STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1989 No. 968 (S.94)

ROADS AND BRIDGES, SCOTLAND

The Erskine Bridge Tolls Order 1989

Made - - - - 7th June 1989
Laid before Parliament 20th June 1989
Coming into force - - 1st August 1989

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 2 as read with section 15(1) of the Erskine Bridge Tolls Act 1968(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and having complied with the provisions of section 3 of the said Act, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Erskine Bridge Tolls Order 1989 and shall come into force on 1st August 1989.

Interpretation

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:—

"the Act" means the Erskine Bridge Tolls Act 1968;

"the 1981 Order" means the Erskine Bridge Tolls Order 1981(2);

"the specified roads" has the meaning given in section 1(3) of the Act;

"Class I", "Class II", and "Class IV" have the meanings respectively given in Schedule 3 to the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984(3).

Vehicles in respect of which tolls are to be levied

3. Subject to article 6 of this Order, every vehicle of Class I, Class II or Class IV using any part of the specified roads shall be a vehicle in respect of which a toll is to be levied under the Act.

^{(1) 1968} c. 4.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1981/1375.

^{(3) 1984} c. 54.

Amount of toll

4. The toll to be levied for each occasion on which any vehicle described in article 3 hereof uses any part of the specified roads shall be 40p.

Compounding in advance for payment of tolls

- **5.**—(1) Any person may compound in advance for payment of tolls to be levied under the Act.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall issue books consisting of 50 prepaid vouchers in respect of such compounding for payment.

Vehicles exempt from payment of tolls

6. Any vehicle of any of the descriptions specified in the Schedule, which would otherwise be a vehicle in respect of which a toll is to be levied as set out in article 3 above, shall be exempted from the payment of toll.

Revocation

7. The 1981 Order is hereby revoked.

St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh 7th June 1989 James Douglas-Hamilton
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish
Office

SCHEDULE Article 6

DESCRIPTIONS OF VEHICLES EXEMPTED FROM PAYMENT OF TOLLS

- 1. Any vehicle belonging to a fire authority and being used in the discharge of the functions of such authority under the Fire Service Acts 1947 to 1959(4).
- **2.** Any vehicle belonging to, and being used for the purposes of, a police authority, and any other vehicle being used by a police officer acting in the execution of his duty.
- **3.** Any ambulance or other means of transport provided under section 45 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978(5).
- **4.** Those vehicles, not at any one time exceeding five in number, belonging to the Princess Louise Scottish Hospital for Limbless Sailors and Soldiers, Erskine in respect of which the Secretary of State has issued a written authorisation exempting them from payment.
- **5.** Any vehicle being used in connection with the levying of tolls, or with the inspection, maintenance, repair, renewal, or improvement of, or the provision of additions to, the specified roads (including any part of them and any structure, works or apparatus in, on, under or over them).
- **6.** Any northbound vehicle which, as a direct result of having broken down on the specified roads, thereupon re-enters those roads travelling southwards but not under its own power.
- 7. Any vehicle fitted with controls enabling it to be driven by a person having a particular disability and which, in accordance with section 7(2) of the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971(6), is not charged with any duty under that Act.
- **8.** Any vehicle displaying a badge issued by a local authority in exercise of its powers under section 21 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970(7) and conveying, either as driver or passenger, the disabled person in respect of whom such badge was issued.
- **9.** Any motor bicycle or motor scooter with or without sidecar, and any power assisted bicycle or tricycle.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order prescribes the toll to be levied for vehicles using the bridge across the River Clyde at Erskine, exempts certain vehicles from payment of the toll, and permits any person to pay the toll in advance by the purchase of prepaid vouchers in multiples of 50. Offences relating to the non-payment of tolls which are due and to fraud connected with the payment of tolls are set out in sections 11(a) and 11(b) of the Erskine Bridge Tolls Act 1968.

^{(4) 1947} c. 41; 1951 c. 27; 1959 c. 44.

^{(5) 1978} c. 29.

^{(6) 1971} c. 10; section 7(2) was substituted by section 8(1) of the Finance Act 1978 (c. 42) and was amended by section 4(6) of the Finance Act 1980 (c. 48) and by section 5(2) of the Finance Act 1984 (c. 43).

^{(7) 1970} c. 44; section 21 was amended by the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70), Schedule 30, by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (c. 65), Schedule 14, paragraph 81, by the Transport Act 1982 (c. 49), section 68, by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (c. 27), Schedule 13, paragraph 11 and by the Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51), Schedule 5, paragraph 1

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