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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1987 No. 2124**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing)  
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>8th December 1987</i>
<i>Laid</i>	- - - -	<i>11th December 1987</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st January 1988</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 16 and 34 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act (Northern Ireland) 1972(1), now vested in him(2), and of all other enabling powers, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 and shall come into force on 1st January 1988.

**Amendment of Regulations**

2. The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(3) shall be further amended in accordance with these Regulations.

3. In regulation 29(1)(a), the words from “and all recovery vehicles” to “business” shall be omitted.

4. In regulation 36 —

- (a) in paragraph (3) the words “or a recovery vehicle” to “business” shall be omitted, and
- (b) sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 4 shall be omitted.

5. In regulation 39(1), sub-paragraph (b) shall be omitted.

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(1) 1972 c. 10(N.I.); section 16 was amended by the Finance Act 1987 (c. 16), Schedule 1, Part II, paragraph 6.  
(2) S.I. 1973/2163.  
(3) S.R. & O. (N. I.) 1973 No.490; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1986/2102.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

8th December 1987

*Peter Bottomley*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department of Transport

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

1. These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 in consequence of the Finance Act 1987.
2. Section 2 of the Finance Act 1987 amended the Vehicles (Excise) Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 for the purpose of establishing recovery vehicles as a class of vehicles chargeable with a specific duty of excise.
3. Previously, under section 16 of the 1972 Act a motor trader could take out a trade licence for all recovery vehicles kept by him for the purpose of dealing with disabled vehicles in the course of that business. As a result of the amendments made by the 1987 Act trade licences can no longer be taken out for a recovery vehicle kept for that purpose.
4. Part V of the Principal Regulations deals with trade licences. The amendments remove from Part V the provisions relating to recovery vehicles.