

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2002 No. 2742

## The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 2002

### PART III

#### REGISTRATION AND REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS

##### Registration and issue of registration document

**10.**—(1) A vehicle shall not be registered under section 21 of the 1994 Act unless a fee of [<sup>F1</sup>£55] has been paid to the Secretary of State.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a vehicle which is an exempt vehicle by virtue of paragraph 18 or 19 of Schedule 2 to the 1994 Act <sup>M1</sup>.

(3) The Secretary of State may register a vehicle in either the GB records or the NI records as he considers appropriate and may, if he thinks fit, remove the particulars of a vehicle included in one of those parts of the register and include them in the other.

(4) On registering a vehicle the Secretary of State shall issue a registration document to the keeper of the vehicle.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6) and regulation 11, the Secretary of State shall issue the registration document forthwith, except where the vehicle is registered in consequence of an application for a vehicle licence by [<sup>F2</sup>the keeper of a fleet]<sup>M2</sup>, in which case the registration document shall be issued when that person asks for it to be issued.

[<sup>F3</sup>(5A) A new registration document issued in accordance with paragraph (5) must be sent to the address of the registered keeper unless that keeper has specified another address in the request in which case it may be sent to that other address.]

(6) Before issuing a registration document to the keeper of a vehicle, the Secretary of State may require him to produce the vehicle for inspection or to produce other evidence that the vehicle accords with the particulars furnished when a vehicle or nil licence was applied for in respect of it.

(7) The Secretary of State may refuse to issue a registration document or replacement registration document for a vehicle if he is not satisfied that the vehicle accords with those particulars.

**F1** Word in reg. 10(1) substituted (1.4.2008) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2008 \(S.I. 2008/642\)](#), regs. 1, 2

**F2** Words in reg. 10(5) substituted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, 4(2)

**F3** Reg. 10(5A) inserted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, 4(3)

##### Marginal Citations

**M1** Paragraph 19 of Schedule 1 to the 1994 Act was amended by the Finance Act 1997 section 17.

**M2** Section 7(3A) of the 1994 Act was inserted by the Finance Act 1996 Schedule 2 paragraph 2(2).

**[<sup>F4</sup>Registration document**

**10A.—<sup>F5</sup>(1)** .....

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<sup>F6</sup>(1A) Paragraph (3A) applies to any vehicle registered under the 1994 Act or its predecessor legislation.]

[<sup>F7</sup>(2) A registration document issued on or after IP completion day must contain the following information, unless it is not available to the Secretary of State, and be in such form, and contain such other particulars, as the Secretary of State may specify—

- (a) the registration mark <sup>M3</sup> of the vehicle;
- (b) the name and address of the keeper <sup>M4</sup> of the vehicle;
- (c) the date of first registration of the vehicle in the United Kingdom;
- (d) the date of first registration of the vehicle in, and under the law of, a country or territory outside the United Kingdom, if applicable;
- (e) the following information about the vehicle—
  - (i) the make, type and model;
  - (ii) the engine cylinder capacity;
  - (iii) the type approval number;
  - (iv) the vehicle identification number;
  - (v) the engine number;
  - (vi) the chassis or frame number;
  - (vii) the fuel type;
  - (viii) the seating capacity;
  - (ix) the unladen weight;
  - (x) the maximum authorised mass.]

<sup>F8</sup>(3) .....

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<sup>F9</sup>(3A) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Regulations, the Secretary of State may, without charge and on surrender by the registered keeper of a registration document issued before [<sup>F10</sup>IP completion day], issue to the registered keeper a registration document <sup>F11</sup>... in respect of the same vehicle if it appears proper and reasonable to him to do so.]

(4) In registering for the first time on or after [<sup>F12</sup>IP completion day] a vehicle, which has been registered in [<sup>F13</sup>a] member State or Gibraltar, the Secretary of State shall recognise as a registration document a document which has been issued in respect of that vehicle by that <sup>F14</sup>... member State or Gibraltar if it complies with [<sup>F15</sup>EU law or the law of Gibraltar, as the case may be ].

- (5) Where the Secretary of State registers a vehicle in accordance with paragraph (4) he shall—
  - (a) retain the former registration document for not less than 6 months; and
  - (b) within 2 months of registration in the United Kingdom, notify the authorities in the member State or in Gibraltar where the vehicle was previously registered of his act of registration.]

