1958 No. 1281

The Motor Vehicles (Speed Limit on Special Roads) Regulations, 1958

Made - - - -	*22nd July*, 1958
Coming into Operation	*5th August*, 1958

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation in exercise of his powers under subsection (4) of section 10 and section 30 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930(a) as extended by subsection (6) of section 12 of the Special Roads Act, 1949(b), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as "The Motor Vehicles (Speed Limit on Special Roads) Regulations, 1958".

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the fifth day following the day they are approved by Parliament and shall expire on the first day of August, 1959, unless previously revoked.

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

2. The provisions of the First Schedule to the Road Traffic Act, 1930, as varied by the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1956(d), shall, in relation to vehicles which are driven on a special road after the date declared in accordance with subsection (8) of section 12 of the Special Roads Act, 1949, to be the date on which that road is open for use as a special road, be varied so as to have effect as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation this twenty-second day of July, 1958.

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Harold Watkinson,
The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation.

SCHEDULE

Limit of Speed

Class or Description of Vehicle	*Maximum speed, miles per hour*
1. Motor vehicles drawing a trailer (not being articulated vehicles) if the trailer has less than four wheels or is a close-coupled four-wheeled trailer	40

2. In this Schedule "articulated vehicle" means a vehicle with a trailer so attached to the drawing vehicle that part of the trailer is superimposed upon the drawing vehicle, and when the trailer is uniformly loaded not less than twenty per cent. of the weight of its load is borne by the drawing vehicle.

3. In this Schedule "close-coupled", in relation to a trailer, means that the wheels on the same side of the trailer are so fitted that at all times while it is in motion they remain parallel to the longitudinal axis of the trailer, and that the distance between the centres of their respective areas of contact with the road surface does not exceed thirty-three inches.

(a) 20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. 43. (b) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 32. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1957/340 (1957 II, p. 2099).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The First Schedule to the Road Traffic Act, 1930, as varied by the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1956, specifies speed limits for specified classes and descriptions of vehicles which apply on roads generally. The present Regulations (which will cease to have effect on the 1st August, 1959) vary the provisions of that Schedule by providing as respects vehicles which are driven on special roads that there shall be a speed limit in the case only of vehicles which are drawing certain trailers and are not articulated vehicles and that that limit shall be 40 m.p.h.

1958 No. 305

The Pedestrian Crossings (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations, 1958

Made - - - -	21*st February*, 1958
Laid before Parliament	28*th February*, 1958
Coming into Operation	15*th March*, 1958

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation in exercise of his powers under section 18 of the Road Traffic Act, 1934(**a**), as amended by section 46 of the Road Traffic Act, 1956(**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 fifteenth day of March, 1958, and may be cited as the Pedestrian Crossings (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations, 1958.

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

2. The Pedestrian Crossings Regulations, 1954(**d**), shall have effect as though—

(*a*) Regulation 9 were omitted;

(*b*) in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 8 of the First Schedule for the proviso there were substituted the following proviso—

"Provided that—

(*a*) in relation to a pattern of studs on a road on which a speed limit of thirty miles per hour or less on the driving of motor vehicles is not in force by virtue of any enactment the requirements shown in the relevant diagram may until the fifteenth day of June, 1958, and on and after that date shall, be varied by the substitution for the words "not less than 42 feet nor more than 48 feet" where those words occur in that diagram of the words "not less than 70 feet nor more than 80 feet", and

(a) 24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. 50.
(b) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 67.
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1954/370 (1954 II, p. 1948).