1983 No. 295

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

Motor Vehicles (Metrication) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983

Made . . . . . *27th September 1983*

Coming into operation . . . *14th November 1983*

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 4(2), 8(4), 28(1), 29(3), 66(1), 213(1) and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Metrication) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 14th November 1983.

Substitution of metric measurements for imperial measurements

2. The provisions of the instruments specified in column (1) of the Schedule shall be amended by substituting for the measurements set out opposite thereto in column (2) the measurements set out in the corresponding entry in column (3).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 27th September 1983.

(L.S.) *J. M. Irvine*

Assistant Secretary

(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)

SCHEDULE (See regulation 2)

(1) *Provisions to be amended*	(2) *Present measurement*	(3) *Measurement to be substituted*
Motor Vehicles (Use and Construction) (Track Laying Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956(a)		
regulation 2(1), Definition of "land implement conveyor"	ten hundredweight	510 kilograms
regulation 2(1), Definition of "land tractor"	seven-and-one-quarter tons	7,370 kilograms
regulation 3A(1)(*c*)	three tons	3,050 kilograms
regulation 5	2½ tons	2,550 kilograms
regulation 8	36 square inches	225 square centimetres
regulation 8, lines 5 and 9	ton	1,000 kilograms
regulation 9	three tons	3,050 kilograms
regulation 11(*d*)	30 cwt.	1,525 kilograms
regulation 12	8 cwt.	410 kilograms
regulation 21	15½ tons	15,750 kilograms
regulation 21	17½ tons	17,790 kilograms
regulation 21, Proviso, paragraph (i)	1½ tons	1,525 kilograms
regulation 27(1)	one ton	1,020 kilograms
regulation 27(2)(*b*)	4 tons	4,070 kilograms
regulation 27(2)(*f*)	30 cwt.	1,525 kilograms
regulation 31(1)	2 cwt.	102 kilograms
regulation 38	3 tons	3,050 kilograms
regulation 39	40 tons	40,650 kilograms
regulation 40	24 tons	24,400 kilograms
regulation 41	4 tons	4,070 kilograms
regulation 41	8 tons	8,130 kilograms
regulation 41	7½ tons	7,630 kilograms
regulation 41	22 tons	22,360 kilograms
regulation 42	13 tons	13,210 kilograms
regulation 43	2 feet	610 millimetres
regulation 43	10 tons	10,170 kilograms
regulation 68(3)(*g*)	30 cwt.	1,525 kilograms
regulation 68(3)(*h*)	1 ton	1,020 kilograms
regulation 68(3)(*h*)	45 cwt.	2,290 kilograms

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1956 No. 149 as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960 No. 120

(1) *Provisions to be amended*	(2) *Present measurement*	(3) *Measurement to be substituted*
regulation 68(3)(*h*)	2 tons	2,040 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 1	30 cwts.	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 1	three tons	3,050 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 4	2½ tons	2,550 kilograms
Public Service Vehicles (Construction) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960(a)		
regulation 5(3)	140 lbs.	63.5 kilograms
Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) General Order (Northern Ireland) 1968(b)		
regulation 9(*b*)	8 hundredweight	410 kilograms
regulation 10(*b*)(i)	1 ton	1,020 kilograms
regulation 10(*b*)(ii)	16 hundredweight	815 kilograms
regulation 11(*b*)	26 tons	26,420 kilograms
regulation 16(*g*)	15 tons	15,250 kilograms
regulation 16(*g*)	25 tons	25,410 kilograms
regulation 19(*b*)(ii)	24 tons	24,390 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(i)	150 tons	152,400 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(ii)	11½ tons	11,430 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(iii), lines 5 and 7	2 feet	610 millimetres
regulation 20(*o*)(iii)	45 tons	45,720 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(iii), lines 7 and 10	7 feet	2.13 metres
regulation 20(*o*)(iii)	9 tons	30,000 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(iii), lines 8 and 10	foot	metre
regulation 20(*o*)(iii)	3 tons	10,000 kilograms
regulation 20(*o*)(iv)	inch	25 millimetres
regulation 20(*o*)(iv)	15 hundredweight	765 kilograms
regulation 21(*f*)(ii)	11 tons	11,180 kilograms
regulation 21(*k*)	inch	25 millimetres
regulation 21(*k*)	15 cwt.	765 kilograms
regulation 21(*o*)	150 tons	152,400 kilograms
regulation 27(1)(*f*)	75 tons	76,200 kilograms
regulation 28(1)(*a*)	75 tons	76,200 kilograms

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960 No. 91 to which there are amendments not relevant for the purpose
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1968 No. 277

(1) *Provisions to be amended*	(2) *Present measurement*	(3) *Measurement to be substituted*
Motor Vehicles (Maximum Speed) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(a)		
Schedule, paragraph 1(1)	3 tons	3,050 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 1(2)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 1(3)	3 tons	3,050 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 1(4)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(1)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(2)(*a*)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(2)(*b*)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(2)(*d*)	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(2)(*d*)(i)	5 hundredweight	254 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(2)(*d*)(ii)	15 hundredweight	760 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 2(4)	1 ton	1,020 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*c*)	4½ tons	4,580 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*c*)	9 tons	9,150 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*c*)(i)	14 tons	14,230 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*c*)(ii)	20 tons	20,330 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*c*)(iii)	24 tons	24,390 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*d*)	11 tons	11,180 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*e*)	22 tons	22,360 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 15(*e*)	32 tons	32,520 kilograms
Schedule, paragraph 16	2 hundredweight	102 kilograms
Motor Vehicles (Speed Limit on Special Roads) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(b)		
Schedule, paragraph 2	30 hundredweight	1,525 kilograms
Invalid Carriages (Roads) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(c)		
regulation 3	250 lbs.	115 kilograms
Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(d)		
regulation 4(1)(*c*)	2½ tons	2,550 kilograms
regulation 4(1)(*e*)(ii)	11½ tons	11,690 kilograms
regulation 8(2)(*c*)	16 hundredweight	815 kilograms
regulation 8(2)(*d*)	3 tons	3,050 kilograms

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 222 as amended by S.Rs. 1978 No. 268 and 1981 No. 135
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 223
(c) S.R. 1975 No. 297
(d) S.R. 1981 No. 239

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations metricate certain imperial units of measurement in the following Regulations—

Motor Vehicles (Use and Construction) (Track Laying Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956,

Public Service Vehicles (Construction) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960,

Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) General Order (Northern Ireland), 1968,

Motor Vehicles (Maximum Speed) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973,

Motor Vehicles (Speed Limit on Special Roads) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973,

Invalid Carriages (Roads) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975,

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981.

The metrication fulfils, as regards those measurements, obligations arising from Council Directive 80/181/EEC of 20th December 1979 (O.J. L39, page 40) on the approximation of laws of Member States relating to units of measurement.

The substituted measurements preserve the effect of the original provisions except to the extent necessary to obtain amounts expressed in convenient and suitable terms.