require) set out in Part II of the said Schedule 7.

(3) An applicant for a licence who before the licence is granted is required to satisfy the licensing authority that he has passed a test shall at the time when the licence is issued to him deliver the certificate furnished to him under paragraph (1) of this Regulation to the licensing authority for their retention.

(4) A licensing authority shall, if so required by an applicant for a licence, and on payment of a fee of 1s. 0d., issue to him a copy of the certificate furnished to him under the said paragraph (1).

(5) If a certificate furnished under the said paragraph (1) or a statement furnished under paragraph (2) of this Regulation is lost or destroyed the person to whom it was furnished may, on payment of a fee of 1s. 0d., obtain a copy from the clerk to the traffic commissioners for the traffic area in which he took his test or where the test was not conducted by an examiner appointed under paragraph (*a*) of Regulation 13 of these Regulations from the person by whom the certificate or statement was issued.

Period of ineligibility for a subsequent test

20. Subject to the provisions of section 99(3) of the Act of 1960 the period during which a person who has submitted himself for a test and failed to pass that test shall be ineligible to submit himself to another test on a vehicle of a class or description comprised in the same Group shall be one month.

PART IV—SUPPLEMENTARY

Diseases and disabilities precluding persons from claiming driving tests

21. The diseases and disabilities in the case of which the applicant for a licence shall not be entitled to claim to be subjected to a test of fitness to drive under section 100(4) of the Act of 1960, or in the case of which the holder of a licence which a licensing authority is proposing to revoke under subsection (6) of that section shall not be entitled to claim to be subjected to such a test, shall be the following:—

(*a*) epilepsy;

(*b*) mental disorder for which the applicant for the licence or, as the case may be, the holder of the licence is liable to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1959(**a**) or is receiving treatment as an in-patient in a hospital or mental nursing home within the meaning of that Act;

(*c*) mental disorder for which the applicant for the licence or, as the case may be, the holder of the licence is liable to be detained under the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960(**b**) or is receiving treatment as an in-patient in a hospital within the meaning of that Act;

(*d*) severe subnormality as a result of which the applicant for the licence or, as the case may be, the holder of the licence is subject to guardianship under the Mental Health Act 1959 or is either resident in accommodation provided by, or by arrangement with, a local health authority under section 28 of the National Health Service Act 1946(**c**) or otherwise receiving care from a local health authority under that section;

(*e*) mental deficiency such that he is incapable of living an independent life or of guarding himself against serious exploitation as a result of which the applicant for the licence or, as the case may be, the holder of the licence is subject to guardianship under the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960 or is either resident in accommodation provided by, or by arrangement with, a local health authority under section 27 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1947(**d**) or otherwise receiving care from a local health authority under that section;

(*f*) any form of mental disorder or mental defect as a result of which the estate of the said applicant or, as the case may be, of the said holder is in the hands of a receiver, curator bonis or judicial factor;

(*g*) liability to sudden attacks of disabling giddiness or fainting;

(*h*) inability to read at a distance of 25 yards in good daylight (with the aid of glasses, if worn) a series of 6 letters and figures coloured white on a black surface of the same size and arrangement as those prescribed for the registration mark of a motor car.

Persons not resident in Great Britain

22.—(1) An applicant for a licence who satisfies the licensing authority that he is not resident in Great Britain shall not be required to pass a test of competence to drive if he produces to that authority a domestic driving permit issued in a country outside the United Kingdom, a Convention driving permit or a British Forces (B.F.G.) driving licence, being a permit or a licence (as the case may be) which has expired since his arrival in Great Britain:

Provided that a domestic driving permit or a British Forces (B.F.G.) driving licence in the case of which the Minister has made any order under

(**a**) 7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 72.
(**b**) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 61.
(**c**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 81.
(**d**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 27.

Article 2(5) of the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Order 1957(a), as amended by Article 4 of the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Order 1962(b), shall be treated as not being such a domestic permit or British Forces (B.F.G.) driving licence as is mentioned in paragraph (1) of this Regulation, so long as that Order remains in force.

(2) In this Regulation "domestic driving permit", "Convention driving permit" and "British Forces (B.F.G.) driving licence" mean respectively such a permit or licence as is defined in Article 2(6) of the said Order of 1957 as amended aforesaid, being a permit or a licence (as the case may be) authorising the holder to drive a motor vehicle of the class or description for which he desires a licence.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 27th May 1963.

(L.S.)

Ernest Marples,
The Minister of Transport.

