
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Goods Vehicles (Licensing of Operators)
(Exemption) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012**

Small goods vehicle

3.—(1) For the purposes of section 1(2)(a) of the 2010 Act a goods vehicle is a small goods vehicle if it forms part of a vehicle combination and complies with the conditions set out in paragraph (2)(a) or (b).

(2) The conditions referred to in paragraph (1) are that-

- (a) the vehicle and combination of vehicles used for hire and reward has a relevant plated weight up to and including 3.5 tonnes and complies with Regulation (EC) No.1071/2009⁽¹⁾; or
- (b) the vehicle and combination of vehicles used by an own account operator includes a towing vehicle that has a relevant plated weight which is no more than 3.5 tonnes.

(3) Paragraph (2) applies in spite of Article 1(4)(c) of Regulation (EC) No.1071/2009 (exemption for slow vehicles unless otherwise provided in national law).