STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 1128

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Entitlement to Drive) Regulations 1981

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The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 84(4A) and 107 of the Road Traffic Act 1972(**a**), and now vested in him(**b**), and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Entitlement to Drive) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 4th August 1981.

Entitlement to drive

2. Subsection (4) of section 84 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 (under which a person may drive a vehicle without a licence if he has previously held a licence to drive vehicles of that class and has applied for and is entitled to obtain such a licence) shall also apply (where the requirements of that subsection are otherwise met) in the case of a person who has not previously held a licence to drive vehicles of the relevant class.

Norman Fowler,
Secretary of State for Transport.

1st August 1981.

(**a**) 1972 c. 20; section 84(4A) was inserted by section 29 of the Transport Act 1981 (c. 56).
(**b**) S.I. 1979/571 and 1981/238.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

Section 84(4) of the Road Traffic Act 1972 authorises, in certain circumstances, a person who has held a licence to drive a class of motor vehicles, to drive a motor vehicle of that class on a road, notwithstanding the expiry of the licence, where an application for the grant of such a licence has been received by the Secretary of State or the licence has been revoked or surrendered in pursuance of section 89 (revocation or surrender of licence for correction of particulars) of the Act and subject to compliance, where appropriate, with the conditions applicable to holders of provisional driving licences.

These Regulations made in pursuance of section 84(4A) of the Act of 1972, as inserted by section 29 of the Transport Act 1981, apply section 84(4) to the case of a person who satisfies the other requirements of that provision but has not previously held a licence to drive vehicles of the relevant class.

Under the said section 84(4A) the Regulations, unless previously revoked, expire at the end of a period of one year beginning with the day on which they came into operation.

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