

Transport Act 1968

1968 CHAPTER 73

PART III

BUS AND FERRY SERVICES

National Bus Company and Scottish Transport Group

25 General powers of Bus Company

Subject and without prejudice to the provisions of, or of any enactment applied by, sections 47 to 52 of this Act, the Bus Company shall have power—

- (a) to carry passengers by road, whether in or outside England and Wales;
- (b) to carry passengers by vessel or hovercraft where that carriage forms part of a passenger transport service which includes the carriage of passengers by road by the Company or a subsidiary of theirs or by some other person, whether or not as agent for the Company, in pursuance of an agreement with the Company;
- (c) where any vehicle or vessel is used for the carriage of passengers in pursuance of paragraph (a) or (b) of this section, to carry also luggage or other goods in that vehicle or a trailer drawn thereby or in that vessel;
- (d) to store goods which have been or are to be carried by the Company in pursuance of paragraph (c) of this section or by a subsidiary of the Company, and, so far as any premises provided for the purposes of that or any other part of their business are not required for those purposes, to use them to provide facilities for the storage of other goods;
- (e) to let passenger vehicles for hire with or without trailers for the carriage of goods ;
- (f) to carry on business as travel agents;
- (g) to enter into and carry out agreements with any person engaged in the provision of transport services, by whatever form of transport, for coordinating the activities of that person with those of the Bus Company, and in particular for the provision of combined services for the through carriage

of passengers or goods, whether by the same or partly by one and partly by another form of transport, for the quoting of through rates and for the pooling of receipts or expenses ;

- (h) to join with any person engaged as mentioned in paragraph (g) of this section in forming, promoting and assisting a company for carrying on any activities in connection with such combined services as are so mentioned which the Bus Company or that person have power to carry on ;
- (j) with the consent of the Minister, to carry on any activities which the Company would not apart from this paragraph have power to carry on but which a subsidiary of the Company was carrying on immediately before it became such a subsidiary.