STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations 1981

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The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 40(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972**(a)** as amended by section 9 of the Road Traffic Act 1974**(b)** and sections 40(3), 73(1), (2) and (3) and 78(5) of the said Act of 1972, and now vested in him **(c)**, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 199(2) of the said Act of 1972, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 20th August 1981 and may be cited as the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations 1981.

2. The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1971**(d)** shall be further amended so as to have effect in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

3. In Part I of Schedule 6 (Vehicles not required to be fitted with stop lamps)—

(*a*) in paragraph 2, after the words "Motor cycles", insert the words "manufactured before 1st October 1983 and first used before 1st April 1984", and

(*b*) after paragraph 2 insert the following new paragraph:—

"2A. Mopeds (as defined in Regulation 46 of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1978**(e)**, first used on or after 1st August 1977 and manufactured before 1st October 1983 and first used before 1st April 1984, not being, because of the absence of pedals, motor cycles to which paragraph 2 above refers.".

Norman Fowler,
Secretary of State for Transport.

20th July 1981.

(a) 1972 c. 20. **(b)** 1974 c. 50.
(c) S.I. 1979/571 and 1981/238.
(d) S.I. 1971/694; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(e) S.I. 1978/1017; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1981/915.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1971. The effect of this amendment is—

(1) to require stop lamps to be fitted to all motorcycles with an engine cylinder capacity not exceeding 50 cubic centimetres (being cycles equipped with pedals by means whereof they are capable of being propelled) unless they are manufactured before 1st October 1983 and first used before 1st April 1984 (with certain exemptions), and

(2) to exempt mopeds as defined in Regulation 46 of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1978 and required by that Regulation to be equipped with a plate (not being, because of the absence of pedals, motorcycles mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) above) from the requirement to fit stop lamps only if they are manufactured before 1st October 1983 and first used on or after 1st August 1977 and before 1st April 1984.

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