



Transport Act 2000

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PART III

ROAD USER CHARGING AND WORKPLACE PARKING LEVY

CHAPTER I

ROAD USER CHARGING

Charging schemes

163 Preliminary.

- (1) In this Part “charging scheme” means a scheme for imposing charges in respect of the use or keeping of motor vehicles on roads.
- (2) Charges imposed in respect of any motor vehicle by a charging scheme under this Part shall be paid—
 - (a) by the registered keeper of the motor vehicle, or
 - (b) in circumstances specified in regulations made by the appropriate national authority, by such person as is so specified.
- (3) A charging scheme may be made—
 - (a) by a non-metropolitan local traffic authority (“a local charging scheme”),
 - (b) jointly by more than one non-metropolitan local traffic authority (“a joint local charging scheme”),
 - [^{F1}(bb) jointly by an Integrated Transport Authority [^{F2}, combined authority or combined county authority] and one or more eligible local traffic authorities (“a joint local-ITA charging scheme”),]
 - (c) jointly by one or more non-metropolitan local traffic authorities and one or more London traffic authorities (“a joint local-London charging scheme”),

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- [^{F3}(cc) jointly by an Integrated Transport Authority [^{F4}, combined authority or combined county authority], one or more eligible local traffic authorities and one or more London traffic authorities (“a joint ITA-London charging scheme”), or]
- (d) by the Secretary of State or the National Assembly for Wales (“a trunk road charging scheme”).
- (4) In this Part references to a non-metropolitan local traffic authority are to a local traffic authority for an area outside Greater London.
- [^{F5}(4A) In this Part “eligible local traffic authority” means, in relation to any Integrated Transport Authority for an integrated transport area [^{F6}, combined authority or combined county authority], a local traffic authority which is a council falling within subsection (4B) for—
- (a) an area which lies within the Authority's area,
 - (b) an area which adjoins the Authority's area,
 - (c) an area which adjoins an area falling within paragraph (b).
- (4B) The councils are—
- (a) a county council in England,
 - (b) a council for a non-metropolitan district comprised in an area for which there is no county council,
 - (c) a metropolitan district council.]

(5) In this Part—

 - (a) “the charging authority”, in relation to a charging scheme under this Part made or proposed to be made by one authority, means the authority by which the charging scheme is or is proposed to be made, and
 - (b) “the charging authorities”, in relation to a charging scheme under this Part made or proposed to be made jointly by more than one authority, means the authorities by which the charging scheme is or is proposed to be made.

[^{F7}(5A) In this Part “combined authority” means a combined authority established under section 103 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.]

[^{F8}(5B) In this Part “combined county authority” means a combined county authority established under section 9(1) of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023.]

(6) The power to make joint local-London charging schemes [^{F9}and joint ITA-London charging schemes] conferred by this Part does not limit any of the powers in Schedule 23 to the ^{M1}Greater London Authority Act 1999 (road user charging in Greater London).

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 163(3)(bb) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [103\(2\)\(a\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F2** Words in s. 163(3)(bb) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. [255\(2\)\(c\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 135\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F3** S. 163(3)(cc) substituted for word (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [103\(2\)\(b\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)

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- F4** Words in s. 163(3)(cc) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 135\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F5** S. 163(4A)(4B) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 103\(3\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F6** Words in s. 163(4A) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 135\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F7** S. 163(5A) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 102\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F8** S. 163(5B) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 135\(3\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F9** Words in s. 163(6) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 5 para. 2](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(k)

Commencement Information

- II** S. 163 partly in force; s. 163 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 163 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 163(2)(b) wholly in force and s. 163(1)(2)(a)(c)(d)(5)(6) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 paras. 13, 14](#)

Marginal Citations

- M1** [1999 c. 29](#).

164 Local charging schemes.

- (1) A local charging scheme may only be made in respect of roads for which the charging authority are the traffic authority.
- (2) A local charging scheme [^{F10}which has effect wholly outside an integrated transport area][^{F11}, the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of [^{F12}local transport policies of the charging authority].
- [^{F13}(3) A local charging scheme which has effect wholly within an integrated transport area [^{F14}, the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of local transport policies of—
- (a) the charging authority, and
 - (b) the Integrated Transport Authority for the integrated transport area [^{F15}or (as the case may be) the combined authority][^{F16}or combined county authority].
- (4) For the purposes of this section and sections 165 and 166—
- (a) a charging scheme has effect wholly outside an integrated transport area if none of the roads in respect of which it is made is in such an area;
 - (b) any reference to a charging scheme which has effect wholly, or partly, within an integrated transport area is to be read accordingly.]

Textual Amendments

- F10** Words in s. 164(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 104\(2\)\(a\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F11** Words in s. 164(2) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 136\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)

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- F12** Words in s. 164(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 104\(2\)\(b\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F13** S. 164(3)(4) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 104\(3\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F14** Words in s. 164(3) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 136\(3\)\(a\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F15** Words in s. 164(3)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 103\(3\)\(b\)](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F16** Words in s. 164(3)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 136\(3\)\(b\)](#) (with s. 247)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 164 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 10](#) (with art. 7(4))
- C2** S. 164(3) excluded by [S.I. 2011/41](#), art. 42A(2) (as inserted (14.9.2016) by [The River Mersey \(Mersey Gateway Bridge\) \(Amendment\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/851\)](#), arts. 1, [3\(3\)](#))

Commencement Information

- I2** S. 164 partly in force; s. 164 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 164 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 164 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 14](#)

165 Joint local charging schemes.

- (1) A joint local charging scheme may only be made in respect of roads for which any of the charging authorities are the traffic authority.
- (2) A joint local charging scheme [^{F17}which has effect wholly outside an integrated transport area][^{F18}, the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of [^{F19}local transport policies of the charging authorities].
- [^{F20}(3) A joint local charging scheme which has effect wholly or partly within an integrated transport area [^{F21}, the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of local transport policies of—
 - (a) the charging authorities, and
 - (b) the Integrated Transport Authority for the integrated transport area [^{F22}or (as the case may be) the combined authority [^{F23}or combined county authority].]
- (4) Section 164(4) has effect for the purposes of this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F17** Words in s. 165(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 105\(2\)\(a\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F18** Words in s. 165(2) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 137\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F19** Words in s. 165(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 105\(2\)\(b\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)

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- F20** S. 165(3)(4) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 105(3)**, 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F21** Words in s. 165(3) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 137(3)(a)** (with s. 247)
- F22** Words in s. 165(3)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 104(3)(b)**; [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F23** Words in s. 165(3)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 137(3)(b)** (with s. 247)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C3** S. 165 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 2 para. 11** (with art. 7(4))

Commencement Information

- I3** S. 165 partly in force; s. 165 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 165 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 165 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 14**

[^{F24}165AJoint local-ITA charging schemes

- (1) A joint local-ITA charging scheme may only be made—
- (a) in respect of roads for which any of the charging authorities are the traffic authority, and
 - (b) if at least one of the roads in respect of which it is made is within the integrated transport area of the Integrated Transport Authority [^{F25}or (as the case may be) the area of the combined authority [^{F26}or combined county authority].]
- (2) A joint local-ITA charging scheme may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of local transport policies of the charging authorities.]

Textual Amendments

- F24** S. 165A inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 106**, 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(j)
- F25** Words in s. 165A(1)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 105**; [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F26** Words in s. 165A(1)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 138** (with s. 247)

166 Joint local-London charging schemes.

- (1) A joint local-London charging scheme may only be made in respect of—
- (a) roads for which the non-metropolitan local traffic authority, or any of the non-metropolitan local traffic authorities, by which it is made are the traffic authority, and
 - (b) roads in respect of which the London traffic authority, or any of the London traffic authorities, by which it is made may impose charges by a scheme under Schedule 23 to the ^{M2}Greater London Authority Act 1999 without the consent of the Secretary of State.