SCHEDULE I

REGULATIONS REVOKED

PART I

REGULATIONS REVOKED BY REGULATION 2(1)

Title	Year and Number
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1950	S.I. 1950/333 (1950 II, p. 737)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1950	S.I. 1950/2108 (1950 II, p. 749)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1956	S.I. 1956/1602 (1956 II, p. 2005)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1957	S.I. 1957/1244 (1957 II, p. 1994)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1957 ...	S.I. 1957/1391 (1957 II, p. 1996)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1957 ...	S.I. 1957/1579 (1957 II, p. 1998)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1958	S.I. 1958/151 (1958 II, p. 2096)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1960	S.I. 1960/1424 (1960 III, p. 2995)
The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1962	S.I. 1962/2282 (1962 III, p. 3177)

PART II

REGULATIONS REVOKED BY REGULATION 2(2)

Title	Year and Number
The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Weight) Regulations 1961...	S.I. 1961/1215 (1961 II, p. 2418)

(a) S.I. 1957/1074 (1957 II, p. 2154). (b) S.I. 1962/1344 (1962 II, p. 1483).

SCHEDULE 2 (See Regulation 4)

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960

Application for a licence to drive a motor vehicle

1. From what date do you want the licence to run ?	
2. What is your surname ?	
3. What are your full Christian names ?	
4. What is your permanent address in Great Britain ?	
5. What kind of licence do you want ?	
6. Give particulars of your last licence.	Class or group of vehicles ..... Town or county council ..... Date of expiry..... ..... No. .....
7. What is your age ?	..... yrs. ..... months
8. Has any court in the last three years ordered a conviction to be endorsed on your licence ?	Date ..... Court ..... Offence .....
9. Are you disqualified by any court for holding or obtaining a licence ?	
10. Have you ever been refused a licence or had one revoked by any council ?	
11. What council holds your certificate of competence to drive ?	

12. Do you suffer from epilepsy, or from sudden attacks of disabling giddiness or fainting ?	
13. Can you read at a distance of 25 yards in good daylight (with glasses if worn) a motor car number plate containing six letters and figures ?	
14. Are you without either hand or foot, or are you suffering from any defect in movement, control or muscular power of either arm or leg ?	
15. Are you suffering from any other disease, mental or physical, or disability which would be likely to cause the driving by you of a motor vehicle to be a source of danger to the public ?	
16. Have you studied the Highway Code ?	
17. Do you understand that (subject to statutory exceptions) it is an offence for any person to use a motor vehicle on a road unless covered by an insurance against third party risks ?	

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers given above are true.

Usual signature of applicant.....

Disabled driver's declaration

I declare that since I applied for the licence mentioned in Answer 6, the disease or physical disability from which I am suffering has not become more acute and that I am not suffering from any disease or disability not disclosed on such last application.

Date.....

Signature of applicant.....

Claim of disabled driver to be subjected to a driving test

I claim to be subjected to a test as to my fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle of the class or classes specified in this application.

Signature of applicant.....

SCHEDULE 3 (See Regulation 5)

FORM OF LICENCES

PART I

Form of a licence other than a provisional licence

No.

..... County (Borough) (Town) Council.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960

DRIVING LICENCE

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of .....

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is hereby licensed to drive.....

from ..... 19..... until ..... 19..... inclusive.

(Address of Authority) .....

Usual signature of licensee.....

PART II

Form of provisional licence

No.....

..... County (Borough) (Town) Council.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960

PROVISIONAL DRIVING LICENCE

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of .....

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is hereby licensed to drive.....

from ..... 19..... until ..... 19..... inclusive, subject to the restriction (if applicable) specified on page ..... of this licence and subject to the conditions prescribed in Regulation 7 of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1963 (see back cover of the licence).

(Address of Authority) .....

Usual signature of licensee .....

