



Vehicle and Driving Licences Act 1969

1969 CHAPTER 27

An Act to make further provision, in relation to mechanically propelled vehicles, about the licensing, registration and marking of vehicles, the payment of excise duty, the licensing of drivers, offences and the provision of copies of test certificates; and for purposes connected with those matters. [25th June 1969]

Annotations:

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), s. 3](#)

Commencement Information

I1 Act not in force at Royal Assent; see [s. 38\(2\)](#).

Transfer of functions

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F1 [S. 1](#) repealed (5.11.1993) by [1993 c. 50, s. 1\(1\), Sch. 1 Pt. XV](#) Gp. 1

2 Provisions supplementary to s. 1.

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(3) The Minister shall make regulations providing for the payment by him, subject to such exceptions or conditions as may be prescribed, of compensation to or in respect of persons who are or were, or but for any national service of theirs would be or

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would have been, the holders of any such place, situation or employment as may be prescribed and who suffer or have suffered loss of employment or loss or diminution of emoluments which is attributable to the provisions of section 1 of this Act; and any such regulations may include provision for the determination of questions arising under the regulations.

In this subsection “national service” means any such service in any of Her Majesty’s forces or other employment (whether or not in the service of Her Majesty) as may be prescribed.

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F2 S. 2, except 2(3), repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F3 S. 3 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1

Vehicle licences

4—10. **F4**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F4 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

Continuous liability for vehicle excise duty

11 **F5**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F5 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

12 **F6**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F6 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

Drivers and driving licences

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F7 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

16 Other amendments of enactments relating to drivers etc.

(1) **F8**

(2) The Act of 1960 shall have effect subject to the further amendments specified in Schedule 2 to this Act.

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F8 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

F9 S. 16(6) repealed by Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (c. 27, SIF 107:1), s. 146, **Sch. 14**

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 The text of ss. 16(2), 37, Sch. 1 para. 10(a)–(d), Sch. 2 paras. 8, 11, Sch. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Miscellaneous

17 **F10**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F10 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

18 **F11**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F11 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

19 **F12**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F12 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

20 **F13**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F13 Ss. 20, 25, 26 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I** and Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

21 **F14**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F14 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

22, 23. **F15**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F15 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

Legal proceedings etc.

24 **F16**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F16 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

25 **F17**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F17 Ss. 20, 25, 26 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I** and Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

26 **F18**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F18 Ss. 20, 25, 26 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I** and Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

F19 **27**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F19 S. 27 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1

28 **F20**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F20 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

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(1) **F21**
(3) **F22**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F21 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

F22 S. 29(3) repealed by Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act 1978 (c. 3, SIF 100:3), s. 12, **Sch. 2**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F23 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), **Sch. 8 Pt. I**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F24 Ss. 31, 32 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), **Sch. 9 Pt. I.**

Supplemental

^{F25}**33**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F25 S. 33 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

34 Orders and regulations.

- (1) Any power to make ^{F26} . . . regulations conferred on the Minister by this Act shall be exercisable by statutory instrument; and any statutory instrument made by virtue of this Act shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (2) . . . any regulations . . . made under this Act ^{F27} may—
 - (a) make different provision for different circumstances;
 - (b) provide for exemptions from any provisions of the . . . regulations; and
 - (c) contain such incidental and supplemental provisions as the Minister considers expedient for the purposes of the . . . regulations,

. . .

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F26 Words in s. 34(1)(2) repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

F27 Words repealed by **Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), Sch. 8 Pt. I**

F28 S. 34(3)(4) repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

F29 Ss. 4–12, 17, 19, 21, 24, 28, 29(1)(2), 30, 34(5), 36(2), Sch. 1 paras. 4–8, 11, 13–18 repealed by **Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 (c. 10), Sch. 8 Pt. I**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F30 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by **Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), Sch. 9 Pt. I**

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Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F31 S. 36 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

^{F32}**37**

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F32 S. 37 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

38 Short title, commencement and extent.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Vehicle and Driving Licences Act 1969.

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(3) This Act does not extend to Northern Ireland.

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F33 S. 38(2) repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

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SCHEDULE 1

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F34 Sch. 1 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. XV Gp. 1.

SCHEDULE 2

Section 16 (2).

AMENDMENTS OF PROVISIONS OF ACT OF 1960 RELATING TO DRIVERS ETC.

1—7. F40

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F40 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), Sch. 9 Pt. I

8 In section 232(2)(a) (under which the owner of a vehicle may be required to identify the driver of it who it is alleged to have committed an offence to which that section applies) for the words “owner of” there shall be substituted the words “person keeping”.

Annotations:

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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9, 10. F41

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F41 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by Road Traffic Act 1972 (c. 20), Sch. 9 Pt. I

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

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11 In section 244 (which specifies the time for beginning summary proceedings for certain offences), for the words from “from” where it first occurs onwards there

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shall be substituted the words “from the date on which evidence sufficient in the opinion of the prosecutor to warrant the proceedings came to his knowledge ; but no such proceedings shall be brought by virtue of this section more than three years after the commission of the offence.

For the purposes of this section a certificate signed by or on the behalf of the prosecutor and stating the date on which such evidence as aforesaid came to his knowledge shall be conclusive evidence of that fact : and a certificate stating that matter and purporting to be so signed shall be deemed to be so signed unless the contrary is proved.”

12, 13. F42

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F42 Ss. 13–15, 16(1)(3)–(5)(7), 18, 22, 23, 31, 32, 35, Sch. 1 paras. 1–3, 12, Sch. 2 paras. 1–7, 9, 10, 12, 13 repealed by [Road Traffic Act 1972 \(c. 20\)](#), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

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SCHEDULE 3

Annotations:

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F43 [Sch. 3](#) repealed (5.11.1993) by [1993 c. 50, s. 1\(1\)](#), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1.

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