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- (2) A joint local-London charging scheme [^{F27}which has effect wholly outside an integrated transport area][^{F28}the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of—
- (a) [^{F29}local transport policies] of the non-metropolitan local traffic authority, or ^{F30}... the non-metropolitan local traffic authorities, by which it is made, and
 - (b) policies and proposals set out in the transport strategy prepared and published by the Mayor of London under section 142 of the ^{M3}Greater London Authority Act 1999.
- [^{F31}(3) A joint local-London charging scheme which has effect partly within an integrated transport area [^{F32}the area of a combined authority or the area of a combined county authority] may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of—
- (a) local transport policies of the non-metropolitan local traffic authority, or the non-metropolitan local traffic authorities, by which the scheme is made,
 - (b) local transport policies of the Integrated Transport Authority for the integrated transport area [^{F33}or (as the case may be) the combined authority][^{F34}or combined county authority], and
 - (c) policies and proposals set out in the transport strategy prepared and published by the Mayor of London under section 142 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999.
- (4) Section 164(4) has effect for the purposes of this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F27** Words in s. 166(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [107\(2\)\(a\)](#), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F28** Words in s. 166(2) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 139\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F29** Words in s. 166(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [107\(2\)\(b\)](#), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F30** Words in s. 166(2) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [107\(2\)\(c\)](#), 134(4), [Sch. 7 Pt. 5](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F31** S. 166(3)(4) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [107\(3\)](#), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F32** Words in s. 166(3) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 139\(3\)\(a\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F33** Words in s. 166(3)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 106\(3\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F34** Words in s. 166(3)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 139\(3\)\(b\)](#) (with s. 247)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C4** S. 166 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 12](#) (with art. 7(4))

Commencement Information

- I4** S. 166 partly in force; s. 166 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 166 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#))

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[^{F35}166AJoint ITA-London charging schemes

- (1) A joint ITA-London charging scheme may only be made—
 - (a) in respect of roads falling within subsection (2), and
 - (b) if at least one of the roads in respect of which it is made is within the integrated transport area of the Integrated Transport Authority [^{F36} or (as the case may be) the area of the combined authority [^{F37} or combined county authority].]
- (2) The roads are—
 - (a) roads for which the eligible local traffic authority, or any of the eligible local traffic authorities, by which the scheme is made are the traffic authority, and
 - (b) roads in respect of which the London traffic authority, or any of the London traffic authorities, by which the scheme is made may impose charges by a scheme under Schedule 23 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 without the consent of the Secretary of State.
- (3) A joint ITA-London charging scheme may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of—
 - (a) local transport policies of the eligible local traffic authority, or the eligible local traffic authorities, by which the scheme is made,
 - (b) local transport policies of the Integrated Transport Authority [^{F38}, combined authority or combined county authority] by which the scheme is made, and
 - (c) policies and proposals set out in the transport strategy prepared and published by the Mayor of London under section 142 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999.]

Textual Amendments

- F35** S. 166A inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. **108**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(j)
- F36** Words in s. 166A(1)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 107(2)**; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F37** Words in s. 166A(1)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 140(2)** (with s. 247)
- F38** Words in s. 166A(3)(b) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 140(3)** (with s. 247)

167 Trunk road charging schemes.

- (1) A trunk road charging scheme may only be made—
 - (a) by the Secretary of State in respect of roads for which he [^{F39} or a strategic highways company] is the traffic authority, or
 - (b) by the National Assembly for Wales in respect of roads for which it is the traffic authority.
- (2) A trunk road charging scheme may only be made in respect of a road if—

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- (a) the road is carried by a bridge, or passes through a tunnel, of at least 600 metres in length, or
- (b) a local traffic authority [^{F40}, an Integrated Transport Authority][^{F41}, a combined authority][^{F42}, a combined county authority] or Transport for London has requested the charging authority to make the trunk road charging scheme in connection with a charging scheme under this Part, or a scheme under Schedule 23 to the ^{M4}Greater London Authority Act 1999, made or proposed by them.

Textual Amendments

- F39** Words in s. 167(1)(a) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), **Sch. 1 para. 126**; [S.I. 2015/481](#), reg. 2(a)
- F40** Words in s. 167(2)(b) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), **Sch. 5 para. 3**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(k)
- F41** Words in s. 167(2)(b) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 108**; [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F42** Words in s. 167(2)(b) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 141** (with s. 247)

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- I5** S. 167 partly in force; s. 167 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 167 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 167 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 14**

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- M4** [1999 c. 29](#).

Making of charging schemes

168 Charging schemes to be made by order.

- (1) A charging scheme under this Part is made by order of the charging authority or of the charging authorities (acting jointly).
- (2) The charging authority or the charging authorities (acting jointly) may by order vary a charging scheme under this Part and the charging authority or any of the charging authorities may by order revoke such a scheme; but where a trunk road charging scheme is made at the request of a local traffic authority [^{F43}, an Integrated Transport Authority][^{F44}, a combined authority][^{F45}, a combined county authority] or Transport for London, it shall not be varied or revoked unless the local traffic authority [^{F46} or the Integrated Transport Authority][^{F47}, the Integrated Transport Authority [^{F48}, the combined authority or the combined county authority]], or Transport for London, have been consulted about its variation or revocation.
- (3) The appropriate national authority may make regulations about orders making, varying or revoking charging schemes under this Part, including (in particular)—
 - (a) provision specifying the form of orders,
 - (b) provision about the publication of proposals for orders making or varying such charging schemes and the making and consideration of objections to such proposals, and

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- (c) provision about the publication of notice of orders and of their effect.
- (4) Before making regulations under subsection (3) which relate to joint local-London charging schemes [^{F49}or joint ITA-London charging schemes] the Secretary of State shall consult the Greater London Authority about the regulations so far as they so relate.

Textual Amendments

- F43** Words in s. 168(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), **Sch. 5 para. 4(2)(a)**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)
- F44** Words in s. 168(2) inserted (17.12.2009) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 109(a)**; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F45** Words in s. 168(2) inserted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 142(a)** (with s. 247)
- F46** Words in s. 168(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), **Sch. 5 para. 4(2)(b)**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)
- F47** Words in s. 168(2) substituted (17.12.2009) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), s. 148(6), **Sch. 6 para. 109(b)**; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F48** Words in s. 168(2) substituted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), **Sch. 4 para. 142(b)** (with s. 247)
- F49** Words in s. 168(4) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), **Sch. 5 para. 4(3)**; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)

Commencement Information

- I6** S. 168 partly in force; s. 168 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 168 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/57, art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in **Sch. 3 Pt. II**); s. 168(3) in force and s. 168(1)(2)(4) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by S.I. 2001/2788, art. 2, **Sch. 1 paras. 13, 14**

169 Confirmation of charging schemes.

- (1) A charging scheme under this Part [^{F50}which relates wholly or partly to Wales], other than a trunk road charging scheme, shall not come into force unless the order making it has been submitted to and confirmed by [^{F51}the Welsh Ministers]; and a variation of such a charging scheme shall not take effect until the order making the variation has been so submitted and confirmed.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply in such circumstances as may be specified in or determined in accordance with regulations made by [^{F52}the Welsh Ministers].
- (3) A joint local-London charging scheme [^{F53}or joint ITA-London charging scheme] shall not come into force unless the order making it has been submitted to and confirmed by the Greater London Authority; and a variation or revocation of such a charging scheme shall not take effect until the order making the variation or revocation has been so submitted and confirmed.
- (4) Where confirmation of an order is required by this section, the order may be confirmed with or without modifications.

^{F54}(5)

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Textual Amendments

- F50** Words in s. 169(1) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 110\(2\)\(a\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 6](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(l\)](#)
- F51** Words in s. 169(1) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 110\(2\)\(b\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 6](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(l\)](#)
- F52** Words in s. 169(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 110\(3\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 6](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(l\)](#)
- F53** Words in s. 169(3) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [s. 134\(4\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 5](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(k\)](#)
- F54** S. 169(5) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 110\(4\)](#), [134\(4\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 5](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 6](#)); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(l\)](#)

Commencement Information

- I7** S. 169 partly in force; s. 169 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 169 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 169 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 para. 14](#)

170 Charging schemes: consultation and inquiries.

[^{F55}(1A) Where the charging authority or any of the charging authorities are—

- (a) a local traffic authority for an area in England, or
- (b) an Integrated Transport Authority [^{F56}, a combined authority or a combined county authority],

that authority or those authorities (acting alone or jointly) must consult such local persons, and such representatives of local persons, as they consider appropriate about the charging scheme.

(1B) In subsection (1A)—

“local persons” means any persons who are likely to be affected by, or interested in, the making of the scheme;

“representatives” means any persons who appear to the charging authority or charging authorities to be representative of local persons.

(1C) In any other case, the charging authority or the charging authorities (acting jointly) may, at any time before an order making, varying or revoking a charging scheme under this Part is made, consult such persons as they consider appropriate about the charging scheme, variation or revocation.]

(2) The charging authority or the charging authorities (acting jointly)—

- (a) may cause an inquiry to be held in relation to a charging scheme under this Part, or the variation or revocation of such a scheme, and
- (b) may appoint the person or persons by whom such an inquiry is to be held.

(3) [^{F57}The Welsh Ministers] may at any time—

- (a) before an order making or varying a charging scheme under this Part [^{F58}which relates wholly or partly to Wales] (other than a trunk road charging scheme) is made, or
- (b) (where such an order has to be confirmed) before it is confirmed,

consult other persons, or require the charging authority or authorities to consult other persons, about the charging scheme or variation.

