STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 1377

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1961

Made - - - - 29*th June*, 1961
Coming into Operation 26*th July*, 1961

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of his powers under subsection (2) of section 24 of the Road Traffic Act, 1960(a), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of subsection (2) of section 260 of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the fifth day following the day they are approved by Parliament, and may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1961.

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

2. The provisions of the First Schedule to the Road Traffic Act, 1960, shall be varied as follows :—

For sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 1 there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph :—

"(1) vehicles having an unladen weight exceeding three tons, or adapted to carry more than seven passengers exclusive of the driver ... ... 40".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this twenty-ninth day of June, 1961.

(L.S.)

Ernest Marples,
The Minister of Transport.

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, 1960, prescribes speed limits, subject to conditions, for specified classes or descriptions of vehicles. These Regulations vary the provisions of the said First Schedule so as to increase the speed limit of passenger vehicles having an unladen weight exceeding three tons or adapted to carry more than seven passengers (exclusive of the driver) from 30 to 40 m.p.h.

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.