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**Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Part II

Licences

Provisional licences

Conditions attached to provisional licences

12.—(1) Subject to the following paragraphs, the holder of a provisional licence shall comply with the following conditions in relation to motor vehicles of a class which he is authorised to drive by virtue of the provisional licence, that is to say he shall not drive or ride such a motor vehicle—

- (a) otherwise than under the supervision of a qualified driver who is present with him in or on the vehicle;
- (b) unless a distinguishing mark in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 3 is displayed on the vehicle in such manner as to be clearly visible to other persons using the road from within a reasonable distance from the front and from the back of the vehicle; or
- (c) while it is being used to draw a trailer.

(2) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(a) shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence—

- (a) is driving a motor vehicle of a class included in sub-category B1 or B1 (invalid carriages) or in category F, G or H which is constructed to carry only one person and not adapted to carry more than one person;
- (b) is riding a moped or a motor bicycle with or without a side-car.

(3) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(b) shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence is driving a motor vehicle and a distinguishing mark in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 3 is displayed on the motor vehicle in the manner described in paragraph (1)(b).

(4) The condition specified in paragraph (1)(c) shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence is driving a vehicle of a class included in category B + E, C + E, D + E or F, in relation to motor vehicles of that class.

(5) The holder of a provisional licence authorising the driving of—

- (a) a moped; or
- (b) a motor bicycle with or without a side-car,

shall not drive such a vehicle while carrying on it another person.

(6) The holder of a passenger-carrying vehicle driver's provisional licence shall not drive a vehicle which he is authorised to drive by that licence while carrying any passenger in the vehicle other than—

- (a) the person specified in paragraph (1)(a); or
- (b) a person who holds a passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence and either is giving or receiving instruction in the driving of passenger-carrying vehicles, or has given or received or is to give or receive, such instruction.

(7) The conditions specified in paragraphs (1)(a) and (6) shall not apply when the holder of the provisional licence is undergoing a test.

(8) The conditions specified in paragraphs (1), (5) and (6) shall not apply in relation to the driving of motor vehicles of a class in respect of which the provisional licence holder has been furnished with a certificate under regulation 37(1)(a) or, as the case may be, certificates under regulations 36(2)(a) and 37(2) stating that he has passed a test for the grant of a licence authorising him to drive vehicles of that class.

(9) In the case of an LGV trainee driver's licence, this regulation shall apply as modified by regulation 43.