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- (4) [^{F59}The Welsh Ministers] —
- (a) may cause an inquiry to be held in relation to a charging scheme under this Part [^{F60}which relates wholly or partly to Wales] (other than a trunk road charging scheme) or the variation of such a scheme, and
 - (b) may appoint the person or persons by whom such an inquiry is to be held.
- (5) In the case of a joint local-London charging scheme [^{F61}or joint ITA-London charging scheme] —
- (a) the Greater London Authority may, at any time before an order making, varying or revoking the charging scheme is confirmed by that Authority, consult other persons, or require the charging authorities to consult other persons, about the charging scheme, variation or revocation, ^{F62}...
 - ^{F62}(b)
- (6) Subsections (2) and (3) of section 250 of the ^{M5}Local Government Act 1972 (witnesses at local inquiries) apply in relation to any inquiry held by virtue of this section.
- (7) Where an inquiry is held by virtue of this section in relation to a charging scheme, or the variation or revocation of such a scheme, the costs of the inquiry shall be paid—
- (a) in the case of a trunk road charging scheme made by virtue of section 167(2)
 - (b), by the local traffic authority [^{F63}, Integrated Transport Authority [^{F64}, combined authority or combined county authority]] which requested the making of the scheme (or Transport for London, if it did), and
 - (b) in any other case, by the charging authority or authorities;
- and the parties at the inquiry shall bear their own costs.

Textual Amendments

- F55** S. 170(1A)-(1C) substituted for s. 170(1) (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(2), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F56** Words in s. 170(1A)(b) substituted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), Sch. 4 para. 143(2) (with s. 247)
- F57** Words in s. 170(3) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(3)(a), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F58** Words in s. 170(3)(a) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(3)(b), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F59** Words in s. 170(4) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(4)(a), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F60** Words in s. 170(4)(a) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(4)(b), 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F61** Words in s. 170(5) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), s. 134(4), Sch. 5 para. 6(2); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)
- F62** S. 170(5)(b) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by Local Transport Act 2008 (c. 26), ss. 111(5)(b), 134(4), Sch. 7 Pt. 5; S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 6); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(l)
- F63** Words in s. 170(7)(a) substituted (17.12.2009) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), s. 148(6), Sch. 6 para. 110(3); S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F64** Words in s. 170(7)(a) substituted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), Sch. 4 para. 143(3) (with s. 247)

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Commencement Information

- I8** S. 170 partly in force; s. 170 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 170 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 170 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 14](#)

Marginal Citations

- M5** [1972 c. 70](#).

Contents of charging schemes

171 Matters to be dealt with in charging schemes.

- (1) A charging scheme under this Part must—
 - (a) designate the roads in respect of which charges are imposed,
 - (b) specify or describe the events by reference to the happening of which a charge is imposed in respect of a motor vehicle being used or kept on a road,
 - (c) specify the classes of motor vehicles in respect of which charges are imposed,
 - (d) specify the charges imposed, and
 - (e) state whether or not the charging scheme is to remain in force indefinitely and, if it is not to remain in force indefinitely, the period for which it is to remain in force.
- (2) Subject to sections 164 to 167 and to any modifications made by virtue of section 169, the designation of the roads in respect of which charges are imposed by a charging scheme under this Part shall be such as the charging authority or authorities may determine.
- (3) Any charge imposed by a charging scheme under this Part in respect of the keeping of a motor vehicle on a road must also have effect in respect of the use of the motor vehicle on that road.
- (4) A charging scheme under this Part may make provision in relation to the manner in which charges are to be made, collected, recorded and paid.
- (5) The charges that may be imposed by a charging scheme under this Part include different charges (which may be no charge) for different cases, including (in particular) —
 - (a) different days,
 - (b) different times of day,
 - (c) different roads,
 - (d) different distances travelled, [^{F65}and]
 - (e) different classes of motor vehicles [^{F66}, and
 - (f) different methods or means of recording, administering, collecting or paying the charge.]
- (6) In setting the charges imposed by a charging scheme under this Part, regard may be had to the purposes for which any of the net proceeds of the charging scheme may be applied (in accordance with Schedule 12).
- (7) A charging scheme under this Part may contain provision requiring—

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- (a) documents to be displayed while a motor vehicle is on a road in respect of which charges are imposed, or
- (b) equipment to be carried in or fitted to a motor vehicle while it is on such a road.

Textual Amendments

F65 Word in s. 171(5) repealed (31.1.2010 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 7 Pt. 5](#); [S.I. 2009/3294](#), art. 2(d)

F66 S. 171(5)(f) and word inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 112\(1\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(m)

Commencement Information

I9 S. 171 partly in force; s. 171 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 171 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 171 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 14](#)

172 ^[F67]Charging schemes: supplementary provision as to contents]

- (1) The appropriate national authority may make regulations requiring charging schemes under this Part to contain provision for or in connection with—
 - (a) exemptions from charges,
 - (b) the application of reduced rates of charges, or
 - (c) the imposition of limits on the charges payable.
- (2) Subject to regulations under subsection (1) and to section 169(1) and (3), a charging scheme under this Part may contain provision of any of the descriptions specified in that subsection.

^[F68](2A) The appropriate national authority may by regulations—

- (a) make provision requiring charging schemes under this Part to provide that in specified circumstances—
 - (i) persons of a specified description may pay, and
 - (ii) where those persons so choose, the charging authorities must collect, the charges imposed by such schemes in a specified manner;
- (b) make provision for or in connection with the arrangements to be made by charging authorities with any person for the purpose of enabling charges to be paid, and collected, as mentioned in paragraph (a).

(2B) In subsection (2A) “specified” means specified in the regulations.]

(3) ^[F69]A road shall not be subject to—

- (a) charges imposed by more than one charging scheme under this Part at the same time;
- (b) charges imposed by such a charging scheme and a scheme under Schedule 23 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 at the same time, except with the consent of the Authority.]

(4) A road shall not be subject to charges under a charging scheme under this Part if tolls are charged in respect of the use of the road.

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Textual Amendments

- F67** S. 172 heading substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 113(4), 134(4)**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), **art. 2(n)**
- F68** S. 172(2A)(2B) inserted (9.2.2009 for E. in so far as not already in force, 26.11.2008 for specified purposes, 1.4.2009 for W. in so far as not already in force) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 113(2), 134(1)(c)(4)**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), **art. 2(n)**
- F69** S. 172(3) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 113(3), 134(4)**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), **art. 2(n)**

Commencement Information

- I10** S. 172 partly in force; s. 172 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 172 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), **art. 3(2)**, **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 172(1) in force and s. 172(2)-(4) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), **art. 2**, **Sch. 1 paras. 13, 14**

^{F70}Suspension of charging schemes

Textual Amendments

- F70** S. 172A and cross-heading inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 114, 134(4)**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), **art. 2(o)**

172A Suspension of charging schemes

- (1) The charging authority or the charging authorities (acting jointly) may suspend the operation of a charging scheme under this Part if they consider that it is necessary to do so—
 - (a) in the event of an emergency, to enable or facilitate any action taken in response to the emergency;
 - (b) to enable or facilitate a temporary event to take place.
- (2) A suspension under this section is for such period as the charging authority or authorities consider necessary—
 - (a) in the case of an emergency, to enable or facilitate the response to the emergency (but in any event no longer than 30 days);
 - (b) in the case of a temporary event, to enable or facilitate the event to take place, together with any associated works undertaken before or after it.
- (3) A charging scheme may be suspended under this section in whole or in part; and if a scheme is suspended in part that suspension may be in respect of—
 - (a) any road in respect of which charges are imposed;
 - (b) any event by reference to the happening of which a charge is imposed;
 - (c) any class of motor vehicle in respect of which charges are imposed.
- (4) The charging authority or authorities must publish a notice of any suspension under this section.
- (5) A notice under subsection (4)—

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- (a) must be published in such manner as the charging authority or authorities consider appropriate to bring the suspension to the attention of all persons who are likely to be affected by it;
 - (b) must state the period for which the scheme is to be suspended.
- (6) In the case of a suspension under subsection (1)(a), the charging authority or authorities—
 - (a) must keep under review the need for the suspension to continue, and
 - (b) may increase or reduce the period of the suspension (but they may not increase it so as to suspend the scheme for a period of more than 30 days).]

