STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 1844

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1967

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The Minister of Transport, in exercise of her powers under section 5(2) of the Road Transport Lighting Act 1957(a) as extended by section 2 of the Road Transport Lighting Act 1967(b) and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf, 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), and in exercise of her powers under sections 16(1) and 23 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962(d) and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on 20th December 1967 and may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1967.

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

2. The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1964(f), as amended(g), shall have effect as though, in Part II of Schedule 2 thereto, for paragraphs 6 and 7, there were substituted the following paragraphs:—

"*Colour and construction.*

6. Unless a registration mark is so designed and constructed that it may be illuminated from behind by means of the translucency of the letters and figures, or is exhibited on a plate which is constructed of reflex reflecting material in accordance with paragraph 7A of this Part of this Schedule, it shall be formed of white, silver or light grey letters and figures upon a black surface and every letter or figure shall be indelibly inscribed upon or so attached to that surface that it cannot readily be detached therefrom and if the letters and figures are exhibited on a flat plate the plate may be constructed of cast or pressed metal having raised letters and figures.

7. If a registration mark is so designed and constructed to be illuminated from behind as aforesaid it shall be formed of white letters and figures upon a black surface and all the letters and figures shall, when the registration mark is so

(a) 5 & 6 Eliz 2. c. 51.
(b) 1967 c. 55.
(c) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2 c. 16.
(d) 10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 13.
(e) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(f) S. I. 1964/1178 (1964 II, p. 2722).
(g) There is no relevant amending instrument.

illuminated during the hours of darkness, appear white against a black background.

7A. A registration mark may be exhibited on a plate which is constructed of reflex reflecting material and if so exhibited:—

(1) the registration mark if displayed on the front of the vehicle shall be formed of black letters and figures against a white background constructed of reflex reflecting material, but no reflecting material shall be applied to any part of the black letters or figures;

(2) the registration mark if displayed on the back of the vehicle or on any trailer attached thereto shall be formed of black letters and figures against a yellow background constructed of reflex reflecting material, but no reflecting material shall be applied to any part of the black letters or figures; and

(3) every plate on which the registration mark is exhibited shall be legibly and permanently marked with the specification number of the British Standard for reflex reflecting number plates, namely B.S. AU 145: 1967."

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 11th December 1967.

J. D. Jones,

(L.S.) Deputy Secretary of the Ministry of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1964, by permitting the use of reflex-reflecting number plates as an alternative to existing types of number plate.