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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 9

#### ROAD TRAFFIC LEGISLATION: USE OF VEHICLES IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE BY NHS

##### *Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989 (S.I. 1989/1796)*

- 10 The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989 are amended as follows.
- 11 (1) The Table in regulation 3(2) (which sets out the meaning of expressions used in the regulations) is amended as follows.
- (2) In column 2, in paragraph (a) of the definition of “emergency vehicle”, omit “, ambulance”.
- (3) In that definition, after paragraph (a) insert—

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“(aza) a vehicle used for ambulance purposes or for the purpose of providing a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service;”

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- (4) At the appropriate place insert—

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“An NHS ambulance service	(a) an NHS trust or NHS foundation trust established under the National Health Service Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
	(b) an NHS trust established under the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006 which has a function of providing ambulance services;
	(c) the Scottish Ambulance Service Board.”

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- 12 (1) Regulation 11 (colour of light shown by lamps and reflectors) is amended as follows.
- (2) Omit paragraph (2)(y)(iii).
- (3) After paragraph (2)(y) insert—
- “(z) reflected light from yellow or orange retro reflective material fitted to the rear of a vehicle—
- (i) used for ambulance purposes, or
- (ii) used for the purpose of providing a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service.”
- 13 In Part 2 of Schedule 17 (requirements relating to optional side retro reflectors), in the first column of the Table, below “Ambulance” (but in the same row) insert “The provision of a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service but only in respect of a vehicle which is owned by the service or held by it under a lease or hire agreement”.

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- 14 (1) Part 2 of Schedule 18 (requirements relating to optional rear retro reflectors) is amended as follows.
- (2) The first sentence becomes paragraph 1.
- (3) At the end of that paragraph insert “ , subject to paragraphs 2 and 3. ”
- (4) The second sentence becomes paragraph 2.
- (5) In that paragraph—
- (a) omit “But”;
  - (b) omit paragraph (c).
- (6) After paragraph 2 insert—
- “3 The colour of rear retro reflectors fitted to—
- (a) a vehicle used for ambulance purposes, or
  - (b) a vehicle used for the purpose of providing a response to an emergency at the request of an NHS ambulance service,
- may be red, yellow or orange (or any combination), provided that, in the case mentioned in paragraph (b), the vehicle is owned by the NHS ambulance service or held by it under a lease or hire agreement.”

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2015/994 art. 13 Sch. by [S.I. 2015/1405 art. 2\(3\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 110A inserted by [2016 c. 12 s. 16\(1\)](#)