STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 8

RETAINED EU LAW REFORM

TRANSPORT

The Railways and Freight Transport etc. (Revocation) Regulations 2024

Sift requirements satisfied	*28th November 2023*
Made - - - -	*8th January 2024*
Laid before Parliament	*11th January 2024*
Coming into force - -	*6th February 2024*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 ("the 2023 Act")(**a**).

The Secretary of State is a relevant national authority for the purposes of section 14(1) of the 2023 Act(**b**).

The requirements of paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 5 to the 2023 Act (relating to the appropriate Parliamentary procedure for these Regulations) have been satisfied.

Citation, commencement, and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Railways and Freight Transport etc. (Revocation) Regulations 2024.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 6th February 2024.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales and Scotland.

Revocation of certain instruments

2. The instruments listed in the Schedule are revoked in their entirety.

(**a**) 2023 c.28.
(**b**) The term "relevant national authority" is defined in section 21(1) of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Huw Merriman
Minister of State
Department for Transport

8th January 2024

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Instruments to be revoked

Instrument	Citation
Council Decision of 3 May 1989 accepting on behalf of the Community the recommendation of 5 June 1962 of the Customs Cooperation Council concerning the customs treatment of registered baggage carried by rail as amended on 21 June 1988 (89/339/EEC)	EUDN 1989/339(**a**)
Council Decision of 30 November 2009 on the signing by the European Community of the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock, adopted in Luxembourg on 23 February 2007 (2009/940/EC)	EUDN 2009/940(**b**)
Council Decision of 16 June 2011 on the signing and conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail on the Accession of the European Union to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) of 9 May 1980, as amended by the Vilnius Protocol of 3 June 1999 (Text with EEA relevance) (2013/103/EU)	EUDN 2013/103(**c**)
Council Decision of 6 May 2014 establishing the position to be adopted by the Union at the 53rd session of the OTIF Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods as regards certain amendments to Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) applicable from 1 January 2015 (2014/327/EU)	EUDN 2014/327(**d**)
Council Decision of 24 June 2014 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union at the 25th session of the OTIF Revision Committee as regards certain amendments to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) and to the Appendices thereto (2014/699/EU)	EUDN 2014/699(**e**)
Council Decision of 4 December 2014 on the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock, adopted in Luxembourg on 23 February 2007 (2014/888/EU)	EUDN 2014/888(**f**)
Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/429 of 13 March 2015 setting out the modalities to be followed for the application of the charging for the cost of noise effects	EUR 2015/429(**g**)

(**a**) EUDN 1989/339.
(**b**) EUDN 2009/940.
(**c**) EUDN 2013/103.
(**d**) EUDN 2014/327.
(**e**) EUDN 2014/699.
(**f**) EUDN 2014/888.
(**g**) EUR 2015/429.

Instrument	Citation
Council Decision (EU) 2015/1734 of 18 September 2015 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union at the 12th General Assembly of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards certain amendments to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) and to its Appendices	EUDN 2015/1734(**a**)
Council Decision (EU) 2016/833 of 17 May 2016 establishing the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, at the 54th session of the Committee of Experts for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods set up by the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards certain amendments to Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail	EUDN 2016/833(**b**)
Council Decision (EU) 2018/319 of 27 February 2018 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union at the 26th session of the Revision Committee of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail as regards certain amendments to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail and to the Appendices thereto	EUDN 2018/319(**c**)
Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/491 of 21 March 2018 on the compliance of the joint proposal submitted by the Member States concerned for the extension of the North Sea Mediterranean rail freight corridor with Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council	EUDN 2018/491(**d**)
Council Decision (EU) 2018/768 of 22 May 2018 establishing the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, at the 55th session of the Committee of Experts for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail as regards certain amendments to Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail	EUDN 2018/768(**e**)
Council Decision (EU) 2018/1296 of 18 September 2018 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union at the 13th General Assembly of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards certain amendments to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) and to the Appendices thereto	EUDN 2018/1296(**f**)
Council Decision (EU) 2018/1609 of 28 September 2018 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport and within the UNECE Inland Transport Committee concerning the adoption of the Convention on the facilitation of border crossing procedures for passengers, luggage and load-luggage carried in international traffic by rail	EUDN 2018/1609(**g**)

(**a**) EUDN 2015/1734.
(**b**) EUDN 2016/833.
(**c**) EUDN 2018/319.
(**d**) EUDN 2018/491.
(**e**) EUDN 2018/768.
(**f**) EUDN 2018/1296.
(**g**) EUDN 2018/1609.

