

# Road Traffic Act 1960

# **1960 CHAPTER 16**

## PART IV

## REGULATION OF CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY ROAD

### Supplementary

### 187 Power of licensing authority to hold inquiries

A licensing authority may hold such inquiries as he thinks necessary for the proper exercise of his functions under this Part of this Act.

#### 188 Accounts and annual report of licensing authorities

- (1) Each licensing authority shall cause proper accounts and other records in relation to his area to be kept, and shall prepare an annual statement of accounts in such form and containing such particulars as may be required by the Minister.
- (2) Each licensing authority shall make to the Minister an annual report on his proceedings, containing particulars with respect to such matters as the Minister may direct.

#### 189 Appointment and remuneration of officers and servants

- (1) Subject to the consent of the Treasury as to number, the Minister may appoint such officers and servants as he considers necessary for the operation of the provisions of this Part of this Act.
- (2) There shall be paid to licensing authorities and persons acting as officers or servants of a licensing authority, examiners, and any other officers or servants appointed for the purposes of this Part of this Act, such remuneration or salaries and such allowances, if any, as the Minister may, with the consent of the Treasury, determine.

- (3) In every year there shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament such sums as the Minister may, with the consent of the Treasury, direct in respect of—
  - (a) remuneration, salaries and allowances under the last foregoing subsection; and
  - (b) the establishment charges and other expenses of licensing authorities, examiners and any other officers or servants appointed by the Minister for the purposes of this Part of this Act.

#### 190 Regulations for purposes of Part IV

- (1) The Minister may make regulations for any purpose for which regulations may be made under this Part of this Act or the Thirteenth Schedule thereto and for prescribing anything which may be prescribed under this Part of this Act and generally for the purpose of carrying this Part of this Act into effect and, in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions of this subsection, may make regulations with respect to any of the following matters—
  - (a) the forms to be used, and the particulars to be furnished, for any of the purposes of this Part of this Act;
  - (b) the procedure on applications for, and the determination of questions in connection with, the grant, variation, suspension, revocation and curtailment of carriers' licences, and on appeals to the Minister under this Part of this Act;
  - (c) the issue of carriers' licences, and the issue of copies of such licences in the case of licences lost or destroyed;
  - (d) the means by which vehicles are to be identified, whether by plates, marks or otherwise, as being authorised vehicles;
  - (e) the custody of carriers' licences, the production, return and cancellation of such licences on expiration, suspension, revocation or curtailment, and the custody, production and return of documents and plates; and
  - (f) the notification to the licensing authority of vehicles which have ceased to be used under a carrier's licence,

and different regulations may be made as respects different classes or descriptions of vehicles or as respects the same class or description of vehicles in different circumstances.

(2) The power conferred by the foregoing subsection to make regulations with respect to the means by which vehicles are to be identified as being authorised vehicles shall include power to require that any such means of identification prescribed for a vehicle shall be carried notwithstanding that for the time being the vehicle is not being used for a purpose for which a carrier's licence is required.

#### **191** Interpretation of Part IV

(1) In this Part of this Act and the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Schedules thereto, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say,—

" authorised vehicle " means, in relation to a carrier's licence, a vehicle authorised to be used thereunder, whether or not it is for the time being in use for a purpose for which a carrier's licence is required and whether it is specified therein as so authorised or, being of a type so authorised subject to a maximum number, is in the possession of the holder of the licence under an agreement for hire or loan or, if a trailer, belongs to him or is in his possession under an agreement for hire-purchase, hire or loan;

" carriage of goods " includes the haulage of goods;

" driver " means, in relation to a trailer, the driver of the vehicle by which the trailer is drawn, and " drive " shall be construed accordingly;

" goods " includes goods or burden of any description;

" goods vehicle " means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted for use for the carriage of goods, or a trailer so constructed or adapted ;

" prescribed " means prescribed by regulations;

" regulations " means regulations made under the last foregoing section;

" statutory attendant " means a person employed in pursuance of section seventy-two of this Act in attending a locomotive or attending to a trailer.

(2) Anything required or authorised by this Part of this Act to be done to or by a licensing authority by whom a carrier's licence was granted may be done to or by any person for the time being acting as licensing authority for the area for which the first-mentioned authority was acting at the time of the granting of the licence.