

## 1989 No. 50

## ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989**

*Made* . . . . . 27th February 1989

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 10th April 1989

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 8(1) and (3), 12(1), 18 and 218(1) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(b) as regards regulation 2(2) and (3), makes the following Regulations:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 and shall come into operation on 10th April 1989.

*Regulations amended*

2. The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(c) shall be amended as follows:

(1) For regulation 5(2) (grant of licences) substitute—

“(2) Subject to paragraph (3) any application for a licence shall be accompanied by—

- (i) one clear unmounted facial photograph of the applicant of recent date, approximately 40 millimetres x 35 millimetres in size endorsed on the back with the applicant’s name and address; and
- (ii) the appropriate fee as prescribed in regulation 6.”.

(2) For regulation 6 (fees for licences) substitute—

“6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and regulation 12A(3) the fee for the first licence granted to an applicant shall be £6·00.

(2) Where the first licence granted to an applicant is in exchange for a licence not being a provisional licence, granted under section 88 of the Road Traffic Act 1972(d), the fee shall be £4·00.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4) the fee for any further licence shall be the amount specified in Schedule 8.

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(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)

(b) Formerly the Department of Finance. See S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3

(c) S.R. 1981 No. 239; relevant amending Regulations are S.Rs. 1984 No. 400 and 1985 No. 258

(d) 1972 c. 20

(4) Where an applicant has been granted a provisional licence, a fee shall not be payable for a licence granted to him under Article 12(1)(d)(i) of the Order.”.

(3) For Schedule 8 substitute—

“SCHEDULE 8 (See regulation 6(3))

**Fees for Further Licences**

<i>Description of Licence</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1. A 10-year driving licence ...	£6·00
2. A driving licence to remain in force for a period specified under Article 12(4)(b) of the Order ...	£6·00
3. A driving licence to remain in force for a period determined under Article 12(4)(c) of the Order ...	£1·00
4. A 10-year provisional licence ...	£6·00
5. A provisional licence issued until the applicant's seventieth birthday or for 3 years whichever is the longer	£6·00
6. A 1-year provisional licence ...	£1·00
7. A licence where the applicant is aged 70 years or more ...	NIL
8. A licence issued under regulation 5A or Article 197(7) of the Order ...	£3·00
9. A duplicate licence ...	£6·00
10. A licence granted under regulation 12A(3) (unless no fee is payable) ...	£4·00.”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 27th February 1989.

(L.S.)

*Trevor Pearson*

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel approves regulation 2(2) and (3).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 27th February 1989.

(L.S.)

*Derek A. Hill*

Assistant Secretary

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations further amend the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981.

The principal changes are as follows:—

- (1) The requirement that a photograph accompanying a driving licence application must be black and white is removed (colour photographs will now also be accepted) (regulation 2(1)).
- (2) The fee for the first driving or provisional licence granted to an applicant on or after the 10th of April 1989 shall be £6·00 (previously £4·00) (regulation 2(2)).
- (3) Where the applicant holds a provisional licence granted under the Order and, on passing the driving test, obtains a driving licence under Article 12(1)(d)(i) of the Order, no fee shall be payable (regulation 2(2)).
- (4) Where the first licence granted to an applicant is in exchange for a Great Britain full licence the fee shall be £4·00 (unchanged) (regulation 2(2)).

(5) The fees for further licences shall be as follows:—

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| (i) A driving or provisional licence granted for a period of 10 years or, where the applicant is over sixty years of age, for a period ending on his seventieth birthday or for a period of three years, whichever is the longer | ...<br>£6·00<br>(previously<br>£4·00) |
| (ii) A driving licence restricted on medical grounds to a period of not more than three years and not less than one year as the Department may determine   | ...<br>£1·00<br>(unchanged)           |
| (iii) A provisional licence restricted on medical grounds to a period of one year  | ...<br>£1·00<br>(unchanged)           |
| (iv) A licence granted in exchange for a current licence under regulation 5A or Article 197(7) of the Order  | ...<br>£3·00<br>(previously<br>£2·00) |
| (v) A duplicate licence  | ...<br>£6·00<br>(previously<br>£2·00) |
| (vi) A driving or provisional licence where the applicant is aged seventy years or over  | ...<br>NIL<br>(unchanged)             |

- (vii) A licence, where the applicant has surrendered his current licence in accordance with regulation 12A, and the Department considers that the error contained in the surrendered licence is attributable to the licence holder ...

£4.00  
(previously  
£2.00)

(regulation 2(3)).