- F4** Reg. 10A inserted (31.1.2004) by The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/3073), regs. 1(1)(c), **3**
- F5** Reg. 10A(1) omitted (28.12.2018) by virtue of The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(3), **2(2)(a)**
- F6** Reg. 10A(1A) added (15.1.2005) by The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/3298), regs. 1, **3(2)(b)**
- F7** Reg. 10A(2) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(b)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1361, regs. 1(2)(b), **4(2)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F8** Reg. 10A(3) omitted (28.12.2018) by virtue of The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(3), **2(2)(c)**
- F9** Reg. 10A(3A) added (15.1.2005) by The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/3298), regs. 1, **3(2)(e)**
- F10** Words in reg. 10A(3A) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(d)(i)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1361, regs. 1(2)(b), **4(2)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F11** Words in reg. 10A(3A) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(d)(ii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F12** Words in reg. 10A(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(e)(i)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1361, regs. 1(2)(b), **4(2)**); 2020 c. 1, **Sch. 5 para. 1(1)**
- F13** Word in reg. 10A(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(e)(ii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F14** Word in reg. 10A(4) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(e)(iii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F15** Words in reg. 10A(4) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295), regs. 1(2), **2(2)(e)(iv)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

#### Marginal Citations

- M3** “Registration mark” is defined in section 62 of the Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994 (c. 22).
- M4** “Keeper” is defined in regulation 3(1) of S.I 2002/2742.

#### Production of vehicle for inspection before assignment of registration mark

**11.** Where at the request of the keeper of a vehicle a particular registration mark is to be assigned to it, having previously been assigned to another vehicle, that other vehicle shall be made available for inspection by the Secretary of State at a place designated by him, and the keeper of the first mentioned vehicle shall, before the registration mark is so assigned, pay to the Secretary of State a charge of £80 for the assignment.

#### Production of registration document for inspection

**12.** The keeper of a vehicle in respect of which a registration document has been issued shall produce the document for inspection if he is required to do so at any reasonable time by a constable or by a person acting on behalf of the Secretary of State.

### Issue of replacement registration document

13.—(1) Where a registration document has been, or may have been, lost, stolen, destroyed or damaged, or it contains any particulars that have become illegible, the registered keeper shall apply to the Secretary of State for the issue of a replacement document.

[<sup>F16</sup>(2) Any application under paragraph (1) may, if the Secretary of State thinks fit, be made orally by telephone or by electronic means and in any other case, except where the registration document is lost, stolen or destroyed, must be accompanied by the registration document.]

[<sup>F17</sup>(2A) An application for the issue of a replacement registration document under this regulation shall[<sup>F18</sup>, unless the registration document fee exemption applies,] be accompanied by a fee of [<sup>F19</sup>£25].]

(3) If the Secretary of State—

- (a) receives an application made in accordance with this regulation; and
- (b) he is satisfied that a registration document has been, or may have been, lost, stolen, destroyed or damaged, or that it contains any particulars that have become illegible,

he shall, subject to [<sup>F20</sup>regulations 15 and 15A][<sup>F21</sup>and paragraph (4)] , issue a replacement registration document to the registered keeper.

[<sup>F22</sup>(4) Where the registered keeper is the keeper of a fleet, a new registration document must be issued only if that keeper asks for it to be issued.

(5) A new registration document issued in accordance with paragraph (4) must be sent to the address of the registered keeper unless that keeper has specified another address in the request in which case it may be sent to that other address.]

**F16** Reg. 13(2) substituted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **5(2)**

**F17** Reg. 13(2A) added (1.3.2004) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/238\)](#), regs. 1, **3**

**F18** Words in reg. 13(2A) inserted (16.8.2004) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment No. 2\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/1773\)](#), regs. 1, **4**

**F19** Word in reg. 13(2A) substituted (1.5.2007) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2007 \(S.I. 2007/1018\)](#), regs. 1, **4**

**F20** Words in reg. 13(3) substituted (1.10.2015) by virtue of [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1657\)](#), regs. 1, **3(2)(a)**

**F21** Words in reg. 13(3) inserted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **5(3)**

**F22** Reg. 13(4)(5) substituted for reg. 13(4) (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **5(4)**

### Correction of registration document

14.—(1) [<sup>F23</sup>Unless when paragraph (1A) applies, where] the keeper of a vehicle believes that the particulars in the registration document issued in respect of that vehicle are, or have become, inaccurate, he shall forthwith notify the Secretary of State of the inaccuracy.

