
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1986 No. 1385

The Transport Act 1985 (Extension of Eligibility for Travel Concessions) Order 1986

Extension of eligible classes in England and Wales

3.—(1) In England and Wales the following classes of persons are hereby specified as eligible persons, namely—

- (a) persons who are suffering from mental handicap or severe mental handicap;
- (b) persons to whom the Secretary of State has refused to grant driving licences or whose driving licences have been revoked by the Secretary of State, in each case pursuant to section 87 of the 1972 Act⁽¹⁾;
- (c) persons who are deaf or dumb;
- (d) persons who are partially sighted, that is to say, persons whose sight is impaired to such an extent that they cannot reasonably accurately estimate the size and speed of movement of vehicular traffic;
- (e) persons who are without the use of both arms, whether by reason of the absence of those limbs or otherwise; and
- (f) specified companions of any eligible persons who, in the opinion of the authority or any of the authorities responsible for the administration of the travel concession scheme in question, are so severely disabled or handicapped as to require the assistance of a companion in order to be able to travel on public transport.

(2) A specified companion is only eligible to receive travel concessions when travelling with the eligible person in relation to whom he or she is a specified companion.

(3) In this article, “specified companion” means a person who is identified by an eligible person (who is such otherwise than by reason of being a specified companion) as that person's specified companion for the purpose of enabling him or her to make a particular journey on public transport, and only one person may be so identified in relation to each such journey made by the eligible person.

⁽¹⁾ Section 87 was amended by the Road Traffic Act 1974 (c. 50), section 13 and Schedule 3, paragraph 2.