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THE PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES (CONDITIONS OF FITNESS, EQUIPMENT, USE AND CERTIFICATION) REGULATIONS 1981

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- 2. Regulation 9(1) and (2) (Brakes) shall not apply in the...
- 3. Regulation 13(1) (Fuel tanks, carburettors, etc.) shall not apply—
- 4. Regulation 16 (Artificial lighting) in so far as it consists...
- 5. Regulation 17(2) (Electrical equipment) shall not apply in the case...
- 6. Regulation 19 (Height of sides of body) shall not apply...
- 7. Regulation 20 (Steps, platforms and stairs) shall not apply-
- 8. Regulation 21 (Number, position and size of entrances and exits)...
- 9. Regulation 23(1)(Doors) shall not apply— (a) in so far as...
- 10. Regulation 24(1)(b)(iv) (Marking, positioning and operation of emergency exits) shall...
- 11. The provisions of Regulation 26 (Width of gangways) specified in...
- 12. Regulation 27 (Height of gangways) shall not apply in the...
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- 14. Regulation 29 (Passenger protection) shall not apply in the case...
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SCHEDULE 3 (see — CONDITIONS PRESCRIBED IN REGULATIONS IN PART Regulation 5) II, OR PROVISIONS THEREOF, APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN VEHICLES BEARING A DESIGNATED APPROVAL MARK

Regulation 6 (Stability); Regulation 7 (Suspension); Regulation 8 (Guard rails);...

SCHEDULE 4 (See — FIRE EXTINGUISHING APPARATUS

Regulation 35)

PART I

(i) A foam-producing fire extinguisher complying in all respects with...

- (ii) A foam-producing fire extinguisher complying in all respects with...
- (iii) A soda acid chemical fire extinguisher complying in all...
- (iv) A water fire extinguisher complying in all respects with...

(v) A bromochlorodifluoromethane (B.C.F.) fire extinguisher with a liquid capacity...

PART II

A fire extinguisher which complies in all respects with the...

SCHEDULE 5 (see — FIRST AID EQUIPMENT

Regulation 36)

- (i) Ten antiseptic wipes, foil packed.
- (ii) One conforming disposable bandage (not less than 7.5 centimetres...
- (iii) Two triangular bandages.
- (iv) One packet of 24 assorted adhesive dressings.
- (v) Three large sterile unmedicated ambulance dressings (not less than...
- (vi) Two sterile eye pads, with attachments.

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(vii) Twelve assorted safety pins.(viii) One pair of rustless blunt-ended scissors.

SCHEDULE 6 (see — Regulation 47)

SCHEDULE 7 (see — Regulation 51)

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SCHEDULE 9 (see — Regulation 54)

Explanatory Note