

EXPLANATORY NOTE

1. These Regulations amend the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) Regulations 1981.
2. As a result of these amending Regulations:—
 - (a) a school bus belonging to a local education authority will, whether it is being used wholly or partly to provide free school transport or whether it is being used to provide a local bus service, be exempt from Part III (Regulations relating to the equipment of public service vehicles) and Part IV (Regulations relating to the use of public service vehicles) of the main Regulations; and
 - (b) a school bus not belonging to a local education authority will, at any time while it is being used to provide free school transport to carry as the only fare-paying passengers pupils other than those for whom the free school transport is provided, be exempt from Regulation 43 (carriage of conductor) of the main Regulations.