
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021**

Amendment of the Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) Regulations

2.—(1) The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015⁽¹⁾ are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4).

(2) In regulation 4 (application)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph (2) insert “Subject to paragraph (3),”

(b) after paragraph (2) insert—

“(3) The fee referred to in paragraph (2) shall not apply where the application is received on or after 24th November 2021 but no later than 28th February 2022 and in such circumstances regulation 5(2)(b) shall not apply.”.

(3) In regulation 11 (condition of taximeter and device)—

(a) at the beginning of paragraph (1) insert “Subject to paragraph (3),”; and

(b) after paragraph (2) insert—

“(3) During the period from and including 24th November 2021 to 31st May 2022 where a taximeter does not have a seal in accordance with regulation 7, for any of the reasons in paragraph (4), the taxi is permitted to be used to stand or ply for hire or reward or carry passengers for hire or reward on the condition that an application for inspection, testing and sealing of the taximeter has been made in accordance with regulation (4).

(4) The reasons referred to in paragraph (3) are—

(a) the seal has been broken for the purpose of calibrating the taximeter so as not to exceed the maximum fare rates;

(b) the seal has been broken for the purpose of amending specified days in accordance with these Regulations; or

(c) a new taximeter has been fitted and has not yet been inspected, tested and sealed in accordance with these Regulations.”.

(4) For the Schedule substitute the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.