PART III

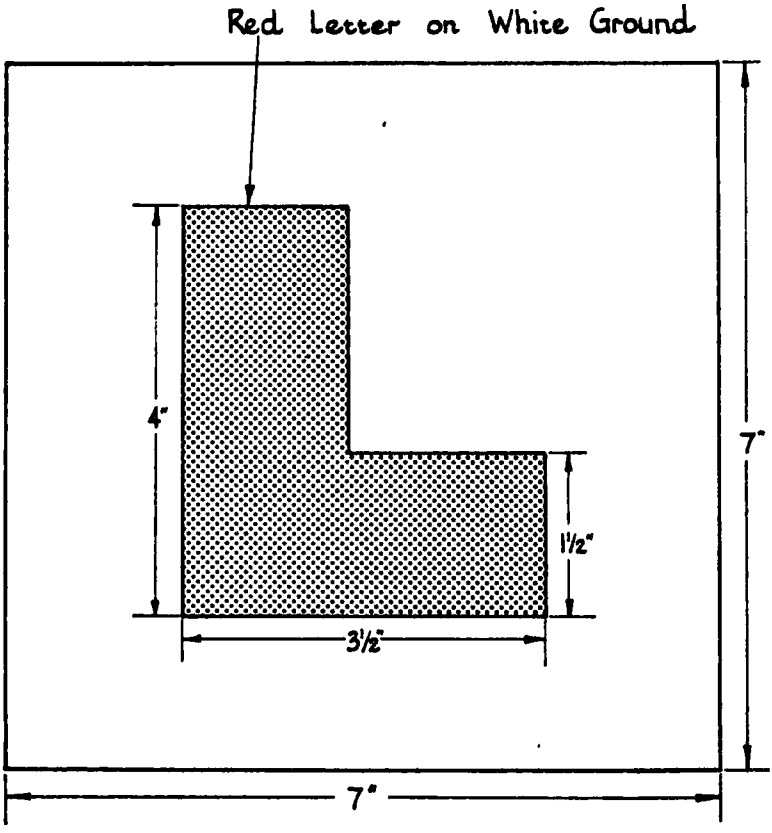
Statement of restriction on driving of motor cycles

1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 below, a provisional licence does not authorise the holder to drive a motor cycle with an engine capacity exceeding 250 c.c., not being a vehicle having three wheels, until the holder has passed the prescribed test.

2. The foregoing restriction does not apply in the case of motor cycles used for naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by persons for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown.

SCHEDULE 4 (See Regulation 7)

DIAGRAM OF DISTINGUISHING MARK TO BE DISPLAYED ON A MOTOR VEHICLE BEING DRIVEN BY HOLDER OF A PROVISIONAL LICENCE



The corners of the white ground may be rounded off.

SCHEDULE 5 (See Regulation 12)

GROUPS OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR DRIVING TEST PURPOSES

Group	Class or description of vehicle comprised in the Group	Additional requirements	Additional Groups covered
1.	Heavy locomotive, light locomotive, motor tractor, heavy motor car, motor car, but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 13.	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J.	2, 3, 11, 12 and 13.
2.	Agricultural tractor, but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 6.	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I and J.	3.
3.	Mowing machine or vehicle controlled by a pedestrian.	A, B, C, D, E, and F.	—
4.	Road roller.	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, I and J.	—
5.	Track-laying vehicle steered by its tracks, but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 6.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I, J and and L.	6.
6.	Agricultural tractor which is a track-laying vehicle steered by its tracks.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I and J.	—
7.	Motor bicycle (with or without sidecar), but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 3 or 12.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I and J.	11 and 12.
8.	Trolley vehicle.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I, J and K.	—
9.	Vehicle exempted from duty under section 6 (6) of the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962 (a).	A, B, C, D, E, and F.	—
10.	Invalid Carriage.	A, B, C, D, E, F and J.	—
11.	Motor tricycle weighing not more than 8 cwt. unladen, but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 3 or 13.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I and J, and if equipped with means for reversing G and H.	3, 12 and 13.
12.	Moped.	A, B, C, D, E, F, I and J.	—
13.	Vehicle propelled by electrical power, but excluding any vehicle comprised in Group 3 or 10.	A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J.	3.

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SCHEDULE 6 (See Regulation 12)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DRIVING TESTS

The additional requirements as to certain of which a candidate for a driving test must satisfy the person conducting the test in accordance with Regulation 12 of these Regulations and the preceding Schedule are his ability to do the following:—

A. Read at a distance of 25 yards in good daylight (with the aid of glasses if worn) a motor car number plate containing 6 letters and figures;

B. Start the engine of the vehicle;

C. Move away straight ahead or at an angle;

D. Overtake, meet or cross the path of other vehicles and take an appropriate course;

E. Turn right-hand and left-hand corners correctly;

F. Stop the vehicle in an emergency and normally, and in the latter case bring it to rest at an appropriate part of the road;

G. Drive the vehicle backwards and whilst so doing enter a limited opening either to the right or to the left;

H. Cause the vehicle to face in the opposite direction by the use of forward and reverse gears;

I. Give, by hand and by mechanical means (if fitted to the vehicle) or, in the case of a disabled driver for whom it is impracticable or undesirable to give signals by hand, by mechanical means, in a clear and unmistakable manner appropriate signals at appropriate times to indicate his intended actions;

J. Act correctly and promptly on all signals given by traffic signs and traffic controllers and take appropriate action on signs given by other road users;

K. Turn right-hand and left-hand corners without de-wiring;

L. Drive the vehicle backwards and cause it to face in the opposite direction by means of its tracks.

SCHEDULE 7 (See Regulation 19)

FORM OF CERTIFICATE AND STATEMENT OF DRIVING TEST RESULT

PART I

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960

Form of certificate of passing of a test of competence or of fitness to drive

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has been examined and has passed the test of competence/test of fitness to drive .....prescribed for the purposes of section 99/section 100 of the Road Traffic Act 1960.

