



Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators) Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 23

General provisions

51 Time for bringing proceedings.

Section 6 of the ^{M1}Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 (time for bringing summary proceedings for certain offences) shall apply to an offence under section 9(3)(a) or (b), 38 or 39.

Marginal Citations

M1 1988 c. 53.

52 Destination of fines: Scotland.

There shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund all fines imposed in respect of offences committed in Scotland under the provisions of this Act or regulations made under it.

53 Method of calculating weight of motor vehicles.

For the purposes of this Act the weight unladen of a vehicle shall be taken to be the weight of the vehicle inclusive of the body and all parts (the heavier being taken where alternative bodies or parts are used) which are necessary to or ordinarily used with the vehicle when working on a road, but exclusive of the weight of water, fuel or accumulators used for the purpose of the supply of power for the propulsion of the vehicle, and of loose tools and loose equipment.

54 Saving for law of nuisance.

Nothing in this Act shall authorise a person to use on a road a vehicle so constructed or used as to cause a public or private nuisance, or in Scotland a nuisance, or affect

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the liability, whether under statute or common law, of the driver or owner so using such a vehicle.

55 Protection of public interests.

It is hereby declared that nothing in this Act is to be treated as conferring on the holder of an operator’s licence any right to the continuance of any benefits arising from this Act or from any such licence or from any conditions attached to any such licence.

^{F1}56 Secretary of State’s power to hold inquiries.

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Textual Amendments
F1 [S. 56](#) repealed (22.7.2004) by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 2004 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. 14](#)

[^{F2}56A. Traffic commissioner may have regard to international obligations

- (1) In exercising a function under any provision made by or under this Act in relation to a standard licence authorising both national and international transport operations, a traffic commissioner may have regard to any obligation of the United Kingdom as a party to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement that is relevant to the exercise of the function.
- (2) In this section, “the Trade and Cooperation Agreement” has the meaning given in section 37 of the European Union (Future Relationship) Act 2020.]

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Textual Amendments
F2 [S. 56A](#) inserted (17.3.2022) by [The Goods Vehicles \(Licensing of Operators\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/293\)](#), regs. 2(1), [51](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 5(6)(6A) substituted for s. 5(6) by [2000 c. 38 s. 263](#)