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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2010 No. 198**

**The Pedal Bicycles (Safety) Regulations 2010**

**Supply of assembled bicycles**

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person must not supply a bicycle unless the requirements of paragraphs (3) to (12) of this regulation are satisfied.

(2) This regulation does not apply to the supply of a bicycle with unassembled parts (whether wholly or partially).

(3) The bicycle must be fitted with a bell which is of a category intended for use on bicycles.

(4) Where the bicycle is fitted with brakes which are intended to be hand operated—

(a) the brake lever intended to be operated by the right hand must operate the front brake; and

(b) the brake lever intended to be operated by the left hand must operate the rear brake.

(5) Retro reflective material or a retro reflector (or a combination) must be attached to, or incorporated in, the front wheel or tyre so that light is capable of being reflected to both sides of the bicycle.

(6) Subject to paragraph (7), retro reflective material or a retro reflector (or a combination) must be attached to, or incorporated in, the rear wheel or tyre so that light is capable of being reflected to both sides of the bicycle.

(7) To the extent that the requirement in respect of light in paragraph (6) cannot be satisfied by virtue of the design of, or the equipment fitted to, a bicycle, a retro reflector may be fitted to the frame of the bicycle in order to satisfy (on its own or in combination with material or another reflector fitted in accordance with paragraph (6)) that requirement.

(8) Any retro reflector attached to, or incorporated in, a wheel for the purpose of paragraph (5) or (6) must be a wide angle reflector.

(9) No retro reflective material or retro reflector may be fitted for the purpose of paragraph (5), (6) or (7) if the fitting of the material or reflector would contravene Part 2 of the Lighting Regulations (regulations governing the fitting of lamps, reflectors, rear markings and devices).

(10) The bicycle must be fitted with—

(a) a wide angle retro reflector to the front; or

(b) a lamp to the front,

which is fitted in accordance with the requirements of the Lighting Regulations relating to an optional front retro reflector or an obligatory front lamp (as the case may be).

(11) A wide angle retro reflector must be fitted to the rear of the bicycle in a manner which complies with the requirements of the Lighting Regulations relating to an obligatory rear retro reflector.

(12) A retro reflector must be fitted to each of the pedals of the bicycle in a manner which complies with the requirements of the Lighting Regulations relating to an obligatory pedal retro reflector.

(13) In this regulation, “the Lighting Regulations” means—

- (a) in respect of the supply of a bicycle in Great Britain, the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989(1); or
- (b) in respect of the supply of a bicycle in Northern Ireland, the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000(2).

(14) An expression used in the Lighting Regulations has the same meaning in this regulation as in those Regulations.

(15) For the purposes of this regulation, regulation 4(3) of the Lighting Regulations (which provides for an exemption for certain vehicles from any requirement to fit a lamp or reflector between sunrise and sunset that would otherwise be imposed under the Lighting Regulations) is to be disregarded.

(16) In this regulation, a reference to a reflector being “wide angle” is a reference to that device providing reflex reflection through horizontal entrance angles of not less than 50°, on either side of the reference axis.

(17) Subject to paragraph (18), the prohibition in paragraph (1) applies also to a person—

- (a) offering to supply a bicycle;
- (b) agreeing to supply a bicycle;
- (c) exposing a bicycle for supply; or
- (d) possessing a bicycle for supply;

where at the time of offering or agreeing to supply the bicycle, or exposing or possessing the bicycle for supply, the requirements in paragraphs (3) to (12) are not satisfied.

(18) Paragraph (17) does not apply where the person has measures in place to ensure that when the bicycle is supplied, the requirements of paragraphs (3) to (12) are satisfied.

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(1) S.I. 1989/1796; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1994/2280, 2005/2559 and 2009/3220.  
(2) S.R. 2000/169; the relevant amending instrument is S.R. 2007/239.