Enforcement of charging schemes

173 Penalty charges.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision for or in connection with the imposition and payment of charges (“charging scheme penalty charges”) in respect of acts, omissions, events or circumstances relating to or connected with charging schemes under this Part.
- (2) The regulations may include provision for or in connection with setting the rates of charging scheme penalty charges (which may include provision for discounts or surcharges).
- (3) Charging scheme penalty charges in respect of any motor vehicle shall be paid—
 - (a) by the registered keeper of the motor vehicle, or
 - (b) in circumstances specified in regulations made by the appropriate national authority, by such person as is so specified.
- (4) The Lord Chancellor may make regulations about the notification, adjudication and enforcement of charging scheme penalty charges.
- (5) A person commits an offence if with intent to avoid payment of, or being identified as having failed to pay, a charge imposed by a charging scheme under this Part—
 - (a) he interferes with any equipment [F71, or with the functioning of any equipment,] used for or in connection with charging under the charging scheme, or
 - (b) he causes or permits the registration plate of a motor vehicle to be obscured.
- (6) A person commits an offence if he makes or uses any false document with intent to avoid payment of, or being identified as having failed to pay, charges imposed by a charging scheme under this Part or charging scheme penalty charges.
- (7) A person commits an offence if he removes a notice of a charging scheme penalty charge which has been fixed to a motor vehicle in accordance with regulations under this section unless—
 - (a) he is the registered keeper of the vehicle or a person using the vehicle with his authority, or
 - (b) he does so under the authority of the registered keeper or such a person or of the charging authority or any of the charging authorities.
- (8) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (5) or (6) is liable on summary conviction to—

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- (a) a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or
 - (b) imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months,
- or to both.

- (9) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (7) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

Textual Amendments

F71 Words in s. 173(5)(a) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. [115\(1\)](#), [134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(p)

Commencement Information

III S. 173 partly in force; s. 173 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 173 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 173(1)-(4) wholly in force and s. 173(5)-(9) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, Sch. 1 paras. 13, 14

174 Examination, entry, search and seizure.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision enabling or requiring charging schemes under this Part to confer powers on persons specified in, or determined in accordance with, the regulations for or in connection with examining a motor vehicle for ascertaining—
 - (a) whether any document required to be displayed while the motor vehicle is on a road in respect of which charges are imposed is so displayed,
 - (b) whether any equipment required to be carried in or fitted to the motor vehicle while the motor vehicle is on such a road is carried or fitted, is in proper working order
 - ^{F72}(bb) whether any such equipment, or the functioning of any such equipment, has been interfered with with intent to avoid payment of a charge, or to avoid any person being identified as having failed to pay a charge, or]
 - (c) whether any conditions relating to the use of any such equipment are satisfied.
- (2) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision enabling or requiring charging schemes under this Part to confer power on any person authorised in writing by the charging authority, or any of the charging authorities, to enter a motor vehicle where he has reasonable grounds for suspecting that—
 - (a) any equipment required to be carried in or fitted to it while it is on a road in respect of which charges are imposed has been interfered with [^{F73}, or the functioning of any such equipment has been interfered with,] with intent to avoid payment of, or [^{F74}to avoid any person] being identified as having failed to pay, a charge imposed by the charging scheme, or
 - (b) there is in the motor vehicle a false document which has been made or used with intent to avoid payment of, or [^{F75}to avoid any person] being identified as having failed to pay, such a charge.
- (3) A person commits an offence if he intentionally obstructs a person exercising any power conferred on him by a charging scheme under this Part by virtue of subsection (2).

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- (4) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (3) is liable on summary conviction to—
- (a) a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or
 - (b) imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months,
- or to both.
- (5) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision enabling or requiring charging schemes under this Part to confer power on any person authorised in writing by the charging authority, or any of the charging authorities, to seize anything (if necessary by detaching it from a motor vehicle) and detain it as evidence of the commission of an offence under section 173(5) or (6).
- (6) A charging scheme under this Part may not authorise an examination of, or entry into, a motor vehicle unless it is on a road.

Textual Amendments

- F72** Words in s. 174(1) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 115\(2\)\(a\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(p\)](#)
- F73** Words in s. 174(2)(a) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 115\(2\)\(b\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(p\)](#)
- F74** Words in s. 174(2)(a) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 115\(2\)\(c\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(p\)](#)
- F75** Words in s. 174(2)(b) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 115\(2\)\(c\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), [art. 2\(p\)](#)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C5** S. 174 applied (1.2.2011) by [The River Mersey \(Mersey Gateway Bridge\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/41\)](#), [arts. 1](#), [46\(3\)](#) (with [art. 51](#), [Sch. 10 paras. 68](#), 85)

Commencement Information

- I12** S. 174 partly in force; s. 174 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 174 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 174(1)(2)(5) wholly in force and s. 174(3)(4)(6) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 paras. 13](#), [14](#)

175 Immobilisation etc.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision enabling or requiring charging schemes under this Part to make provision for or in connection with—
- (a) the fitting of immobilisation devices to motor vehicles,
 - (b) the fixing of immobilisation notices to motor vehicles to which an immobilisation device has been fitted,
 - (c) the removal and storage of motor vehicles,
 - (d) the release of motor vehicles from immobilisation devices or from storage,
 - (e) the satisfaction of conditions before the release of a motor vehicle, and
 - (f) the sale or destruction of motor vehicles not released.

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- (2) A person commits an offence if he removes or interferes with an immobilisation notice fixed to a motor vehicle in accordance with provision included in a charging scheme under this Part by virtue of subsection (1) in contravention of such provision.
- (3) A person commits an offence if he removes or attempts to remove an immobilisation device fitted to a motor vehicle in accordance with provision included in a charging scheme under this Part by virtue of subsection (1) in contravention of such provision.
- (4) A person commits an offence if he intentionally obstructs a person exercising any power conferred on him by provision included in a charging scheme under this Part by virtue of subsection (1).
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.
- (6) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (3) or (4) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (7) In this section “immobilisation device” has the same meaning as in section 104 of the ^{M6}Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- (8) A charging scheme under this Part may not authorise or require the fitting of an immobilisation device to, or the removal of, a motor vehicle unless it is on a road.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C6** S. 175 applied (1.2.2011) by [The River Mersey \(Mersey Gateway Bridge\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/41\)](#), arts. 1, **46(3)** (with art. 51, Sch. 10 paras. 68, 85)

Commencement Information

- I13** S. 175 partly in force; s. 175 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 175 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 175(1) wholly in force and s. 175(2)-(8) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, Sch. 1 paras. 13, **14**

Marginal Citations

- M6** 1984 c. 27.

Supplementary

176 Equipment etc.

- (1) The charging authority, or any of the charging authorities, in relation to a charging scheme under this Part may—
 - (a) install and maintain, or authorise the installation and maintenance of, any equipment, or
 - (b) construct and maintain, or authorise the construction and maintenance of, any buildings or other structures,
 used or to be used for or in connection with the operation of a charging scheme under this Part.

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- [^{F76}(1A) In relation to a charging scheme under section 167 (trunk road charging schemes), a strategic highways company may—
- (a) install and maintain, or authorise the installation and maintenance of, any equipment, or
 - (b) construct and maintain, or authorise the construction and maintenance of, any buildings or other structures,
- used or to be used for or in connection with the operation of a charging scheme under that section.]
- (2) The appropriate national authority may by regulations—
- [^{F77}(a)] approve standards for equipment installed, or authorised to be installed, by charging authorities for or in connection with the operation of charging schemes under this Part [^{F78}, or
 - (b) regulate the manner in which such equipment is used.]
- (3) No equipment may be—
- [^{F79}(a)] installed for or in connection with the operation of a charging scheme under this Part if it is incompatible with a standard approved under [^{F80}subsection (2)(a)].
 - [^{F81}(b)] used for or in connection with the operation of such a scheme otherwise than in accordance with regulations under subsection (2)(b).]

Textual Amendments

- F76** S. 176(1A) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), **Sch. 1 para. 127**; S.I. 2015/481, reg. 2(a)
- F77** Words in s. 176(2) renumbered as s. 176(2)(a) (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 116(2)(a)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(q)
- F78** S. 176(2)(b) and word inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 116(2)(b)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(q)
- F79** Words in s. 176(3) renumbered as s. 176(3)(a) (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 116(3)(a)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(q)
- F80** Words in s. 176(3)(a) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 116(3)(b)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(q)
- F81** S. 176(3)(b) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 116(3)(c)**, 134(4); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(q)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C7** S. 176 applied (1.2.2011) by [The River Mersey \(Mersey Gateway Bridge\) Order 2011 \(S.I. 2011/41\)](#), arts. 1, **46(3)** (with art. 51, **Sch. 10 paras. 68, 85**)

Commencement Information

- I14** S. 176 partly in force; s. 176 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 176 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in **Sch. 3 Pt. II**); s. 176(2) wholly in force and s. 176(1)(3) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 paras. 13, 14**

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177 Traffic signs.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may direct the charging authority, or any of the charging authorities, in relation to a charging scheme under this Part (other than a trunk road charging scheme) to place and maintain traffic signs, or cause traffic signs to be placed and maintained, in connection with the scheme.
- (2) In the case of a joint local-London charging scheme [^{F82}or joint ITA-London charging scheme] the Greater London Authority may also exercise the power conferred by subsection (1); but any direction under this subsection shall not have effect if and to the extent that it is inconsistent with a direction under subsection (1).
- (3) The appropriate national authority may direct any local traffic authority to place and maintain traffic signs, or cause traffic signs to be placed and maintained, in connection with a trunk road charging scheme.
- [^{F83}(3A) The Secretary of State may direct a strategic highways company to place and maintain traffic signs, or cause traffic signs to be placed and maintained, in connection with a trunk road charging scheme.]
- (4) An authority [^{F84}or a strategic highways company] which is or could be given a direction under this section may enter any land, and exercise any other powers which may be necessary, for placing and maintaining traffic signs, or causing traffic signs to be placed and maintained, in connection with any charging scheme in respect of which a direction is or could be given.
- (5) A direction under this section shall be given in writing and may be varied or revoked by the authority by which it was given.
- (6) In this section “traffic signs” has the meaning given by section 64 of the ^{M7}Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 but also includes signposts and other signs and notices included in that term by section 71(2) of that Act.

