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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations further amend the Goods Vehicles (Testing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 as follows—

- (1) For vehicles exceeding 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight—
  - (a) the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, a re-test or an appeal for a 4 axle rigid vehicle is increased from £32·50 to £35;
  - (b) the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, a re-test or an appeal is reduced as follows—
    - (i) for a 2 axle rigid vehicle, from £25 to £23;
    - (ii) for a 3 axle rigid vehicle, from £30 to £28·50; and
    - (iii) for an articulated vehicle having a 2 axle drawing vehicle, from £27·50 to £25; and
  - (c) the fee payable where an application for a re-test is made within 21 days from the date of service of a notice of refusal of a goods vehicle test certificate is reduced from £16·50 to £13 for all vehicles.
- (2) For a trailer, the fee payable where an application for a re-test is made within 21 days from the date of service of a notice of refusal of a goods vehicle test certificate is increased from £11 to £13.

The following fees remain unchanged—

- (a) for a vehicle of 3,500 kilograms maximum gross weight or under—
  - (i) the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, a re-test or an appeal remains unchanged at £17, and
  - (ii) the fee payable where an application for a re-test is made within 21 days from the date of service of a notice of refusal of a goods vehicle test certificate remains unchanged at £10;
- (b) for an articulated vehicle having a 3 axle drawing vehicle, the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, a re-test or an appeal remains unchanged at £32·50; and
- (c) for a trailer, the fee payable on application for a first test, a periodical test, a re-test or an appeal remains unchanged at £22.