

1976 No. 154

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES**Motor Vehicle Testing (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976***Made 17th May 1976**Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1**To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

The Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred by section 29B(4) of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and now vested in it(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby orders and directs as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Testing (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on the dates specified in column 1 of the Schedule in respect of the motor vehicles referred to in column 2 thereof.

2. Sub-sections (2) and (6)(c) of section 29B of the Act shall have effect with the substitution, for ten years, of eight years.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 17th May 1976.

(L.S.)

B. D. Palmer

Assistant Secretary

(a) 1970 c. 2 (N.I.) as amended by S.I. 1973/1229 (N.I. 17) Article 4
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Article 5(b) (II, p. 2992)

SCHEDULE

<i>Date of coming into operation</i>	<i>Motor vehicles</i>
31 July 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of July.
31 August 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of August.
30 September 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of September.
31 October 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of October.
30 November 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of November.
31 December 1976	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of December.
31 January 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of January.
28 February 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of February.
31 March 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of March.
30 April 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of April.
31 May 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of May.
30 June 1977	as respects a motor vehicle first registered in the month of June.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Section 29B(1) of the Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 as amended by Article 4 of the Road Traffic (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1973 makes it an offence to use on a road at any time a motor vehicle to which that section applies and which was first registered under the Vehicles (Excise) Act (Northern Ireland) 1972, the Vehicles (Excise) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 or the Roads Act 1920 not less than 10 years previously, unless a vehicle test certificate has been issued in respect of that vehicle within the preceding twelve months.

This Order extends the application of section 29B to motor vehicles first registered not less than eight years ago. It comes into operation in respect of motor vehicles first registered at different times so that a motor vehicle to which this Order applies may not be used on a road after the end of the month which is the anniversary of its first registration unless a test certificate has been issued within the preceding twelve months. A motor vehicle manufactured not less than eight years ago but not registered in Northern Ireland until later may not be used on a road after the end of the month which is the anniversary of its first registration unless a test certificate has been issued within the preceding twelve months.