



Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons (Northern Ireland) Act 1978

1978 CHAPTER 53

[^{F1}14A Recognition of badges issued outside Northern Ireland

- (1) For the purposes of this section and section 14B, a “ recognised badge ” means—
 - (a) a badge issued under section 21 of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970, or any provision replacing that section, as from time to time amended, or
 - (b) a badge issued under provisions of the law of any jurisdiction outside the United Kingdom that are specified in regulations made by the Department.
- (2) In exercising the power under subsection (1)(b), the Department may specify a provision only if it appears to the Department that badges issued under the provision are issued by reference to persons who are, or include, disabled persons.
- (3) A recognised badge may be displayed on a motor vehicle only in such circumstances and in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Department.
- (4) A person who drives a motor vehicle on a road (within the meaning of the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997) at a time when a badge purporting to be a recognised badge is displayed on the vehicle is guilty of an offence unless the badge is a recognised badge and is displayed in accordance with regulations made under subsection (3).
- (5) Where it appears to a constable or a traffic attendant that there is displayed on any motor vehicle a badge purporting to be a recognised badge, he may require any person who—
 - (a) is in the vehicle, or
 - (b) appears to have been in, or to be about to get into, the vehicle,to produce the badge for inspection.
- (6) The power conferred on a traffic attendant by subsection (5) is exercisable only for purposes connected with the discharge of his functions in relation to a stationary vehicle.

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- (7) A person who without reasonable excuse fails to produce a badge when required to do so under subsection (5) shall be guilty of an offence.
- (8) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) or (7) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (9) The concessions mentioned in subsection (10) shall apply in respect of vehicles lawfully displaying a recognised badge as they apply in respect of vehicles lawfully displaying a badge issued under section 14.
- (10) The concessions are—
- (a) any exemption from an order under the Road Traffic Regulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1997 given by reference to vehicles lawfully displaying a badge issued under section 14;
 - (b) any provision made in an order under that Order for the use of a parking place by such vehicles.
- (11) The Department may by regulations provide that recognised badges are to be treated, for purposes specified in the regulations, as if they were badges issued under section 14.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 14A inserted (20.8.2005) by [The Traffic Management \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2005 \(S.I. 2005/1964\)](#), arts. 1(2), **33**

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