Textual Amendments

- F82** Words in s. 177(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), **Sch. 5 para. 7**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(k)
- F83** [S. 177\(3A\)](#) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), **Sch. 1 para. 128(2)**; [S.I. 2015/481](#), reg. 2(a)
- F84** Words in s. 177(4) inserted (5.3.2015) by [Infrastructure Act 2015 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 57(1), **Sch. 1 para. 128(3)**; [S.I. 2015/481](#), reg. 2(a)

Commencement Information

- I15** S. 177 partly in force; s. 177 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 177 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I** (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 177 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1 para. 14**

Marginal Citations

- M7** [1984 c. 27](#).

[^{F85}177A Power to require information

- (1) The appropriate national authority may direct a local traffic authority or Integrated Transport Authority [^{F86}, Integrated Transport Authority [^{F87}, combined authority or

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combined county authority]] to provide it, within a specified period, with specified information connected with any aspect of the performance or proposed performance of their functions under this Chapter.

- (2) The information that may be specified in such a direction must be information which the authority have in their possession or can reasonably be expected to acquire.
- (3) A direction under this section may be given to two or more authorities or to authorities of a description specified in the direction.]

Textual Amendments

- F85** S. 177A inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), **ss. 117(1), 134(4)**; [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(r)
- F86** Words in s. 177A(1) substituted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 111](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F87** Words in s. 177A(1) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 144](#) (with s. 247)

CHAPTER II

WORKPLACE PARKING LEVY

Licensing schemes

178 Preliminary.

- (1) In this Part “licensing scheme” means a scheme for imposing charges in respect of the provision of workplace parking places at premises in the area covered by the scheme to be paid on licences covering the provision of a maximum number of such parking places at the premises.
- (2) Charges imposed in respect of any premises by a licensing scheme under this Part shall be paid—
 - (a) by the occupier of the premises, or
 - (b) in circumstances specified in regulations made by the appropriate national authority, by such person as is so specified.
- (3) In this Part “licence” means a licence under a licensing scheme under this Part.
- (4) A licence relating to premises must cover the provision at the premises of the number of workplace parking places requested by the applicant for the licence; and in this Part “licensed unit”, in relation to a licence relating to premises, means each unit comprised in the maximum number of workplace parking places which may be provided at the premises under the cover of the licence.
- (5) A licensing scheme may be made—
 - (a) by a non-metropolitan local traffic authority (“a local licensing scheme”),
 - (b) jointly by more than one non-metropolitan local traffic authority (“a joint local licensing scheme”), or

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- (c) jointly by one or more non-metropolitan local traffic authorities and one or more London traffic authorities (“a joint local-London licensing scheme”).
- (6) In this Part—
 - (a) “the licensing authority”, in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part made or proposed to be made by one authority, means the authority by which the licensing scheme is or is proposed to be made, and
 - (b) “the licensing authorities”, in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part made or proposed to be made jointly by more than one authority, means the authorities by which the licensing scheme is or is proposed to be made.
- (7) The power to make joint local-London licensing schemes conferred by this Part does not limit any of the powers in Schedule 24 to the ^{M8}Greater London Authority Act 1999 (workplace parking levy in Greater London).

Commencement Information

I16 S. 178 partly in force; s. 178 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 178 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 178(2)(b) in force and s. 178(1)(2)(a)(3)-(7) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 paras. 15, 16](#)

Marginal Citations

M8 1999 c. 29.

179 Local licensing schemes.

- (1) A local licensing scheme may cover the whole or any part of the area of the licensing authority.
- (2) A local licensing scheme may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of [^{F88}local transport policies of the licensing authority].

Textual Amendments

F88 Words in s. 179(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 1 para. 5\(2\)](#); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(a)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C8 S. 179 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 13](#) (with art. 7(4))

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I17 S. 179 partly in force; s. 179 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 179 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 179 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

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180 Joint local licensing schemes.

- (1) A joint local licensing scheme may cover the whole or any part of the combined area of the licensing authorities.
- (2) A joint local licensing scheme may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of [^{F89}local transport policies of the licensing authorities].

Textual Amendments

F89 Words in s. 180(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 1 para. 6\(2\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(a)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C9 S. 180 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 14](#) (with art. 7(4))

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I18 S. 180 partly in force; s. 180 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 180 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 180 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

181 Joint local-London licensing schemes.

- (1) A joint local-London licensing scheme may cover—
 - (a) the whole or any part of the area of the non-metropolitan local traffic authority, or combined area of the non-metropolitan local traffic authorities, by which it is made, and
 - (b) the whole or any part of any area to which a scheme under Schedule 24 to the ^{M9}Greater London Authority Act 1999 made by the London traffic authority, or any of the London traffic authorities, by which it is made could apply.
- (2) A joint local-London licensing scheme may only be made if it appears desirable for the purpose of directly or indirectly facilitating the achievement of—
 - (a) [^{F90}local transport policies] of the non-metropolitan local traffic authority, or ^{F91}... the non-metropolitan local traffic authorities, by which it is made, and
 - (b) policies and proposals set out in the transport strategy prepared and published by the Mayor of London under section 142 of the ^{M10}Greater London Authority Act 1999.

Textual Amendments

F90 Words in s. 181(2)(a) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 1 para. 7\(2\)\(a\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(a)

F91 Words in s. 181(2)(a) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 1 para. 7\(2\)\(b\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(a)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C10 S. 181 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/157\)](#), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 15](#) (with art. 7(4))

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I19 S. 181 partly in force; s. 181 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 181 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#))

Marginal Citations

M9 1999 c. 29.

M10 1999 c. 29.

182 Workplace parking places.

(1) For the purposes of this Part a workplace parking place is provided at any premises at any time if a parking place provided at the premises is at that time occupied by a motor vehicle (other than an exempt vehicle) used—

- (a) by a relevant person,
- (b) by an employee, agent, supplier, business customer or business visitor of a relevant person,
- (c) by a pupil or student attending a course of education or training provided by a relevant person, or
- (d) where a body whose affairs are controlled by its members is a relevant person, by a member of the body engaged in the carrying on of any business of the body,

for attending a place at which the relevant person carries on business at or in the vicinity of the premises.

(2) In this section “relevant person” means—

- (a) the person who provides the parking place in question (“the provider”),
- (b) any person with whom the provider has entered into arrangements to provide the parking place (whether or not for that person’s own use), or
- (c) any person who is associated with the provider or a person within paragraph (b).

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(c) any two persons are associated if and only if—

- (a) one is a company of which the other (directly or indirectly) has control, or
- (b) both are companies of which a third person (directly or indirectly) has control.

(4) For the purposes of this section—

“business” includes—

- (a) any trade, profession, vocation or undertaking,
- (b) the functions of any office holder,
- (c) the provision of any course of education or training, and
- (d) the functions of, or any activities carried on by, a government department or a local authority or other statutory body,

“business customer”, in relation to a relevant person, means a client or customer of the relevant person who is attending at any premises occupied by the relevant person for the purposes of a business carried on by that client or customer,

“business visitor”, in relation to a relevant person, means an individual who—

- (a) in the course of his employment, or

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- (b) in the course of carrying on a business or for the purposes of a business carried on by him,

is visiting the relevant person or any premises occupied by the relevant person,

“employee” means a person employed under a contract of service or apprenticeship, whether express or implied, and (if express) whether oral or in writing, and

“supplier”, in relation to a relevant person, means—

- (a) a person supplying, or seeking to supply, goods or services to the relevant person for the purposes of a business carried on by the relevant person, or
- (b) any agent or sub-contractor of such a person.

