STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 1370

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Motor Vehicles (Off Road Events) Regulations 1992

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The Secretary of State for Transport, as respects England, the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, and the Secretary of State for Scotland, as respects Scotland, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 13A of the Road Traffic Act 1988(1) and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 195(2) of that Act, hereby make the following Regulations:—

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Off Road Events) Regulations 1992 and shall come into force on 1st July 1992.

Authorising Bodies

2. The following bodies are authorising bodies for the purposes of these Regulations, namely:—
Amateur Motor Cycle Association Limited;

Association of Rover Clubs Limited;

the Auto-Club Union;

the British Schoolboy Motorcycle Association;

the International Organisation of Professional Drivers Limited;

the National Autograss Sport Association Limited;

NORA 92 Limited;

National Traction Engine Trust;

the Royal Automobile Club;

Scottish Auto Cycle Union Limited; and

^{(1) 1988} c. 52; section 13A is prospectively inserted by section 5 of the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c. 40). Section 5 of the 1991 Act comes into force on 1st July 1992 by virtue of the Road Traffic Act 1991 (Commencement No. 4 and Transitional Provisions) Order 1992 (S.I.1992/1286).

Youth Motorcycle Sport Association (YMSA) Limited.

- **3.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) below, an authorising body may give an authorisation for a motoring event for the purposes of section 13A of the Road Traffic Act 1988 upon such conditions as it thinks fit
- (2) An authorisation for a motoring event given by an authorising body may be revoked by that body or by a person authorised by that body at any time before the event is held or while it is being held.
- (3) Every authorisation for a motoring event must include a condition that the event must not be held:—
 - (a) unless written notice of the proposal to hold the event has been delivered in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (4) below to a police station in each police area in which it is intended that the event is to be held;
 - (b) other than at the place and during the period specified in each such notice.
- (4) In order for a notice of a proposal to hold a motoring event to be delivered to a police station in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph, it must:—
 - (a) specify the name and address of the person (or of one of the persons) proposing to organise the event;
 - (b) specify the place where the event is intended to be held;
 - (c) specify the period during which the event is intended to be held stating in particular the date and time when the event is intended to begin; and
 - (d) be delivered to the police station at least 6 weeks before that date unless a shorter period is agreed by or on behalf of the chief officer of police for the police area in which the police station is situated.

Fees

- **4.**—(1) A person applying to an authorising body for an authorisation for a motoring event shall pay to that body a fee of such amount as may be determined by that body.
- (2) An authorising body may determine different fees for different classes of events and for events of the same class held in different circumstances.

Transitional

5. Regulation 3(3) shall not apply to an authorisation in so far as it authorises an event to be held during a period ending before 1st October 1992.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Kenneth Carlisle
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Transport

3rd June 1992

David Hunt Secretary of State for Wales

9th June 1992

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James Douglas-Hamilton
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish
Office

9th June 1992

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

As a result of amendments made to the Road Traffic Act 1988 by the Road Traffic Act 1991 coming into force on 1st July 1992 offences under sections 1, 2 or 3 of the 1988 Act will be capable of being committed in public places which are not roads. The offences under sections 1, 2 and 3 (as amended) will be causing death by dangerous driving, dangerous driving, and careless and inconsiderate driving.

A new section 13A will provide that a person shall not be guilty of an offence under sections 1, 2 or 3 of the 1988 Act by virtue of driving a vehicle in a public place other than a road if he shows that he was driving in accordance with an authorisation for a motoring event given under regulations.

These Regulations, amongst other things, prescribe bodies who can grant an authorisation for a motoring event; require authorisations to contain a condition that specified information concerning the event is to be given to the police; and require a person applying for an authorisation to pay a fee specified by the body concerned.

The Regulations contain a transitional provision for events held before 1st October 1992.