

## 1993 No. 94

## ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Motor Vehicle Testing (Amendment) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 1993**

*Made* . . . . . 5th March 1993

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 1st April 1993

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 33(2) and (6), 34(5) and 218(1) 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 Vehicle Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1993.

*Amendment of the 1989 Regulations*

2. The Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(b) are amended as follows—

(1) In regulation 3(2) (application for test)—

(a) in paragraph (a) the words “and the applicant shall furnish all relevant particulars and make any relevant declaration specified in such form” shall be deleted.

(b) in paragraph (b) for the words “two months” substitute “six weeks”.

(2) For regulation 4(4) (testing of vehicles) substitute the following—

“(4) If the Department is not satisfied that the vehicle complies with the requirements mentioned in paragraph (3) it shall serve a notification of refusal on the applicant.”

(3) In regulation 11 (exemptions from requirement to have a certificate) after sub-paragraph (p) insert the following sub-paragraph:—

“(q) a vehicle first used before 1st January 1960, which is used unladen and not drawing a laden trailer, and a trailer manufactured before 1st January 1960 and used unladen.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph any determination as to when a motor vehicle is first used shall be made as provided in regulation 2(4) of

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(a) S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1); see Article 2(2) for the definition of “Department”

(b) S.R. 1989 No. 234; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(a).”.

(4) In Schedule 2 (items included in test) after 8.1 add—

“8.2 Exhaust emissions”.

(5) For Schedule 3 substitute the following—

“SCHEDULE 3 (See regulation 7)

FORM 1

Article 33 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981

VEHICLE TEST CERTIFICATE

No. ....

It is hereby certified that the vehicle with the registration mark ..... having been tested on the .... day of ..... 19.. on that date complied with the statutory requirements relating to the construction and condition of motor vehicles, their accessories and equipment.

Date of issue ..... Signature ..... (Inspector of vehicles)

Date of expiry ..... Inspection Centre .....

Make ..... HP/CC .....

Approximate year of Manufacture ..... Recorded Mileage .....

ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT (N.I.) DRIVER AND VEHICLE TESTING AGENCY

(a) S.R. 1989 No. 299; to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

**Article 33 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981**

**NOTIFICATION OF REFUSAL OF A VEHICLE TEST  
CERTIFICATE**

Notice is hereby given that a certificate in respect of the vehicle with the registration mark ..... is refused on the following grounds: (see inspection record sheet attached)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date of test \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(Inspector of vehicles)

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Inspection centre \_\_\_\_\_

HP/CC \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. year of manufacture \_\_\_\_\_ Recorded Mileage \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT (N.I.)  
DRIVER AND VEHICLE TESTING AGENCY”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 5th  
March 1993.

(L.S.)

*Trevor Pearson*  
Assistant Secretary

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

These Regulations amend the Motor Vehicle Testing Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 as follows—

1. Regulation 3(2)(b) is amended to provide that applications for tests should be submitted at least six weeks before the date on which the certificate is required to have effect rather than two months before as was previously required (regulation 2(1)(b)).
2. Regulation 4(4) is amended to provide that the notice of refusal is issued by the Department rather than an individual Inspector (regulation 2(2)).
3. An additional exemption from the requirement to have a certificate is inserted namely vehicles first used before 1st January 1960, which are used unladen and not drawing a laden trailer, and trailers manufactured before 1st January 1960 and used unladen (regulation 2(3)).
4. Exhaust emissions are added to the list of items included in the testing of vehicles (regulation 2(4)).
5. Minor amendments are made to the form of the vehicle test certificate and the form of notification of refusal of a vehicle test certificate as set out in Schedule 3 (regulation 2(5)).
6. The opportunity has been taken to make a drafting amendment (regulation 2(1)(a)).