[<sup>F24</sup>(1A) Where the keeper of a fleet believes that any of the particulars about one of the keeper's vehicles recorded in the register are, or have become, inaccurate, the keeper shall forthwith notify the Secretary of State of the inaccuracy.]

[<sup>F25</sup>(2) Where the registration document has been, or may have been lost, stolen or destroyed, notification under paragraph (1) must be accompanied by—

- (a) an application for the issue of a new registration document; and
  - (b) except where the [<sup>F26</sup>registration document fee exemption] applies, a fee of £25.
- (3) Any notification under paragraph (1) or (1A) or any application under paragraph (2) may, if the Secretary of State thinks fit, be made orally by telephone or by electronic means and in any other case, except where the registration document is lost, stolen or destroyed, a notification under paragraph (1) must be accompanied by the registration document.
- (4) Where the Secretary of State believes that the particulars in the registration document or recorded in the register for a particular vehicle are inaccurate—
- (a) if the document has not been sent to him and the registered keeper of the vehicle is not the keeper of a fleet, he may require the registered keeper of the vehicle to send it to him;
  - (b) whether or not he has received the document, he may correct the particulars in the register; and
  - (c) after correcting the particulars in the register, he must, provided that paragraph (2) or (3) has been complied with, and subject to [<sup>F27</sup>regulations 15 and 15A] and paragraph (5), issue a new registration document containing the correct particulars to the registered keeper.
- (5) Where the registered keeper is the keeper of a fleet, a new registration document must be issued only if that keeper asks for it to be issued.
- (6) A new registration document issued in accordance with paragraph (5) must be sent to the address of the registered keeper unless that keeper has specified another address in the request in which case it may be sent to that other address.]

- F23** Words in reg. 14(1) substituted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **6(2)**
- F24** Reg. 14(1A) inserted (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **6(3)**
- F25** Reg. 14(2)-(6) substituted for reg. 14(2)-(3) (23.3.2015) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/403\)](#), regs. 1, **6(4)**
- F26** Words in reg. 14(2)(b) substituted (19.2.2018) by [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2018 \(S.I. 2018/52\)](#), regs. 1, **4**
- F27** Words in reg. 14(4)(c) substituted (1.10.2015) by virtue of [The Road Vehicles \(Registration and Licensing\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2015 \(S.I. 2015/1657\)](#), regs. 1, **3(2)(b)**

### Issue of new registration document

**15.**—(1) [<sup>F28</sup>Unless regulation 15A applies, before] issuing a new registration document in respect of a vehicle under any provision of these Regulations, the Secretary of State may require the keeper of the vehicle to satisfy him by the production of the vehicle or other sufficient evidence that the vehicle—

- (a) accords with the particulars furnished when a vehicle or nil licence was last applied for in respect of it; or
- (b) is the registered vehicle.

[<sup>F29</sup>(1A) [<sup>F30</sup>Unless regulation 15A applies, before] issuing a new registration document the Secretary of State may take actions to satisfy himself that the identity and address of the person seeking to be the registered keeper accords with the information given to him,]

(2) The Secretary of State may refuse to issue a new registration document in respect of a vehicle if he is not satisfied as mentioned in [<sup>F31</sup>paragraphs (1) and (1A)].

[<sup>F32</sup>(3) Unless paragraph (3B) applies, the provisions of Schedule 3 shall have effect in relation to the issue of a new registration document in respect of a vehicle (in this regulation and in Schedule 3 called “the relevant vehicle”) where paragraph (3A) applies.

(3A) This paragraph applies where—

- (a) the relevant vehicle falls within the category M1 described in [<sup>F33</sup>Article 4 of Regulation (EU) 2018/858 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles]; and
- (b) either an insurer has informed the Secretary of State that it has decided to pay the pre-accident value of the relevant vehicle to the owner in preference to paying for is less than the cost of repairing it or the registration document has been surrendered to the Secretary of State under regulation 20(5).

(3B) This paragraph applies if—

- (a) the relevant vehicle is a vehicle described in paragraph (3A);
- (b) the insurer or the keeper of a fleet has notified the Secretary of State that the relevant vehicle is suitable for repair; and
- (c) the request for a new registration document is made on or after 1st October 2015 but before 26th October 2015.

