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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2001 No. 387**

**The Carriage of Explosives by Rail  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001**

**Part VI**

**Miscellaneous and General**

**Exemption certificates**

**22.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), and to any provisions imposed by the Communities in respect of the transport of explosives by rail, the Secretary of State may, by a certificate in writing, exempt—

- (a) any person or class of persons;
- (b) any explosives or class of explosives; or
- (c) any container, package or wagon,

from any or all of the requirements or prohibitions imposed by these Regulations and any such exemption may be granted subject to conditions and to a limit of time and may be revoked at any time by the Secretary of State by a further certificate in writing.

(2) The Secretary of State shall not grant any such exemption unless, having regard to the circumstances of the case and in particular to—

- (a) any conditions which he proposes to attach to the exemption, and
- (b) any other requirements imposed by or under any enactments which apply to the case,

he is satisfied that the environment, the health and safety of persons who are likely to be affected by the exemption and the security of the explosives will not be prejudiced in consequence of it.

(3) The Secretary of State for Defence may, in the interests of national security, by a certificate in writing exempt any person from all or any of the requirements or prohibitions imposed by these Regulations in so far as they relate to the carriage of any explosives and any such exemption may be granted subject to the conditions and to a limit of time and may be revoked by the said Secretary of State at any time by a further certificate in writing.