STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 668

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1967

Made	26th April 1967
Laid before Parliament	3rd May 1967
Coming into Operation	18th May 1967

The Minister of Transport in exercise of her powers under sections 16 and 23 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962(a), and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

- 1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 18th May 1967, and may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1967.
- (2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 2. The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1964(c) shall have effect as though:—

(a) for Regulation 4 there were substituted the following Regulation:—

"Application for licences

- 4.—(1) A person who keeps a mechanically propelled vehicle and who desires to obtain a licence for it under the Act may apply for it to:—
 - (a) the council with which the vehicle is registered;

(b) where he has not previously obtained, or had delivered to him in accordance with Regulation 15(1) of these Regulations, a licence in respect of the vehicle, the council in whose area the vehicle will ordinarily be kept or is at the time of the application:

Provided that where the keeper of a mechanically propelled vehicle satisfies the council of the area in which he declares a place of his business to be situated that the vehicle is not ordinarily kept in any one area, application for a licence for the vehicle may be made to that council; or

- (c) where a licence has previously been issued in respect of the vehicle, any post office authorised for the time being to issue licences for that description of vehicle by the Postmaster-General within the area of the council with which the vehicle is registered, if the following conditions are satisfied:—
 - (i) the application is for a licence of the same duration as the last licence previously issued in respect of the vehicle;
- (ii) such last licence is delivered up to the post office with the application;
- (iii) a current certificate of insurance issued in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) Regulations 1961(d) in relation to the vehicle is produced;

- (iv) if there has been a change of ownership or address since the date on which such last licence was issued, the appropriate council have made such a record in the registration book as is required by Regulation 16 or 17 (as the case may be) of these Regulations; and
- (v) no alteration has been made to the vehicle since that date and there has been no change in the use thereof so as in either case to bring the vehicle within a class or description which is one in relation to which duty payable under the Act falls to be determined and which is different from the class or description in relation to which duty on the vehicle was last paid, or to render payable under the Act duty at a rate different from the rate at which duty was last paid.
- (2) A person who keeps a mechanically propelled vehicle may apply for a licence for it under the Act, not more than 14 days before the licence is to have effect, and, in the case of an application to a post office, not more than 14 days after the expiry of the last licence previously issued in respect of the vehicle.";
- (b) in Regulation 15(2)(b) there were inserted the words "in writing" after the word "notify";
- (c) in Regulation 15(2)(c) there were inserted the words "in writing" after the word "notify"; and
- (d) in Regulation 19(2) there were deleted the words "the council of a metropolitan borough".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 26th April 1967.

(L.S.)

Barbara Castle,
The Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

The Regulations amend the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1964, making the following changes:—

- (a) applications for new licences for motor vehicles may only be made to post offices authorised for the time being to issue licences for that description of vehicle by the Postmaster-General (Regulation 2(a));
- (b) when an application for a new licence for a motor vehicle is made to a post office the registration book of the vehicle need not have a vacant space in which to record the issue of the licence (Regulation 2(a));
- (c) applications for a new licence for a motor vehicle to a council should be made not more than 14 days before the licence is to have effect (Regulation 2(a));
- (d) the notifications required to be made by a new owner upon the acquisition of a motor vehicle should be made in writing (Regulation 2(b) and (c));
- (e) the reference to "the council of a metropolitan borough" is deleted from Regulation 19(2) (Regulation 2(d)).