STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1817

PUBLIC PASSENGER TRANSPORT

The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 2003

Made	14th July 2003
Laid before Parliament	21st July 2003
Coming into force	11th August 2003

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 10(1), 52(1) and 60 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981(1), by virtue of the Department of Transport (Fees) Order 1988(2), and in exercise of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 61(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 11th August 2003.

Increases in fees

2.—(1) The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) Regulations 1981(**3**) shall be amended as follows.

(2) In the regulations specified in column (1) of the Table for the amounts specified in column (2) there shall be substituted the amounts specified in column (3).

^{(1) 1981} c. 14. Section 52(1) was amended by the Transport Act 1985 (c. 67) ("the 1985 Act"), Schedule 1, paragraph 7, Schedule 2, Part II, paragraph 4(14) and Schedule 8; and by the Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994 (c. 40), section 66(2). Section 60(1) was amended by the 1985 Act, section 134(2), Schedule 2, Part II, paragraph 4(18) and Schedule 8; section 60(1A) was inserted by the 1985 Act, section 134(2), and section 61(2) was amended by the 1985 Act, section 135(1) and Schedule 8.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1988/643, which was made under section 102 of the Finance (No. 2) Act 1987 (c. 51). The relevant references in S.I. 1988/643 are items 1 and 2A of Table V of Schedule 1.

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1981/257; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1986/370, 1988/340, 1997/84, 1998/1670, 2000/1431, 2001/1649 and 2002/489.

TABLE

(1)	(2)	(3)
Regulation	Existing Amount	Substituted Amount
46(2)(a)(i)	£174	£179
46(2)(a)(ii)	£139	£143
46(2)(b)(i)	£139	£143
46(2)(b)(ii)	£16.50	£17
50(a)	£806	£830
	£75	£77
50(b)	£398	£410
50(c)	£1724	£1776
53	£15.50	£16

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

David Jamieson Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Transport

14th July 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) Regulations 1981 as follows.

The fee payable for a certificate of initial fitness is increased by 2.9% from £174 to £179 on the first application in respect of a public service vehicle which, when equipped with seat belts otherwise than as required by regulation 47 of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986, is not of a type for which the manufacturer holds any of certain approvals relating to seat belt anchorage points.

The fee payable for a certificate of initial fitness is increased by 2.9% from £139 to £143 on the first application in any other case.

The fee payable for a certificate of initial fitness is increased by 2.9% from £139 to £143 on any subsequent application when the test which that application will require includes a test of stability under regulation 6. The fee payable for a certificate of initial fitness in any subsequent application in any other case is increased by 3% from £16.50 to £17.

The fees payable for type approvals are increased from £806, £75, £398 and £1724 to respectively £830, £77, £410 and £1776 (increases of 3%, 2.7%, 3% and 3% respectively).

The fee payable for a certificate of conformity is increased by 3.2% from £15.50 to £16.

A regulatory impact assessment has been prepared and copies can be obtained from the Department for Transport, Zone 2/05, Great Minster House, 76 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DR (telephone number: 020–7944 2455). A copy has been placed in the library of each House of Parliament.