

1999 No. 1448

DISABLED PERSONS

TRANSPORT

**The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (LTS Rail Class 357
Vehicles) Exemption Order 1999**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>23rd May 1999</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>26th May 1999</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>18th June 1999</i>

The Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 47 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, having consulted the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and such other persons as he considered appropriate in accordance with section 47(3) of the said Act, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (LTS Rail Class 357 Vehicles) Exemption Order 1999 and shall come into force on 18th June 1999.

2. Any reference in this Order to a numbered regulation is a reference to a regulation bearing that number in the Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998(b).

3. This order applies to the rail vehicles which are numbered 67651 to 67694, 74051 to 74094, 74151 to 74194 and 67751 to 67794 inclusive and which form the multiple-units numbered 357001 to 357044 inclusive of the class known as “class 357” (‘the exempted vehicles’) as manufactured by ABB Daimler Benz Transportation (UK) Limited for use by LTS Rail Limited.

4.—(1) Subject to articles 5 and 6 below, the exempted vehicles are hereby authorised to be used for carriage even though they do not conform with those provisions of the Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998 referred to in paragraph (2) below.

(2) The provisions with which the exempted vehicles are not required to conform are regulations—

- 4(3)(b);
- 8(1) and (5); and
- 16(1)(c).

5.—(1) The exemption given in respect of regulation 4(3)(b) shall cease at the end of 31st December 2000.

(2) The exemption given in respect of regulation 8(1) shall cease at the end of 31st December 2005.

(3) The exemption given in respect of regulations 8(5) and 16(1)(c) shall cease at the end of 31st December 2001.

(a) 1995 c. 50.
(b) S.I. 1998/2456.

6.—(1) The authorisation shall cease forthwith in respect of an exempted vehicle:

- (a) which is operated by a person other than LTS Rail Limited unless the Secretary of State has been given written notice in advance specifying the name and address of that other person; or
- (b) which is operated on a route other than one specified in paragraph (2) below unless the Secretary of State has been given written notice in advance of that other route with a plan showing that route.

(2) The specified routes, including sidings on those routes, for the purpose of paragraph (1) above are between:

- (a) Fenchurch Street Station and Shoeburyness Station via Laindon Station (including Gas Factory Loop);
- (b) Barking (Tilbury Line Junction East) and Pitsea Station via Tilbury Town Station;
- (c) Upminster Station and West Thurrock Junction;
- (d) Liverpool Street Station and Forest Gate Junction via Stratford Station;
- (e) Forest Gate Junction and Woodgrange Park Junction; and
- (f) Woodgrange Park Junction and Barking (Tilbury Line Junction West).

Signed by authority of the
Secretary of State for the Environment,
Transport and the Regions

Glenda Jackson
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport
and the Regions

23rd May 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order authorises the use of specified rail vehicles forming Class 357 multiple-units although they do not conform with provisions of the Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998. It sets time limits on the authorisations and imposes conditions.

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