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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1978 No. 1049**

**Pollution Control and Local Government  
(Northern Ireland) Order 1978**

**PART II**

**WASTE ON LAND**

Motor vehicles

**Recovery of expenses connected with removed vehicles**

**32.**—(1) Where a vehicle is removed by a district council under Article 31(1), the council may recover from any person responsible any expenses reasonably incurred by it—

- (a) in respect of the removal of the vehicle; and
- (b) in respect of any period during which the vehicle is in its custody; and
- (c) where the vehicle is disposed of under Article 31, in respect of its disposal.

(2) Any sum recoverable by virtue of this Article shall be a civil debt recoverable summarily; and without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this paragraph the court by which a person is convicted of an offence under Article 29(1) in respect of a motor vehicle, may on the application of the district council by whom the vehicle was removed as aforesaid and in addition to any other order made by the court in relation to that person order him to pay to the council any sum which, in the opinion of the court, the council are entitled to recover from him under this Article in respect of the vehicle.

(3) In this Article “person responsible”, in relation to a vehicle, means—

- (a) the owner of the vehicle at the time when it was put in the place from which it was removed under Article 30(1), unless he shows that he was not concerned in and did not know of its being put there;
- (b) any person by whom it was put in the place aforesaid;
- (c) any person convicted of an offence under Article 29(1) in consequence of the putting of the vehicle in the place aforesaid.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Pollution Control and Local Government (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, Section 32.