



# Road Traffic Act 1988

## 1988 CHAPTER 52

### PART II

#### CONSTRUCTION AND USE OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

##### *Maintenance and loading of goods vehicles*

#### **73 Provisions supplementary to sections 69 to 72**

- (1) On giving a notice under section 69(2) or 70(2) of this Act to a person in charge of a vehicle, the person giving the notice must as soon as practicable take steps to bring the contents of the notice—
  - (a) to the attention of the owner of the vehicle if he was not in charge of it at the time when the notice was given, and
  - (b) in the case of an authorised vehicle, to the attention of the licensing authority by whom the operator's licence was granted for the vehicle.
- (2) A goods vehicle examiner must, in exercising his functions under this section and sections 69 and 70 of this Act, act under the general directions of the Secretary of State and (without prejudice to that) must, in exercising his functions under section 69(6) of this Act, act in accordance with any directions given by the Secretary of State with respect to the exercise of those functions in any particular case.
- (3) Any reference in sections 69 to 72 of this Act to the driving of a vehicle is, in relation to a trailer, a reference to the driving of the vehicle by which the trailer is drawn.
- (4) In this section and section 72 of this Act “authorised vehicle” and “operator's licence” have the same meaning as in Part V of the Transport Act 1968.