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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 3198**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Regulations 1996**

*Made* - - - - *18th December 1996*  
*Laid before Parliament* *19th December 1996*  
*Coming into force* - - *1st January 1997*

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 105(1) and (2)(1) and 108(1)(2) of the Road Traffic Act 1988(3), after consulting with representative organisations in accordance with section 195(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1996 and shall come into force on 1st January 1997.

2.—(1) Regulation 70 of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1996(4) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3) below.

(2) In paragraph (6)—

(a) the word “and” after the definitions of “old category” and “class included in an old category” shall be omitted; and

(b) after the definition of “new category”, there shall be inserted—

“and “section 19 permit” means a permit granted under section 19 of the Transport Act 1985”

(5).

(3) In the table at the end of the regulation, for the entry beginning “D, limited to vehicles not driven for hire or reward” there shall be substituted—

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(1) Subsection (2) was amended by the Road Traffic (Driver Licensing and Information Systems) Act 1989 (c. 22), Schedule 3, paragraph 14, by the Driving Licences (Community Driving Licence) Regulations 1990 (S.I.1990/144) and the Driving Licences (Community Driving Licence) Regulations 1996 (S.I. 1996/1974).

(2) See the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”.

(3) 1988 c. 52.

(4) S.I. 1996/2824.

(5) 1985 c. 67.

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“D, limited to vehicles not driven for hire or reward

Vehicles in category D which are either driven while being used in accordance with a section 19 permit or, if not being so used, driven otherwise than for hire or reward”.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Department of Transport  
18th December 1996

*John Bowis*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations amend regulation 70 of the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1996 which enacts transitional arrangements consequent upon the change in the classification of vehicles on 1st January 1997.

They extend the classes of vehicle which the holder of a licence authorising, on 31st December 1996, the driving of vehicles in category D otherwise than for hire or reward may drive. From 1st January 1997 the classes include vehicles in category D which are driven under a permit granted under section 19 of the Transport Act 1985 (use of buses for purposes of educational, religious and other bodies).