- (5) The appropriate national authority may make regulations amending the preceding provisions of this section for the purpose of adding, removing or varying cases where, for the purposes of this Part, a workplace parking place is provided.

Commencement Information

120 S. 182 partly in force; s. 182 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 182 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 182(5) wholly in force and s. 182(1)-(4) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 paras. 15, 16](#)

Making of licensing schemes

183 Licensing schemes to be made by order.

- (1) A licensing scheme under this Part is made by order of the licensing authority or of the licensing authorities (acting jointly).
- (2) The licensing authority or the licensing authorities (acting jointly) may by order vary a licensing scheme under this Part and the licensing authority or any of the licensing authorities may by order revoke such a scheme.
- (3) The appropriate national authority may make regulations about orders making, varying or revoking licensing schemes under this Part, including (in particular)—
 - (a) provision specifying the form of orders,
 - (b) provision about the publication of proposals for orders making or varying such licensing schemes and the making and consideration of objections to such proposals, and
 - (c) provision about the publication of notice of orders and of their effect.
- (4) Before making regulations under subsection (3) which relate to joint local-London licensing schemes the Secretary of State shall consult the Greater London Authority about the regulations so far as they so relate.

Commencement Information

121 S. 183 partly in force; s. 183 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 183 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 183(3)

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wholly in force and s. 183(1)(2)(4) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 paras. 15, 16](#)

184 Confirmation of licensing schemes.

- (1) A licensing scheme under this Part shall not come into force unless the order making it has been submitted to and confirmed by the appropriate national authority; and a variation of such a licensing scheme shall not take effect until the order making the variation has been so submitted and confirmed.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not apply in such circumstances as may be specified in or determined in accordance with regulations made by the appropriate national authority.
- (3) A joint local-London licensing scheme shall not come into force unless the order making it has been submitted to and confirmed by the Greater London Authority; and a variation or revocation of such a licensing scheme shall not take effect until the order making the variation or revocation has been so submitted and confirmed.
- (4) Where confirmation of an order is required by this section, the order may be confirmed with or without modifications.
- (5) Where confirmation by both the Secretary of State and the Greater London Authority of an order making a joint local-London licensing scheme, or a variation of such a licensing scheme, is required by this section—
 - (a) the order shall not be submitted to the Secretary of State until it has been confirmed by the Greater London Authority,
 - (b) if the order has been confirmed by the Greater London Authority with modifications it is the modified order that must be submitted to the Secretary of State, and
 - (c) the order may not be confirmed with modifications by the Secretary of State until the modifications have been confirmed by the Greater London Authority.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C11 [S. 184\(1\)](#) excluded (E.) (1.10.2009) by [The Workplace Parking Levy \(England\) Regulations 2009 \(S.I. 2009/2085\)](#), [regs. 1\(1\), 3](#) (with [reg. 1\(2\)](#))

Commencement Information

I22 [S. 184](#) partly in force; [s. 184](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 275\(1\)\(2\)](#); [s. 184](#) in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); [s. 184](#) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

185 Licensing schemes: consultation and inquiries.

- (1) The licensing authority or the licensing authorities (acting jointly) may at any time before an order making, varying or revoking a licensing scheme under this Part is made, consult other persons about the licensing scheme, variation or revocation.
- (2) The licensing authority or the licensing authorities (acting jointly)—
 - (a) may cause an inquiry to be held in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part, or the variation or revocation of such a scheme, and
 - (b) may appoint the person or persons by whom such an inquiry is to be held.

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- (3) The appropriate national authority may at any time—
- (a) before an order making or varying a licensing scheme under this Part is made, or
 - (b) (where such an order has to be confirmed) before it is confirmed,
- consult other persons, or require the licensing authority or authorities to consult other persons, about the licensing scheme or variation.
- (4) The appropriate national authority—
- (a) may cause an inquiry to be held in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part or the variation of such a scheme, and
 - (b) may appoint the person or persons by whom such an inquiry is to be held.
- (5) In the case of a joint local-London licensing scheme—
- (a) the Greater London Authority may, at any time before an order making, varying or revoking the licensing scheme is confirmed by that Authority, consult other persons, or require the licensing authorities to consult other persons, about the licensing scheme, variation or revocation, and
 - (b) the Secretary of State shall not cause an inquiry to be held in relation to the licensing scheme, or the variation of the licensing scheme, or appoint the person or persons by whom such an inquiry is to be held, without the consent of the Greater London Authority.
- (6) Subsections (2) and (3) of section 250 of the ^{M11}Local Government Act 1972 (witnesses at local inquiries) apply in relation to any inquiry held by virtue of this section.
- (7) Where an inquiry is held by virtue of this section in relation to a licensing scheme or the variation or revocation of such a scheme—
- (a) the costs of the inquiry shall be paid by the licensing authority or authorities, and
 - (b) the parties at the inquiry shall bear their own costs.

Commencement Information

I23 S. 185 partly in force; s. 185 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 185 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 185 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

Marginal Citations

M11 1972 c. 70.

Contents of licensing schemes and licences

186 Matters to be dealt with in licensing schemes.

- (1) A licensing scheme under this Part must—
- (a) designate the area covered by the licensing scheme (“the licensing area”),
 - (b) state the days on which, and hours during which, a licence is required,
 - (c) specify the charges payable on licences (expressed as a specified sum of money for each licensed unit), and

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- (d) state whether or not the licensing scheme is to remain in force indefinitely and, if it is not to remain in force indefinitely, the period for which it is to remain in force.
- (2) Subject to sections 179 to 181 and to any modifications made by virtue of section 184, the designation by a licensing scheme under this Part of the boundaries of the licensing area shall be such as the licensing authority or authorities may determine.
- (3) The charges that may be imposed by a licensing scheme under this Part include different charges (which may be no charge) for different cases, including (in particular)
 - (a) different days,
 - (b) different times of day,
 - (c) different parts of the licensing area,
 - (d) different classes of motor vehicles, and
 - (e) different numbers of licensed units.
- (4) In setting the charges imposed by a licensing scheme under this Part, regard may be had to the purposes for which any of the net proceeds of the licensing scheme may be applied (in accordance with Schedule 12).
- (5) A licensing scheme may include provision for or in connection with—
 - (a) the making of an application for a licence,
 - (b) the grant of a licence,
 - (c) the issue of a licence, and
 - (d) the variation or revocation of a licence.

Commencement Information

I24 S. 186 partly in force; s. 186 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 186 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 186 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

187 Licensing schemes: exemptions etc.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may make regulations requiring licensing schemes under this Part to contain provision for or in connection with—
 - (a) exemptions from licensing,
 - (b) the application of reduced rates of charges payable on licences, or
 - (c) the imposition of limits on the charges payable on a licence.
- (2) Subject to regulations under subsection (1) and to section 184(1) and (3), a licensing scheme under this Part may contain provision of any of the descriptions specified in that subsection.
- (3) The same premises shall not be subject to more than one licensing scheme under this Part, or to such a licensing scheme and a scheme under Schedule 24 to the ^{M12}Greater London Authority Act 1999, at the same time.
- (4) In subsection (1) the reference to exemptions from licensing includes (as well as exemptions in respect of any description of premises, persons or motor vehicles) exemption of a specified number of parking places provided at any premises from

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being workplace parking places, either generally or in the case of any description of premises, persons or motor vehicles.

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I25 S. 187 partly in force; s. 187 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 187 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 187(1) wholly in force and s. 187(2)-(4) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 paras. 15, 16](#)

Marginal Citations

M12 1999 c. 29.

188 Licences.

- (1) A licence must—
 - (a) state the name of the person to whom it is granted,
 - (b) identify the premises to which it relates,
 - (c) specify the maximum number of motor vehicles (not counting exempt vehicles) which may be parked at those premises at any one time, and
 - (d) state the amount of the charge paid on the licence and set out the calculation of that amount.
- (2) A licence may be granted subject to conditions.
- (3) A licence may not be granted for a period of more than one year.
- (4) A person commits an offence if he intentionally provides false or misleading information in or in connection with an application for a licence.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.

Commencement Information

I26 S. 188 partly in force; s. 188 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 188 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 188 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

Enforcement of licensing schemes

189 Penalty charges.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision for or in connection with the imposition and payment of charges (“licensing scheme penalty charges”) in respect of acts, omissions, events or circumstances relating to or connected with licensing schemes under this Part.

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- (2) The regulations may include provision for or in connection with setting the rates of licensing scheme penalty charges (which may include provision for discounts or surcharges).
- (3) Licensing scheme penalty charges in respect of any premises shall be paid—
 - (a) by the occupier of the premises, or
 - (b) in circumstances specified in regulations made by the appropriate national authority, by such person as is so specified.
- (4) The Lord Chancellor may make regulations about the notification, adjudication and enforcement of licensing scheme penalty charges.

