STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 1934

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1967

Made - - - -	21*st December* 1967
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The Minister of Transport in exercise of her powers under section 5 of the Road Transport Lighting Act 1957(a), section 16(3) of the Road Traffic Act 1962(b) and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 13 of the said Act of 1957, as amended by section 264 of, and Schedule 17 to, the Road Traffic Act 1960(c), hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st April 1968 and may be cited as the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1967.

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

2. The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1964(e), as amended (f), shall have effect as though—

(a) in Regulation 3(1) after the definition of "road clearance vehicle", there were inserted the following definition:—
" "sealed beam lamp" means a lamp unit comprising a reflector system, a lens system and one or more electrical filaments, which has been sealed in the course of manufacture and which cannot be dismantled without rendering the unit unusable as a lamp;";

(b) in Regulation 8(1), in sub-paragraph (a) thereof, after the word "sweeper" there were inserted the words "or engineering plant or a loading shovel,";

(c) in Regulation 9(1), after the words "electric bulb" where they first occur, there were inserted the words "or a sealed beam lamp";

(d) for Regulation 11 there were substituted the following Regulation:—
"*Markings of electric bulbs in front lamps and of front sealed beam lamps*
11. Every electric bulb used in a lamp, and every sealed beam lamp, being in either case a lamp showing a light to the front fitted to any mechanically propelled vehicle, shall be indelibly marked with the rated wattage thereof in a readily legible manner.";

(a) 5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 51.
(b) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 59.
(c) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.
(d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(e) S.I. 1964/205 (1964 I, p. 345).
(f) There is no relevant amending Instrument.

(e) in Regulation 12, after the word "lamp" there were inserted the words "and no sealed beam lamp having a rated wattage exceeding 7 watts, being in either case a lamp";

(f) in Regulation 14(5), for the figure and word "6 watts", there were substituted the figure and word "5 watts"; and

(g) in Regulation 17, in paragraph (c) thereof, after the word "fitted", there were inserted the words "or the rated wattage of the sealed beam lamp with which it is fitted,".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 21st December 1967.

T. Padmore,
Secretary to the
Ministry of Transport.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1964 by—

(a) exempting vehicles which are "engineering plant" and "loading shovels" from the requirement that headlamps shall be not more than 3 feet 6 inches above the ground;

(b) extending the conditions governing the character, marking and extinguishment on stationary vehicles of front lamps to sealed beam lamps;

(c) extending the conditions governing reversing lights to sealed beam lamps; and

(d) reducing the minimum rated wattage of bulbs to be used in rear lamps on vehicles registered before the 1st April 1959 from 6 watts to 5 watts to accord with European practice.