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# Road Traffic (Driver Licensing and Information Systems) Act 1989

## CHAPTER 22

### ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVER LICENSING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS) ACT 1989

#### PART I

##### DRIVING LICENCES

- 1 Abolition of special licences for driving HGVs and PSVs.
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- 3 Exceptions to prohibition on driving without a licence.
- 4 Tests of competence and related conditions of entitlement to driving licence.
- 5 Refusal or revocation of licences on grounds of physical unfitness.
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###### *Preliminary*

- 8 Definitions of driver information systems etc.

###### *Licensing for driver information systems*

- 9 Requirement for licence to operate driver information system.
- 10 Operators' licences.
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### SCHEDULES

#### SCHEDULE 1 — EXISTING HGV AND PSV DRIVERS' LICENCES

##### Part I — EXISTING HGV AND PSV DRIVERS' LICENCES

#### *Preliminary*

- 1 In this Part of this Schedule— “conduct” means—

#### *Functions of Secretary of State and Traffic Commissioners*

- 2 (1) The functions conferred by the following provisions of this...

#### *Conditions of existing HGV licences*

- 3 (1) An existing heavy goods vehicle licence issued as a...

#### *Duration of existing licences*

- 4 (1) An existing heavy goods vehicle licence shall, unless previously...

#### *Revocation or suspension of existing licences*

- 5 (1) An existing heavy goods vehicle licence or public service...

#### *Disqualification on revocation of existing licences*

- 6 (1) Where in pursuance of paragraph 5(1)(a) above the Secretary...

#### *Appeals relating to existing licences*

- 7 (1) The holder of an existing licence who is aggrieved...

#### *Regulations*

- 8 (1) The Secretary of State may make regulations for prescribing...

#### *Provisions as to existing Northern Ireland licences*

- 9 (1) In this paragraph “existing Northern Ireland licence” means a...

#### Part II — TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

- 10 (1) Notwithstanding section 22(1) of the 1981 Act but subject...
- 11 Notwithstanding section 87 of the 1988 Act, a person who...

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12 The power to make regulations under paragraph 8 above includes...

SCHEDULE 2 — Provisions inserted in Road Traffic Act 1988  
PART IV Licensing of drivers of large goods vehicles and...

SCHEDULE 3 — Driving Licences: Minor, Consequential, and Further  
Amendments

*Energy Act 1976 (c.76)*

1 In Schedule 1 to the Energy Act 1976, in paragraph...

*Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981 (c.14)*

2 In section 24 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981...

3 In section 46(1) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981...

*Transport Act 1985 (c.67)*

4 In section 18 of the Transport Act 1985 (exemption from...

5 In section 23(2) of the Transport Act 1985 (conditions of...

*Road Traffic Act 1988 (c.52)*

6 In section 23 of the 1988 Act (restriction on carriage...

7 In section 87 of the 1988 Act (drivers obliged to...

8 In section 89 of the 1988 Act (tests of competence...

9 In section 97(1) of the 1988 Act (licences to be...

10 In section 97(3) of the 1988 Act (provisional licences), in...

11 In section 98 of the 1988 Act (form of licence...

12 In section 99 of the 1988 Act (duration of licences)—...

13 In section 103 of the 1988 Act (obtaining licence, or...

14 In section 105 of the 1988 Act (regulations), in subsection...

15 In section 108(1) of the 1988 Act (interpretation)—

16 In section 109 of the 1988 Act (driving in Great...

17 In section 121(2) of the 1988 Act (heavy goods vehicle...

18 In section 164 of the 1988 Act (production to constables...

19 In section 165(4) of the 1988 Act (defence in case...

20 For section 166 of the 1988 Act (powers of certain...

21 In section 172(1) of the 1988 Act (duty to give...

22 In section 173(2) of the 1988 Act (forgery of documents,...

23 For section 183(6) of the 1988 Act (discharge of Part...

24 In section 192(3) of the 1988 Act (interpretation of references...

*Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 (c.53)*

25 In section 45 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988...

26 In section 98(3) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988...

27 In Schedule 1 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988—...

28 In Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988,...

29 In Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988,...

30 In Schedule 5 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988—...

SCHEDULE 4 — Driver Information System Licences: Application of Acts to  
Licence Holders

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- 1 Sections 271 to 274 of the Town and Country Planning...
- 2 Section 219 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act...
- 3 (1) The Highways Act 1980 shall be amended as provided...
- 4 Paragraph 23 of Schedule 2 to the Telecommunications Act 1984...
- 5 (1) The Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 shall be amended as...

#### SCHEDULE 5 — Driver Information Systems: Undertakers' Works

##### *Preliminary*

- 1 The following provisions of this Schedule apply where a relevant...

##### *Notice of proposed works*

- 2 (1) The relevant undertaker shall, not less than 10 days...

##### *Counter-notices*

- 3 Where a notice has been given under paragraph 2 above...
- 4 Where a counter-notice given under paragraph 3 above states that...
- 5 Where a counter-notice given under paragraph 3 above states that...

##### *Execution of works*

- 6 Where— (a) no counter-notice is given under paragraph 3 above,...

##### *Penalty*

- 7 (1) If the relevant undertaker or any of his agents—...

##### *Definitions*

- 8 In this Schedule— “relevant undertaker” means— (a) any person or...

#### SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals

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