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## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# 2010 No. 430

## HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES

### The Severn Bridges (Amendment) Regulations 2010

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| <i>Made</i>                   | - - - - | <i>22nd February 2010</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> |         | <i>25th February 2010</i> |
| <i>Coming into force</i>      | - -     | <i>19th March 2010</i>    |

The Secretary of State for Transport in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Regulations.

#### **Citation and Commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Severn Bridges (Amendment) Regulations 2010 and come into force on 19th March 2010.

#### **Amendments to the Severn Bridges Regulations 1996**

2. The Severn Bridges Regulations 1996<sup>(2)</sup> are amended in accordance with these Regulations.

#### **Place and manner of payment**

3. In Regulation 5(1), omit the comma following the phrase “shall be paid by the driver of the vehicle” and for the words “in cash” substitute “by a recognised means of payment,” and omit the words “by the insertion of coins”.

4. After Regulation 5(4) add—

“(5) For the purpose of this regulation, “recognised” means—

- (a) where the power to levy tolls is for the time being exercisable by the concessionaire, recognised and accepted by the concessionaire; or
- (b) where the power to levy tolls is for the time being exercisable by the Secretary of State, recognised and accepted by the Secretary of State.”.

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(1) 1992 c.3.  
(2) S.I. 1996/1316.

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Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

22nd February 2010

*Sadiq Khan*  
Minister of State  
Department for Transport

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Severn Bridges Regulations 1996 (“the 1996 regulations”) to allow for payment of the tolls at the Severn Bridges by any recognised means of payment.

Regulation 5 of the 1996 regulations has been amended to allow for payment of the tolls by any recognised means of payment.

Regulation 5(5) has been inserted into the 1996 regulations to provide an interpretation of the word ‘recognised’ for the purpose of this regulation.

A regulatory impact assessment has been produced for this instrument and is available from the Department for Transport, RDM, Zone 3/05, Great Minster House, 76 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DR.

A copy of the Explanatory Memorandum is available from the Department for Transport, RDM, Zone 3/05 Great Minster House, 76 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DR and on the OPSI website ([www.opsi.gov.uk](http://www.opsi.gov.uk)).