
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 1374

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Traffic Acts 1960 and 1972, and Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 (Metrication) (No.2) Regulations 1981

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>7th September 1981</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>5th October 1981</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>1st November 1981</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, being a Minister designated⁽¹⁾ for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 in relation to the type, description, construction or equipment of vehicles, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic Acts 1960 and 1972, and Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 (Metrication) (No.2) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st November 1981.

2. For the words expressing imperial units of measurement specified in column (2) of the Schedule to these Regulations in the sections in the Road Traffic Act 1960, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967, and the Road Traffic Act 1972⁽²⁾ specified in column (1) of that Schedule there are substituted the words expressing metric units of measurement specified in column (3) of that Schedule.

7th September 1981

Norman Fowler
Secretary of State for Transport

(1) S.I. 1972/1811.

(2) Section 36A of which Act was inserted by Section 2 of the Heavy Commercial Vehicles (Controls and Regulations) Act 1973 (c.44).

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<i>(1)</i> <i>Sections of Acts</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Words expressing imperial units of measurements</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Words expressing metric units of measurement</i>
Road Traffic Act 1960		
section 253(2)(b)	sixty degrees Fahrenheit	17.5 degrees Celsius
	thirty inches of mercury	1.013 bar
Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967		
section 99(2)(b)	sixty degrees Fahrenheit	17.5 degrees Celsius
	thirty inches of mercury	1.013 bar
Road Traffic Act 1972		
section 36A(5)	three tons	3050 kilograms
section 36A(6)(b)	three tons	3050 kilograms
section 36A(8)	three tons	3050 kilograms
section 190(2)(b)	60° Fahrenheit	17.5 degrees Celsius
	30 inches of mercury	1.013 bar

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In order to fulfil obligations arising from Council Directive [80/181/EEC](#) of 20th December 1979 on the approximation of laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement, these Regulations, which are made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, metricate the units of measurement in the sections of the Road Traffic Acts 1960 and 1972, and the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 which are specified in the Schedule to these Regulations as indicated in that Schedule.