

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

These Regulations further amend the Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) Regulations 1988 (“the 1988 Regulations”). *Regulations 3, 4, 5 and 6* amend the fees prescribed by the 1988 Regulations.

Regulation 3 changes the fee payable on an application for a first examination or periodical test as shown in Table 1 (with the percentage increase shown in brackets).

Table 1

<i>Description of vehicle</i>	<i>Old Fee (£)</i>	<i>New Fee (£)</i>
Motor vehicle with 2 axles	51.00	75.00(47.1%)
Motor vehicle with 3 axles	73.00	99.00(35.6%)
Motor vehicle with 4 or more axles	96.00	124.00(29.2%)
Trailer with 1 axle	25.00	35.00(40.0%)
Trailer with 2 axles	38.00	49.00(28.9%)
Trailer with 3 or more axles	48.00	60.00(25.0%)

Regulation 12(4A) (supplement payable where the vehicle testing station appointed for an examination or test is, at the applicant’s request, not one provided by the Secretary of State) is omitted and the sum of the fee plus the supplement payable in such circumstances in respect of each category of vehicle is set out in column 3 of the table in regulation 12(1) (*regulation 3*). The supplement is decreased by 46.2% from £13 to £7 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 42.9% from £7 to £4 in the case of a trailer (*regulation 3*). The overall increase to the sum of the fee plus supplement (with the percentage increase shown in brackets) is shown in Table 2.

Table 2

<i>Description of vehicle</i>	<i>Old Fee (£)</i>	<i>New Fee (£)</i>
Motor vehicle with 2 axles	64.00	82.00(28.1%)
Motor vehicle with 3 axles	86.00	106.00(23.3%)
Motor vehicle with 4 or more axles	109.00	131.00(20.2%)
Trailer with 1 axle	32.00	39.00(21.9%)
Trailer with 2 axles	45.00	53.00(17.8%)
Trailer with 3 or more axles	55.00	64.00(16.4%)

Where the appointment for such an examination or test is, at the applicant’s request, “out of hours”, the supplement to the normal fee is increased by 8.6% from £35 to £38 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 9.1% from £22 to £24 in the case of a trailer (regulation 12(4) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*).

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Regulation 4 changes the fee payable on an application for a re-test or further re-test carried out within 14 days after the vehicle was submitted for its first examination, periodic test or previous re-test (regulation 16(1) and (3) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 4*). The new fees are shown in Table 3 below (with the percentage increase shown in brackets).

Table 3

<i>Description of vehicle</i>	<i>Old Fee (£)</i>	<i>New Fee (£)</i>
Motor vehicle with 2 axles	34.00	37.00(8.8%)
Motor vehicle with 3 axles	48.00	52.00(8.3%)
Motor vehicle with 4 or more axles	63.00	69.00(9.5%)
Trailer with 1 axle	17.00	19.00(11.8%)
Trailer with 2 axles	24.00	26.00(8.3%)
Trailer with 3 or more axles	32.00	35.00(9.4%)

Regulation 16(4A) (supplement payable where the vehicle testing station appointed for a re-test is, at the applicant's request, not one provided by the Secretary of State) is omitted and the sum of the fee plus the supplement payable in such circumstances in respect of each category of vehicle is set out in column 3 of the table in regulation 16(1) (*regulation 4*). The supplement is decreased by 46.2% from £13 to £7 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 42.9% from £7 to £4 in the case of a trailer (*regulation 4*). The overall change in the sum of the fee plus supplement (with the percentage increase/decrease shown in brackets) is shown in Table 4.

Table 4

<i>Description of vehicle</i>	<i>Old Fee (£)</i>	<i>New Fee (£)</i>
Motor vehicle with 2 axles	42.00	41.00(-2.4%)
Motor vehicle with 3 axles	56.00	56.00(0.0%)
Motor vehicle with 4 or more axles	71.00	73.00(2.8%)
Trailer with 1 axle	21.00	21.00(0.0%)
Trailer with 2 axles	28.00	28.00(0.0%)
Trailer with 3 or more axles	36.00	37.00(2.8%)

Where the appointment for a re-test or further re-test within 14 days is, at the applicant's request "out of hours", the supplement to the normal fee is increased by 11.1% from £18 to £20 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 8.3% from £12 to £13 in the case of a trailer (regulation 16(4) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 4*).

Where the appointment for a re-test or further re-test not within 14 days is, at the applicant's request, "out of hours", the supplement to the normal fee is increased by 8.6% from £35 to £38 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 9.1% from £22 to £24 in the case of a trailer (regulation 16(5) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 4*). Regulation 16(5A) (supplement payable where the vehicle testing station appointed for a re-test or further re-test not within 14 days is, at the applicant's request, not one provided by the Secretary of State) is omitted. The sum of the fee plus supplement payable in such circumstances in respect of each category of vehicle is set out in column 3 of the new table inserted in regulation 12(1). Regulation 16(2) is amended to reflect this (*regulation 4*). Where a re-

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test is carried out in the circumstances specified in regulation 16(6) of the 1988 Regulations the fee is increased by 8.3% from £12 to £13 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 16.7% from £6 to £7 in the case of a trailer (*regulation 4*).

The fee payable on an appeal in respect of a determination made on a first examination, or on a consequent re-test of a vehicle is increased by 7.4% from £27 to £29 (regulation 25(4) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*).

The fee payable on a request for an amendment to a plating certificate following a notifiable alteration or for a re-examination where a particular contained in a plating certificate is or may be no longer applicable is increased by 8.3% from £24 to £26 (regulation 34(1) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*). Where an appointment for a re-examination following a notifiable alteration or with a view to amendment of a plating certificate is, at the applicant's request, "out of hours", the supplement is increased by 8.3% from £12 to £13 (regulation 34(2) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*). Where the vehicle testing station appointed for such a re-examination is, at the applicant's request, not one provided by the Secretary of State, the supplement or, in a case which is "out of hours", further supplement is decreased by 50.0% from £8 to £4 in the case of a motor vehicle and by 50.0% from £4 to £2 in the case of a trailer (regulation 34(2A) of the 1988 Regulations). Regulation 34(2A) is amended to give the sum of the fee plus the supplement payable in relation to motor vehicles and trailers in such circumstances. The sum of the fee plus supplement payable in such circumstances is decreased by 6.3% from £32 to £30 in the case of a motor vehicle and the sum of the fee plus supplement payable in the case of a trailer is unchanged (regulation 34(2A) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*).

The fee payable for the alteration of the plated weights (or any of the plated weights) for a vehicle without an examination is increased by 8.3% from £24 to £26 (regulation 37B(2) of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*). The fee payable for replacements of Ministry plates, plating certificates, goods vehicle test certificates or Ministry test date discs is increased by 8.3% from £12 to £13 (regulation 41 of the 1988 Regulations) (*regulation 6*).

An impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from the VOSA Corporate Office, Berkeley House, Croydon Street, Bristol BS5 0DA (telephone: 0117 954 3200). A copy has been placed in the library of each House of Parliament. The impact assessment is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside the instrument on the OPSI website www.opsi.gov.uk.