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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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1986 No. 1597

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use)  
(Amendment) Regulations 1986**

*Made* - - - - - 15th September 1986  
*Laid before Parliament* 19th September 1986  
*Coming into Operation* 10th October 1986

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 40(1) and (3) and 41(3) of the Road Traffic Act 1972(a), now vested in him(b), and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 199(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations 1986 and shall come into operation on 10th October 1986.

2. The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(c) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

3. The Secretary of State is satisfied that—

- (a) it is requisite that the provisions of regulation 4 of these Regulations (being provisions which vary the requirements as regards the construction of certain classes of vehicles) shall apply as from 1st May 1987 to vehicles registered under the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971(d) before the expiration of one year from the making of these Regulations; and
- (b) notwithstanding that the said provisions will then apply to those vehicles, no undue hardship or inconvenience will be caused thereby.

4. For the definition of “the British Standard Specification” in regulation 64(4) there shall be substituted the following definitions—

““the British Standard Specification” means—

- (a) in relation to a containment device fitted before 1st May 1987, Part 1a of the amended Specification and Part 2 of the original Specification; and
- (b) in relation to a containment device fitted on or after 1st May 1987, Part 1a and Part 2a of the amended Specification;

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(a) 1972 c. 20.  
(c) S.I. 1986/1078.

(b) S.I. 1979/571 and 1981/238.  
(d) 1971 c. 10.

“the original Specification” means the British Standard Specification for Spray Reducing Devices for Heavy Goods Vehicles published under the reference BS AU 200: Part 1: 1984 and BS AU 200: Part 2: 1984;

“the amended Specification” means the original Specification as amended and published under the reference BS AU 200: Part 1a: 1986 and BS AU 200: Part 2a: 1986;

“containment device” means any device so described in the original Specification or the amended Specification;”.

*John Moore,*  
Secretary of State for Transport.

15th September 1986.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations insert an amended definition into regulation 64 in consequence of an amendment to the British Standard Specification defined in that regulation. The effect is to change the technical requirements for spray containment devices fitted to certain categories of vehicles. The Secretary of State is satisfied that it is appropriate to exercise the power given by section 41(3) of the Road Traffic Act 1972 so that the amendment shall apply to vehicles within those categories first registered before the expiration of one year from the making of those Regulations.

Copies of the British Standards referred to in those Regulations are available from the British Standards Institution at Linford Wood, Milton Keynes MK14 6LE (Telephone number: Milton Keynes (STD 0908)320066).