

## 1993 No. 108

## ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Motor Vehicles (Taxi Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993**

*Made* . . . . . 9th March 1993

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 19th April 1993

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 79A(3) and (4) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, makes the following Regulations:

*Citation and commencement*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Taxi Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 19th April 1993.

*Regulations amended*

2. The Motor Vehicles (Taxi Drivers' Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991(b) shall be amended as follows—

- (1) In regulation 3 (application for a licence), omit paragraph (2).
- (2) In regulation 10 (application for tests), omit paragraph (2).
- (3) In regulation 14(1) (disabilities)(c)—
  - (a) for sub-paragraph (a) substitute—
 

“(a) has a liability to epileptic seizures;”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b)(i) after “regulation 21” insert “(1)(b) to (e)”;
  - and
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (b)(ii) (B) for “in the case of a person who did not hold an existing licence on 1st January 1983 but” substitute “in the case of a person not falling within sub-paragraph (A)”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 9th March 1993.

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*Trevor Pearson*

Assistant Secretary

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(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); see Article 2(2) for the definition of “Department” and “prescribed”; Article 79A was inserted by Part II of Schedule 3 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)  
 (b) S.R. 1991 No. 454; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1992 No. 275  
 (c) Regulation 14 was amended by S.R. 1992 No. 275, reg. 2

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Motor Vehicles (Taxi Drivers' Licences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 ("the principal Regulations") as follows—

1. Epilepsy and an epileptic attack since attaining the age of 5 years are no longer prescribed as relevant disabilities in relation to applicants for and holders of taxi drivers' licences. Instead, a person will not be entitled to hold a taxi driver's licence if he is liable to suffer epileptic seizures (regulation 2(3)(a) and (b)).
2. Regulation 14(1)(b)(ii) (B) of the principal Regulations is amended to ensure that it (rather than regulation 14(1)(b)(ii)(C)) applies to a person who (a) held an existing licence on 1st January 1983, (b) did not hold such a licence on 21st October 1991, but (c) did hold a taxi driver's licence on 1st August 1992 (regulation 2(3)(c)).
3. The opportunity has also been taken to make two drafting amendments (regulation 2(1) and (2)).

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**1993 No. 109****Road Races (Cookstown 100) Order  
(Northern Ireland) 1993**

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**1993 No. 110****Road Races (Benbradagh Hill Climb) Order  
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