(3C) If paragraph (3B) applies, the Secretary of State must treat the request for a new registration document as made under regulation 15A except that paragraph (1) of that regulation is disapplied.]

[<sup>F34</sup>(4) .....

<b>F28</b>	Words in reg. 15(1) substituted (1.10.2015) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/1657)</a> , regs. 1, <b>4(2)</b>
<b>F29</b>	Reg. 15(1A) inserted (1.1.2004) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/3073)</a> , regs. 1(1)(b), <b>4(a)</b>
<b>F30</b>	Words in reg. 15(1A) substituted (1.10.2015) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/1657)</a> , regs. 1, <b>4(2)</b>
<b>F31</b>	Words in reg. 15(2) substituted (1.1.2004) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/3073)</a> , regs. 1(1)(b), <b>4(b)</b>
<b>F32</b>	Reg. 15(3)-(3C) substituted for reg. 15(3) (1.10.2015) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/1657)</a> , regs. 1, <b>4(3)</b>
<b>F33</b>	Words in reg. 15(3A)(a) substituted (1.9.2020) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/818)</a> , reg. 1(b), <b>Sch. 6 para. 16(2)</b> (with Sch. 4 paras. 16, 17)
<b>F34</b>	Reg. 15(4) omitted (23.3.2015) by virtue of <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/403)</a> , regs. 1, <b>7(3)</b>

[<sup>F35</sup>**Issue of new registration document from 26th October 2015**

**15A.—**(1) This regulation applies where a request for a new registration document is made on or after 26th October 2015.

(2) Before issuing a new registration document in respect of a vehicle under any provision of these Regulations, the Secretary of State may require the keeper of the vehicle to satisfy him by the production of the vehicle or other sufficient evidence that the vehicle—

- (a) accords with the particulars furnished when a vehicle or nil licence was last applied for in respect of it; or
- (b) is the registered vehicle.

(3) Before issuing a new registration document the Secretary of State may take actions to satisfy himself that the identity and address of the person seeking to be the registered keeper accords with the information given to him.

(4) The Secretary of State may refuse to issue a new registration document in respect of a vehicle if he is not satisfied as mentioned in paragraphs (2) and (3).

(5) The provisions of Schedule 3A shall have effect in relation to the issue of a new registration document in respect of a vehicle (in this regulation and in Schedule 3A called “the relevant vehicle”) where [<sup>F36</sup>paragraph (6) applies] and one of the conditions in paragraph (7) is satisfied.

[<sup>F37</sup>(6) This paragraph applies where the relevant vehicle is—

- (a) designed and constructed primarily for the carriage of passengers and their luggage, has no more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat and has no space for standing passengers,
- (b) designed and constructed primarily for the carriage of goods and has a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 3.5 tonnes, or
- (c) of a type within categories L1e to L7e described in Annex 1 to Regulation (EU) 168/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approval and market surveillance of two or three-wheel vehicles and quadricycles.]

(7) The conditions are that—

- (a) an insurer has informed the Secretary of State that [<sup>F38</sup>the relevant vehicle has sustained damage;]
- (b) the registration document has been surrendered to the Secretary of State under regulation 20(5) (change of keeper: general provisions);
- (c) the keeper of a fleet has informed the Secretary of State that the relevant vehicle has not been insured with an insurer and [<sup>F39</sup>it has sustained damage.]]

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| <p><b>F35</b> Reg. 15A inserted (1.10.2015) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/1657)</a>, regs. 1, <b>5</b></p> <p><b>F36</b> Words in reg. 15A(5) substituted (31.12.2020) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295)</a>, regs. 1(2), <b>2(3)(a)</b>; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)</p> <p><b>F37</b> Reg. 15A(6) substituted (31.12.2020) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration, Registration Plates and Excise Exemption) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/1295)</a>, regs. 1(2), <b>2(3)(b)</b>; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)</p> <p><b>F38</b> Words in reg. 15A(7)(a) substituted (19.2.2018) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/52)</a>, regs. 1, <b>5(a)</b></p> <p><b>F39</b> Words in reg. 15A(7)(c) substituted (19.2.2018) by <a href="#">The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (S.I. 2018/52)</a>, regs. 1, <b>5(b)</b></p> |
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**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 2002, PART III.