Commencement Information

I27 S. 189 partly in force; s. 189 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 189 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 189(1)(2)(3)(b)(4) wholly in force and s. 189(3)(a) in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1](#), paras. 15, 16

190 Rights of entry.

- (1) Where a person duly authorised in writing by the licensing authority, or any of the licensing authorities, in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part has reason to believe that workplace parking places are being provided at any premises in the licensing area, he may at any reasonable time enter the premises for ascertaining—
 - (a) whether any workplace parking places are being provided at the premises without a licence or a licence covering all the workplace parking places being provided, or
 - (b) whether there is or has been any contravention of the conditions of a licence in respect of the premises.
- (2) A person duly authorised in writing by the licensing authority, or any of the licensing authorities, in relation to a licensing scheme under this Part may at any reasonable time enter any premises for the purpose of issuing notice of a licensing scheme penalty charge.
- (3) A person authorised under subsection (1) or (2) to enter any premises shall, if so required, produce evidence of his authority before so entering.
- (4) A person commits an offence if he intentionally obstructs a person exercising any power conferred on him by subsection (1) or (2).
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.
- (6) Where any land is damaged in the exercise of a right of entry conferred under subsection (1) or (2), compensation in respect of that damage may be recovered by any person interested in the land from the authority on whose behalf the entry was effected.
- (7) The provisions of section 118 of the ^{M13}Town and Country Planning Act 1990 shall apply in relation to compensation under subsection (6) as they apply in relation to compensation under Part IV of that Act.

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I28 S. 190 partly in force; s. 190 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 190 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 190 in force for specified purposes (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 16](#)

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M13 1990 c. 8.

CHAPTER III

GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY

191 Financial provisions about schemes.

Schedule 12 contains financial provisions about charging schemes and licensing schemes.

Commencement Information

I29 S. 191 partly in force; s. 191 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 191 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#))

192 Powers of authorities.

The charging authority or licensing authority, or any of the charging authorities or licensing authorities, in relation to a charging scheme or licensing scheme under this Part may—

- (a) incur expenditure in or in connection with the establishment or operation of the charging scheme or licensing scheme, or
- (b) enter into arrangements (including arrangements for forming or participating in companies) with any person in respect of the operation of the charging scheme or licensing scheme or relating to the installation or operation of any equipment used for or in connection with the operation of the charging scheme or licensing scheme.

Commencement Information

I30 S. 192 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 192 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 192 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 192 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

193 Guidance.

- (1) The appropriate national authority may issue guidance to non-metropolitan local traffic authorities^[F92], Integrated Transport Authorities^[F93], combined authorities^[F94], combined county authorities and London traffic authorities in relation to the discharge of their functions with respect to charging schemes and licensing schemes under this

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Part; and such authorities shall, in exercising those functions, have regard to any such guidance.

- (2) Before issuing guidance under this section which relates to joint local-London charging schemes^[F95], joint ITA-London charging schemes] or joint local-London licensing schemes the Secretary of State shall consult the Greater London Authority about the guidance so far as it so relates.
- (3) Guidance issued under this section shall be published in such manner as the appropriate national authority by which it is issued considers appropriate; and the appropriate national authority may at any time vary or revoke guidance issued by it under this section.

Textual Amendments

- F92** Words in s. 193(1) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(2\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)
- F93** Words in s. 193(1) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 112](#); S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F94** Words in s. 193(1) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 145](#) (with s. 247)
- F95** Words in s. 193(2) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(3\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)

Commencement Information

- I31** S. 193 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 193 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 193 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 193 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

194 Information.

- (1) Information obtained by—

- (a) any Minister of the Crown or government department,
- (b) the National Assembly for Wales, or
- (c) any local authority or other statutory body,

may be disclosed to [^{F96}a traffic authority or Integrated Transport Authority]^[F97], Integrated Transport Authority [^{F98}, combined authority or combined county authority]] for or in connection with the performance or proposed performance of any of their functions under this Part or with respect to a relevant scheme or proposed relevant scheme].

- ^[F99](2) Information obtained by a traffic authority or Integrated Transport Authority^[F100], Integrated Transport Authority [^{F101}, combined authority or combined county authority]] for or in connection with any of their functions other than functions under this Part may be used by them for or in connection with the performance or proposed performance of any of their functions under this Part or with respect to a relevant scheme or proposed relevant scheme.]

- (3) Any information—

- (a) which has been or could be disclosed to an authority under subsection (1) for or in connection with the exercise of any of their functions with respect to [^{F102}a] charging scheme or licensing scheme, or

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- (b) which has been or could be used by an authority by virtue of subsection (2) for or in connection with the exercise of any of those functions,
may be disclosed to any person with whom the authority has entered into arrangements under section 192(b).
- (4) Information disclosed to a person under subsection (3)—
 - (a) may be disclosed to any other person for or in connection with the charging scheme or licensing scheme, but
 - (b) may not be used (by him or any other person to whom it is disclosed under paragraph (a)) otherwise than for or in connection with the charging scheme or licensing scheme.
- [^{F103}(5) The Secretary of State or the Welsh Ministers may charge a reasonable fee in respect of the cost of supplying information under subsection (1) or (3).
- (6) Where a traffic authority or Integrated Transport Authority[^{F104}, Integrated Transport Authority [^{F105}, combined authority or combined county authority]] asks the Secretary of State to obtain overseas registration information from an overseas registration authority with a view to the Secretary of State disclosing that information under subsection (1) or (3), the Secretary of State may charge a reasonable fee in respect of the cost of obtaining, or seeking to obtain, the information.
- (7) In this section—
 - “overseas registration authority” means any authority of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom with responsibility under the law of that country or territory for maintaining a register of vehicles;
 - “overseas registration information” means information derived from particulars contained in a register of vehicles that is maintained by an overseas registration authority;
 - “relevant scheme” means a charging scheme or licensing scheme under this Part.]

Textual Amendments

- F96** Words in s. 194(1) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 118\(2\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(s)
- F97** Words in s. 194(1) substituted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 113](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F98** Words in s. 194(1) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 146](#) (with s. 247)
- F99** S. 194(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 118\(3\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(s)
- F100** Words in s. 194(2) substituted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 113](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)
- F101** Words in s. 194(2) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 146](#) (with s. 247)
- F102** Word in s. 194(3) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 118\(4\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(s)
- F103** S. 194(5)-(7) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), [ss. 118\(5\)](#), 134(4); [S.I. 2009/107](#), art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; [S.I. 2009/579](#), art. 2(s)
- F104** Words in s. 194(6) substituted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 113](#); [S.I. 2009/3318](#), art. 2(c)

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F105 Words in s. 194(6) substituted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 146](#) (with s. 247)

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I32 S. 194 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 194 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 194 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 194 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

195 Determination of disputes, appeals and evidence.

- (1) The Lord Chancellor may by regulations make provision for or in connection with—
 - (a) appeals against decisions relating to licences under licensing schemes under this Part or any failure to make such a decision,
 - (b) the determination of disputes relating to charging schemes or licensing schemes under this Part,
 - (c) appeals against such determinations or any failure to make such a determination, and
 - (d) the appointment of persons to hear any such appeals.
- (2) The Lord Chancellor may by regulations make provision for or in connection with permitting evidence of a fact relevant to proceedings for an offence under this Part, or proceedings in respect of a failure to comply with the provisions of a charging scheme or licensing scheme under this Part, to be given by the production of—
 - (a) a record produced by a device specified in, or determined in accordance with, the regulations, and
 - (b) a certificate (whether in the same or another document) as to the circumstances in which the record was produced signed by a person so specified or determined.

Commencement Information

I33 S. 195 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 195 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 195 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 195 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

196 Crown application.

- (1) Chapter I applies in relation to Crown roads (within the meaning of section 131 of the ^{M14}Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984) as in relation to other roads.
- (2) The provisions of this Part and of regulations and schemes under it bind the Crown.
- (3) No contravention by the Crown of any of those provisions makes the Crown criminally liable; but—
 - (a) the High Court may, on the application of a charging authority, declare unlawful any act or omission of the Crown which constitutes such a contravention, and
 - (b) (subject to subsection (4)) those provisions apply to motor vehicles or persons in the public service of the Crown as they apply to other motor vehicles or persons.

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- (4) No power of entry conferred by—
- (a) regulations made under section 174(2), or
 - (b) section 190(1) or (2),
- is exercisable in relation to any motor vehicle in the public service of the Crown or any premises held or used by or on behalf of the Crown.
- (5) Nothing in this section affects Her Majesty in her private capacity; and this subsection shall be construed as if section 38(3) of the ^{M15}Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (interpretation of references in that Act to Her Majesty in her private capacity) were contained in this Act.

