

1991 No. 477

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1991**

Made 24th October 1991

Coming into operation 4th December 1991

*To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 2 of the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Act 1952(a) and now vested in me(b) I hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991 and shall come into operation on 4th December 1991.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(c) shall apply to this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the 1990 Order

3.—(1) The Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990(d) is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 3 of that Order (visitors' driving permits)—

(a) in paragraph (1) after the words "a motor vehicle of any class" there shall be inserted the words "other than a large goods vehicle or a passenger-carrying vehicle";

(b) in paragraph (2)—

(i) for the words "public service vehicle or heavy goods vehicle", in each place where they occur, there shall be substituted the words "large goods vehicle or passenger-carrying vehicle"; and

(ii) for the words from "of such" to "Order" there shall be substituted the words "of a large goods vehicle driver's licence or a passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence";

(a) 1952 c. 39; section 1 has effect with section 8 of the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 1967 (c. 70)

(b) 1973 c. 36; section 40 and paragraph 4 of Schedule 5

(c) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

(d) S.R. 1990 No. 190

- (c) in paragraph (3)—
- (i) in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) for the words “public service vehicle”, in each place where they occur, there shall be substituted the words “passenger-carrying vehicle”; and
 - (ii) for the words from “such a licence” to “Order” there shall be substituted the words “a passenger-carrying vehicle driver’s licence”;
- (d) in paragraph (4) for “Article 4” substitute “Article 17”(a);
- (e) in paragraph (7)—
- (i) the definitions of “heavy goods vehicle” and “public service vehicle” are hereby revoked; and
 - (ii) the following definitions shall be added—
 - “ “large goods vehicle” has the same meaning as in Article 78 of the 1981 Order;
 - “large goods vehicle driver’s licence” has the same meaning as in Article 70 of the 1981 Order;
 - “passenger-carrying vehicle” has the same meaning as in Article 78 of the 1981 Order; and
 - “passenger-carrying vehicle driver’s licence” has the same meaning as in Article 70 of the 1981 Order.”(b)
- (3) In Article 4 of that Order (visiting forces’ driving permits)—
- (a) in paragraph (1) after the words “a motor vehicle of any class” there shall be inserted “other than a large goods vehicle or a passenger-carrying vehicle”; and
 - (b) in paragraph (3) for “Article 4” substitute “Article 17”.

P. L. Brooke

Northern Ireland Office
24th October 1991.

One of Her Majesty’s Principal
Secretaries of State

(a) See Schedule 1 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)

(b) Articles 70 and 78 are inserted by Part I of Schedule 3 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order varies the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990 by amending certain references to heavy goods vehicles and public service vehicles.

The amendments are consequential upon the amendment of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 by the Road Traffic (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991. Part II of the Order of 1991 abolishes special licences for driving heavy goods vehicles and public service vehicles, and introduces a unified system of licensing of drivers of vehicles. Schedule 3 to that Order contains special provisions relating to licences which permit the driving of vehicles of classes including large goods vehicles and passenger-carrying vehicles.

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