

1992 No. 56

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**The Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1992**

Made 19th February 1992

Coming into operation 1st April 1992

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

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)(a) and 198(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(b) (in this Order referred to as "the Order") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as The Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1992.

Additional specified offence

2. For the purposes of Article 198(2) of the Order, the following offence, namely — driving a motor vehicle in contravention of Article 129D(1) of the Order(c), is specified as an offence to which Articles 199 to 204 of the Order (offences which are punishable without prosecution) apply.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on
19th February 1992.

(L.S.)

Trevor Pearson

Assistant Secretary

(a) See definition of "Department"

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

(c) Article 129D of the Order was inserted by Article 3 of S.I. 1989/680 (N.I. 5)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

Articles 198 to 204 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (“the 1981 Order”) provide for the punishment without prosecution of certain offences. Those offences are set out in Article 198(1) of the 1981 Order and other offences are specified by—

- (a) the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1988 (S.R. 1988 No. 308);
- (b) the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1988 (S.R. 1988 No. 309);
- (c) the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. 1991 No. 342); and
- (d) the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. 1991 No. 343).

Article 2 of this Order specifies contravention of Article 129D(1) of the 1981 Order as another offence to which Articles 198 to 204 shall apply. Article 129D(1) prohibits driving on a road a motor vehicle, to which is fitted any seat belt in the rear thereof, with a child under the age of 14 years in the rear who is not wearing a seat belt in conformity with the Motor Vehicles (Wearing of Rear Seat Belts by Children) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 (S.R. 1989 No. 314).

Any liability to conviction for this offence may be discharged by payment of a fixed penalty which at the date of coming into operation of this Order is £20 by virtue of The Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. 1992 No. 55).