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I34 S. 196 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 196 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 196 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 196 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

Marginal Citations

M14 1984 c. 27.
M15 1947 c. 44.

197 Part III: regulations and orders.

- (1) Any power to make regulations under this Part—
- (a) is exercisable by statutory instrument,
 - (b) includes power to make different provision for different cases, and
 - (c) may be exercised so as to make incidental, consequential, supplementary or transitional provision or savings.
- (2) The power to make an order making, varying or revoking a trunk road charging scheme is exercisable by statutory instrument.
- (3) Regulations under paragraph ^{F106}... [^{F107}13(5)] of Schedule 12 shall not be made without the consent of the Treasury.
- (4) Regulations shall not be made by the Secretary of State under—
- (a) section 182(5), or
 - (b) paragraph ^{F108}... [^{F109}13(5)] of Schedule 12,
- unless a draft of the regulations has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, the House of Commons.
- (5) A statutory instrument containing regulations made by the Secretary of State or the Lord Chancellor under any other provision of this Part shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (6) The references in subsections (4) and (5) to regulations made by the Secretary of State include regulations made by him jointly with the National Assembly for Wales.

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Textual Amendments

- F106** Words in s. 197(3) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 6 para. 8\(2\)\(a\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 5](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(t)
- F107** Word in s. 197(3) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 6 para. 8\(2\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(t)
- F108** Words in s. 197(4)(b) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 6 para. 8\(2\)\(a\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 5](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(t)
- F109** Word in s. 197(4)(b) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 134(4), [Sch. 6 para. 8\(2\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), [Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(t)

Commencement Information

- I35** S. 197 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 197 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 197 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 197 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

198 Interpretation of Part III.

(1) In this Part—

“the appropriate national authority” means—

- (a) the Secretary of State in relation to charging schemes and licensing schemes relating only to England,
- (b) the National Assembly for Wales in relation to charging schemes and licensing relating only to Wales, and
- (c) the Secretary of State and the National Assembly for Wales, acting jointly, in relation to charging schemes and licensing schemes relating to both England and Wales,

“bridge” means a bridge or viaduct and includes the abutments of a bridge,

“charging authority” and “charging authorities” have the meanings given by section 163(5),

“charging scheme” has the meaning given by section 163(1),

“charging scheme penalty charges” shall be construed in accordance with section 173(1),

[^{F110}“combined authority” has the meaning given by section 163(5A),]

[^{F111}“combined county authority” has the meaning given by section 163(5B);]

[^{F112}“eligible local traffic authority” has the meaning given by section 163(4A),]

“exempt vehicle”, in relation to a licensing scheme, means a motor vehicle exempt from licensing under the scheme by virtue of regulations under subsection (1) of section 187 or provision included in the scheme by virtue of subsection (2) of that section,

“financial year” means a period of twelve months ending with 31st March,

“joint local charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(b),

[^{F112}“joint local-ITA charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(bb),]

[^{F112}“joint ITA-London charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(cc),]

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“joint local licensing scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 178(5)(b),

“joint local-London charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(c),

“joint local-London licensing scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 178(5)(c),

“licence” shall be construed in accordance with section 178(3),

“licensed unit” has the meaning given by section 178(4),

“licensing area” shall be construed in accordance with section 186(1)(a),

“licensing authority” and “licensing authorities” have the meanings given by section 178(6),

“licensing scheme” has the meaning given by section 178(1),

“licensing scheme penalty charges” shall be construed in accordance with section 189(1),

“local charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(a),

“local licensing scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 178(5)(a),

“local traffic authority” has the same meaning as in the ^{M16}Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984,

[^{F113}“local transport policies” has the meaning given in section 108(5),]

“London traffic authority” means Transport for London, a London borough council or the Common Council of the City of London,

“motor vehicle” has the meaning given in section 185(1) of the ^{M17}Road Traffic Act 1988, except that section 189 of that Act (exception for certain pedestrian controlled vehicles and electrically assisted pedal cycles) shall apply as it applies for the purposes of the Road Traffic Acts,

“non-metropolitan local traffic authority” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(4),

“operation” includes enforcement (related expressions being construed accordingly),

“registered keeper”, in relation to a charge imposed in respect of motor vehicle, means the person in whose name the vehicle was registered under the ^{M18}Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994 at the time of the act, omission, event or circumstances in respect of which the charge is imposed,

“road” has the same meaning as in the ^{M19}Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984,

“trunk road charging scheme” shall be construed in accordance with section 163(3)(d), and

“workplace parking place” shall be construed in accordance with section 182.

- (2) Any reference in this Part to an authority’s [^{F114}local transport policies] shall, where the authority is the council of a metropolitan district, be construed as a reference to [^{F115}the local transport policies of][^{F116}the Integrated Transport Authority for the integrated transport area] in which the district is included ^{F117}....
- (3) Any reference in this Part to a class of motor vehicles is a reference to a class defined or described, by reference to any characteristics of the motor vehicles or to any other circumstances whatsoever, in regulations made by the appropriate national authority.

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Textual Amendments

- F110** Words in s. 198(1) inserted (17.12.2009) by [Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009](#) (c. 20), s. 148(6), [Sch. 6 para. 114](#); S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- F111** Words in s. 198(1) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023](#) (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 147](#) (with s. 247)
- F112** Words in s. 198(1) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), s. 134(4), [Sch. 5 para. 9](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(k)
- F113** Words in s. 198(1) inserted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), [ss. 7\(4\), 134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(a)
- F114** Words in s. 198(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), [ss. 12\(6\)\(a\), 134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 3); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(b)
- F115** Words in s. 198(2) substituted (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), [ss. 12\(6\)\(b\), 134\(4\)](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 2 para. 3); S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(b)
- F116** Words in s. 198(2) substituted (9.2.2009) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), s. 134(4), [Sch. 4 para. 47](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 Pt. 1
- F117** Words in s. 198(2) repealed (9.2.2009 for E., 1.4.2009 for W.) by [Local Transport Act 2008](#) (c. 26), [ss. 12\(6\)\(c\), 134\(4\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2009/107, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Pt. 1; S.I. 2009/579, art. 2(b)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C12** S. 198 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2005) by [The Local Authorities' Plans and Strategies \(Disapplication\) \(England\) Order 2005](#) (S.I. 2005/157), art. 1, [Sch. 2 para. 16](#) (with art. 7(4))

Commencement Information

- I36** S. 198 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 198 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 198 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 198 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

Marginal Citations

- M16** 1984 c. 27.
M17 1988 c. 52.
M18 1994 c. 22.
M19 1984 c. 27.

199 Amendments of Greater London Authority Act.

Schedule 13 contains amendments of Schedules 23 and 24 to the ^{M20}Greater London Authority Act 1999 in consequence of the provisions of this Part and minor amendments of those Schedules.

Commencement Information

- I37** S. 199 partly in force; s. 199 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 199 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#))

Marginal Citations

- M20** 1999 c. 29.

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200 Exemption from local non-domestic rating.

In Schedule 5 to the ^{M21}Local Government Finance Act 1988 (local non-domestic rating: exemptions), after paragraph 18A insert—

Property used for road user charging schemes

“18B (1) A hereditament which is occupied (as mentioned in section 65 of this Act) is exempt to the extent that—

- (a) it consists of a road in respect of which charges are imposed by a charging scheme under Schedule 23 to the ^{M22}Greater London Authority Act 1999 or Part III of the Transport Act 2000, or
- (b) it is used solely for or in connection with the operation of such a scheme.

(2) But office buildings are not exempt under sub-paragraph (1)(b) above.”

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I38 S. 200 wholly in force at 1.8.2001; s. 200 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 275(1)(2); s. 200 in force (E.) at 1.2.2001 by [S.I. 2001/57](#), art. 3(2), [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (subject to the savings in [Sch. 3 Pt. II](#)); s. 200 in force (W.) at 1.8.2001 by [S.I. 2001/2788](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1 para. 17](#)

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M21 [1988 c. 41](#).

M22 [1999 c. 29](#).

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

- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

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

- s. 146(1)(defn.)(a)(b) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 2](#)
- s. 19(2)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2019/93, Sch. 1 para. 9(1C)(b) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2019/1245 reg. 25](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 131A(2)(a) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 131A(2)(b) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 131A(4) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(b\)](#)
- s. 131A(5)(b) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 131A(5)(c) words omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 13\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 132B(1)(a) omitted by [2017 c. 21 Sch. 2 para. 19](#)
- Sch. 16 para. 34(4)(a)para. 34(4)(b)(c) repealed by [2005 c. 14 Sch. 13 Pt. 1](#)