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

Part III

Tests of Competence to Drive

Entitlements upon passing test

Entitlement upon passing a test other than a test following disqualification until tested under Article 152 or 196 of the Order: category A

33.—(1) This regulation applies where—

- (a) a person passes a test (or a Great Britain test of competence corresponding to such a test) for a licence authorising the driving of motor vehicles of a class included in sub-category A1; and
- (b) the practical test is passed on or after 1st January 1997.

(2) Where this regulation applies the Department shall grant to the person who passed the test—

- (a) in a case where he has passed the practical test (or the Great Britain test of competence corresponding to the practical test), on or before 30th June 1997, on a motor bicycle without a side-car having an engine with a cylinder capacity of not more than 250 cubic centimetres, a licence authorising him to drive all classes of motor vehicle included in category A;
- (b) in a case where he has passed the practical test (or the Great Britain test of competence corresponding to the practical test) on a motor bicycle without a side-car having an engine with a cylinder capacity of over 120 cubic centimetres, a licence authorising him to drive all classes of motor vehicle included in category A and motor bicycles up to 25 kilowatts with a power to weight ratio which does not exceed 0.16 kw/kg;
- (c) in a case where the practical test (or the Great Britain test of competence corresponding to the practical test) was passed on any other motor bicycle without a side-car having an engine with a cylinder capacity of 75 cubic centimetres but not more than 120 cubic centimetres (but subject to paragraph (2)) a licence authorising him to drive all classes of motor vehicle included in category A1;
- (d) in a case where he has passed the practical test in Great Britain on a motor bicycle and side-car combination and the engine of the bicycle has a maximum net power output of not less than 35 kilowatts, a licence authorising him to drive all classes of motor bicycle and side-car combinations included in category A;
- (e) subject to paragraph (3), in a case where the practical test (or the Great Britain test of competence corresponding to the practical test) was passed on a motor bicycle and a side-car combination the power to weight ratio of which does not exceed 0.16 kw/kg but which

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does not fall within sub-paragraph (d), a licence authorising him to drive motor bicycles and side-car combinations.

(3) A licence granted to a person who has passed a test on or after 1st July 1997, by virtue of paragraph (2)(b), shall authorise him to drive all classes of motor vehicle included in category A upon the expiration of a period of two years commencing on the date when he passed the test.