PART II

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960

Form of statement of failure to pass test of competence or of fitness to drive

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has this day been examined and has failed to pass the test of competence/test of fitness to drive prescribed for the purposes of section 99/section 100 of the Road Traffic Act 1960.

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 1950 and the amending Regulations specified in Part I of Schedule 1 to these Regulations. The following are the principal changes :—

(1) the prescribed licence forms are modified to provide that :—

(*a*) in the case of provisional licences they shall include a statement of the restriction on the driving of motor cycles imposed by section 2 of the Road Traffic (Driving of Motor Cycles) Act 1960,

(*b*) in the case of all licences issued to persons under 21 they shall be limited to take account of the effect of any relevant restrictions on the driving of certain classes and descriptions of motor vehicle by persons under certain specified ages (Regulation 5 and Schedule 3) ;

(2) the conditions attached to provisional licences are restated with a view to setting them out more clearly (Regulation 7), and those conditions are amended to provide that a provisional licence holder—

(*a*) shall not, except in the case of an agricultural tractor or articulated vehicle, drive a vehicle while it is drawing a trailer (Regulation 7(1)(*c*) and (3)),

(*b*) riding a motor cycle which has a side-car attached may carry as a passenger a person who is not qualified to ride the motor cycle (Regulation 7(1)(*d*)), and

(*c*) may drive motor bicycles (with or without a side-car attached) and certain road rollers without being accompanied by a qualified driver (Regulation 7(2)(*d*) and (*e*)) ;

(3) the test of a person's fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle, being a test conducted under section 100 of the Road Traffic Act 1960, is prescribed separately from the test of competence to drive conducted under section 99 of that Act (Regulation 12(3)), but provision is made to allow the two tests to be taken in conjunction (Regulation 12(5)) ;

(4) the groups into which vehicles are divided for the purposes of driving tests are varied to provide for a separate test for certain motor tricycles, for mopeds and for certain vehicles propelled by electrical power (Regulation 12(1) and Schedule 5), and provision is made for treating as competent or fit to drive vehicles for which separate tests are prescribed persons who pass, or who, before the coming into operation of these Regulations, have passed, driving tests prescribed in relation to certain groups of vehicles (Regulation 12(4) and (8) and Schedule 5) ;

(5) Regulation 14 of the 1950 Regulations (which relates to the fees payable for driving tests) is replaced by two new regulations, the first of which (Regulation 16) makes provision as to appointments for tests conducted by Ministry of Transport examiners. In particular, the Regulation provides that the fees payable for such tests shall be payable on making the application for the appointment and prescribes the length of notice for cancelling such an appointment that must be given for the purposes of section 25(2)(*b*) of the Road Traffic Act 1962 (which specifies the only circumstances in which such fees may be repaid). The second new regulation (Regulation 17) re-enacts

and adapts the provisions as respects fees for driving tests to take account of the variation of the groups into which vehicles are divided for the purposes of driving tests ; and

(6) the provisions relating to persons not resident in Great Britain are changed in that—

(*a*) a person not resident in Great Britain will no longer be able to obtain a driving licence without passing a driving test merely by making to the licensing authority a declaration that he is either the holder of a document which would authorise him to drive in a country outside the United Kingdom or that he is otherwise authorised to drive in such a country, and

(*b*) a person who is not resident in Great Britain who produces a British Forces (BFG) driving licence to a licensing authority will in general be able to obtain a driving licence normally granted to visitors without taking a test of competence (Regulation 22).

These Regulations also revoke the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Weight) Regulations 1961 which varied, in relation to motor cycles having three wheels, the maximum weight specified in the definition of motor cycle contained in section 253(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1960 for the purposes of the grant of provisional licences under section 102 of the 1960 Act as amended by section 2 of the Road Traffic (Driving of Motor Cycles) Act 1960, and the original maximum weight of 8 cwt. is restored (Regulation 2(2)).