Instrument	Citation
Council Decision (EU) 2018/1875 of 26 November 2018 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Committee of Technical Experts of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards certain amendments to the Uniform Technical Prescriptions — General Provisions — Subsystems (UTP GEN-B) and the Uniform Technical Prescriptions — Telematics applications for freight services (UTP TAF)	EUDN 2018/1875(**a**)
Regulation (EU) 2019/503 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 March 2019 on certain aspects of railway safety and connectivity with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union	EUR 2019/503(**b**)
Council Decision (EU) 2019/1763 of 4 October 2019 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Committee of Technical Experts of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards certain modifications to the National Vehicle Registers (NVR) specification and the Uniform Technical Prescriptions — Telematics applications for freight services (UTP TAF)	EUDN 2019/1763(**c**)
Council Decision (EU) 2020/649 of 7 May 2020 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union during the 56th session of the Committee of Experts for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail as regards certain amendments to Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail	EUDN 2020/649(**d**)
Regulation (EU) 2020/698 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 May 2020 laying down specific and temporary measures in view of the COVID-19 outbreak concerning the renewal or extension of certain certificates, licences and authorisations and the postponement of certain periodic checks and periodic training in certain areas of transport legislation	EUR 2020/698(**e**)
Council Decision (EU) 2020/791 of 10 June 2020 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the 13th session of the Committee of Technical Experts of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail regarding the adoption of amendments to the Uniform Technical Prescriptions concerning freight wagons, vehicle marking and rolling stock noise, and regarding the adoption of a full revision of the rules for the certification and auditing of entities in charge of maintenance and of the specifications concerning national vehicle registers	EUDN 2020/791(**f**)
Regulation (EU) 2020/1056 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2020 on electronic freight transport information	EUR 2020/1056(**g**)

(**a**) EUDN 2018/1875.
(**b**) EUR 2019/503.
(**c**) EUDN 2019/1763.
(**d**) EUDN 2020/649.
(**e**) EUR 2020/698.
(**f**) EUDN 2020/791.
(**g**) EUR 2020/1056.

Instrument	Citation
Commission Decision (EU) 2020/1237 of 25 August 2020 authorising the United Kingdom to apply an extension of certain periods specified in Articles 3 and 11 of Regulation (EU) 2020/698 of the European Parliament and of the Council	EUDN 2020/1237(**a**)
Regulation (EU) 2020/2222 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 December 2020 on certain aspects of railway safety and connectivity with regard to the cross-border infrastructure linking the Union and the United Kingdom through the Channel Fixed Link	EUR 2020/2222(**b**)
Decision (EU) 2020/2228 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 December 2020 on a European Year of Rail (2021)	EUDN 2020/2228(**c**)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke, in their entirety, 24 instruments which are secondary assimilated law for Great Britain, which primarily make provision about the operation of railways and freight transport arrangements. All of the instruments being revoked are secondary assimilated law within the meaning of section 21(1) of that Act (see also section 14(10) of that Act).

The instruments being revoked have become obsolete for various reasons, and they no longer produce any legal effect in Great Britain. The instruments listed in the Schedule consist of:

(a) instruments which make provision for expired contingency arrangements: (EUR 2019/503, EUR 2020/2222, EUR 2020/698, and EUDN 2020/1237). These were time-limited responses to the UK's withdrawal from the EU or the COVID-19 pandemic;

(b) instruments which make provision for cross-border and freight arrangements between the UK and EU which are no longer operable: (EUR 2015/429, EUDN 2018/491, EUR 2020/1056, and EUDN 2020/2228). These pertain to EU systems or platforms that the UK no longer has access to, or only apply to EU member states;

(c) instruments which make provision for past EU negotiating positions or for the accession to or adoption of international protocols on behalf of the EU and European Community.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen. An Explanatory Memorandum has been published alongside this instrument at www.legislation.gov.uk.

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(**a**) EUDN 2020/1237.
(**b**) EUR 2020/2222.
(**c**) EUDN 2020/2228.

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