STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Removal and Disposal of Vehicles (Loading Areas) Regulations 1986

PART II

REMOVAL OF VEHICLES

Power to require the removal of vehicles from loading areas

3.—(1) This regulation applies to a vehicle which is in any part of a loading area while the parking of it in that part is prohibited by virtue of section 61 of the 1984 Act.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) below, an officer of the local authority, duly authorised in writing by that authority, may require the owner, driver or other person in control or in charge of any vehicle to which this regulation applies to move it or cause it to be removed, and any such requirement may include a requirement that the vehicle shall be moved from the part of the loading area where it is to some other part of that loading area, or to a place on a highway, or to some other place which is not on a highway (being a place where the vehicle can be lawfully parked).

(3) When making any requirement under paragraph (2) above an officer of the local authority, if requested so to do by the owner, driver or other person in control or in charge of the vehicle, shall produce evidence of his authorisation.

- (4) In this regulation and in regulation 4 below "the local authority" means
 - (a) in Greater London, the Council of the London borough or, as the case may be, the Common Council of the City,
 - (b) elsewhere in England, or in Wales, the council of the district in whose area is situated the part of the loading area where the vehicle in question is while parking is prohibited as mentioned in paragraph (1) above.

Power to remove vehicles

- 4.—(1) Where, in the case of a vehicle to which regulation 3 above applies—
 - (a) the owner, driver or other person in control or in charge of the vehicle refuses or fails to comply with a requirement, made under that regulation by a duly authorised officer of the local authority, to move it or cause it to be moved, or
 - (b) no person who is in control or in charge of the vehicle and who is capable of moving it or causing it to be moved is present on or in the vicinity of the vehicle,

an officer of the local authority (who need not be the officer who has made any requirement as respects the vehicle under regulation 3 above) may move or arrange for the removal of the vehicle to another part of the loading area, or may remove it or arrange for its removal from the loading area to some other place which is not on a highway.

(2) Any person removing or moving a vehicle under this regulation may do so by towing or driving the vehicle or in such other manner as he may think necessary, and may take such measures in relation to the vehicle as he may think necessary to enable him to remove or move it as aforesaid.