



# Disability Discrimination Act 1995

## 1995 CHAPTER 50

### PART V

#### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

##### *Taxis*

### **39 Requirements as to disabled passengers in Scotland**

(1) Part II of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (licensing and regulation) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (4) of section 10 (suitability of vehicle for use as taxi)—

(a) after “authority” insert “— (a)”; and

(b) at the end add “; and

(b) as not being so suitable if it does not so comply.”

(3) In section 20 (regulations relating to taxis etc.) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) Without prejudice to the generality of subsections (1) and (2) above, regulations under those subsections may make such provision as appears to the Secretary of State to be necessary or expedient in relation to the carrying in taxis of disabled persons (within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995) and such provision may in particular prescribe—

(a) requirements as to the carriage of wheelchairs, guide dogs, hearing dogs and other categories of dog;

(b) a date from which any such provision is to apply and the extent to which it is to apply; and

(c) the circumstances in which an exemption from such provision may be granted in respect of any taxi or taxi driver,

and in this subsection—

“guide dog” means a dog which has been trained to guide a blind person;

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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“hearing dog” means a dog which has been trained to assist a deaf person; and

“other categories of dog” means such other categories of dog as the Secretary of State may prescribe, trained to assist disabled persons who have disabilities of such kinds as he may prescribe.”