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ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use)
(Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>5th September 1991</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>7th October 1991</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 41(1) and (5) of the Road Traffic Act 1988⁽¹⁾ and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 195(2) of that Act hereby makes the following Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No.3) Regulations 1991 and shall come into force on 7th October 1991.

Preliminary

2. The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986⁽²⁾ shall be further amended in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

Regulation 30 (view to the front)

3. In regulation 30(2) after “81/643” there shall be inserted “, 88/366, 90/630”.

Amendments to regulation 46 (seat belt anchorage points)

4.—(1) Regulation 46 shall be amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (4)(b), after “82/318” there shall be inserted “or 90/629” and after the words “Regulation 14” there shall be inserted the words “or 14.01 or 14.02”.

(3) In paragraph (4B)(a), after “82/318” there shall be added “or 90/629”.

(4) In paragraph (6), the word “and” immediately following sub-paragraph (a) shall be omitted, and for sub-paragraph (b) there shall be substituted the following paragraphs—

(1) 1988 c. 52.

(2) S.I.1986/1078; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1987/1133 and 1989/1478.

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- “(b) a seat is a “non protected seat” if it is not a front seat and the screen zones within the protected area have a combined surface area of less than 800cm²; and
- (c) “screen zone” and “protected area” in relation to a seat, shall be construed in accordance with paragraph 4.3.3 of Annex 1 to a Community Directive 81/575(3).”

Amendments to Regulation 47 (seat belts)

5.—(1) Regulation 47 shall be amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (3), after “77/541” there shall be inserted “or 82/319 or 90/628” and for the words “that Directive applies” there shall be substituted the words “those Directives apply”.

(3) In paragraph (8), in the definition of “designated approval mark” for the words “and 23A” there shall be substituted the words “, 23A and 23B”.

Amendments to Schedule 2

6.—(1) Table 1 of Schedule 2 shall be amended as follows.

(2) After item 55 there shall be inserted the following item—

“55A	88/366	17.5.88	L181, 12.7.88, p 40	Field of vision of motor vehicle drivers	77/649 as amended by 81/643”
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(3) After item 57, there shall be inserted the following items—

“58	90/628	30.10.90	L341, 6.12.90, p.1	Safety belts and restraint systems of motor vehicles	77/541 as amended by 81/576 and 82/319	12A
59	90/269	30.10.90	L341, 6.12.90, p.14	Anchorage for motor vehicle safety belts	76/115 as amended by 81/575 and 82/318	12A
60	90/360	30.10.90	L341, 6.12.90, p.20	Field of vision of motor vehicle drivers	77/649 as amended by 81/643 and 88/366”	

(3) “Community Directive” is defined in regulation 3 of and Schedule 2 to the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986. Relevant amendments to Schedule 2 are made by regulation 6 of these Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

5th September 1991

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986.

First they amend regulation 30 (view to the front of a motor vehicle) by enabling a vehicle to meet the requirements of the regulation by complying with Council Directive [77/649/EEC](#) as amended by Commission Directive [81/643/EEC](#), Commission Directive [88/366/EEC](#) and Commission Directive [90/630/EEC](#). A vehicle can, as before, meet the requirements of regulation 30 by complying with Council Directive [77/649/EEC](#) or with that Directive as amended by Commission Directive [81/643/EEC](#).

Secondly, they amend regulation 46 (seat belt anchorage points) by enabling a vehicle to meet the requirements of the regulation by complying with Council Directive [76/115/EEC](#) as amended by Council Directive [81/575/EEC](#) Commission Directive [82/318/EEC](#) and Commission Directive [90/629/EEC](#). A vehicle can, as before, meet the requirements of the regulation by complying with Council Directive [76/115/EEC](#) or with that directive as amended by Council Directive [82/318/EEC](#). The Regulations also make provisions for vehicles that comply with the provisions of ECE Regulation 14 as amended.

Thirdly, they amend regulation 47 (seat belts) so as to enable a vehicle to meet the requirements of the regulation by complying with Council Directive [77/541/EEC](#) as amended by Commission Directive [82/319/EEC](#) or with that Directive as further amended by Commission Directive [90/628/EEC](#). A vehicle can, as before, meet the requirements of regulation 47 by complying with Council Directive [77/541/EEC](#).

Copies of the ECE Regulations (and amendments) and of the EEC Directives (and amendments) referred to in these Regulations and in this note can be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office. The details of the ECE Regulations and the EEC Directives are set out in the Table below.

Principal Instrument	Relevant Amending Instruments
1. Council Directive 76/115/EEC of 18th December 1975 (OJ No. L24, 30.1.76, p.6).	Council Directive 81/575/EEC of 20th July 1981 (Oj No. L209, 29.7.81, p.30), Commission Directive 82/318/EEC of 2nd April 1982 (OJ No. L139, 19.5.82, p.9), and Commission Directive 90/629/EEC of 30th October 1990 (OJ No. L341, 6.12.90, p.14)
2. Council Directive 77/541/EEC of 28th June 1977 (OJ No. L220, 29.8.77, p.95).	Council Directive 81/576/EEC of 20th July 1981 (OJ No. L209, 29.7.81, p.32), Commission Directive 82/319/EEC of 2nd April 1982 (OJ No. L139, 19.5.82 p.17) and Commission Directive 90/628/EEC of 30th October 1990 (OJ No. L134, 6.12.90, p.1)
3. Council Directive 77/649/EEC of 27th September 1977 (OJ No. L267, 19.10.77, p.1).	Commission Directive 81/643/EEC of 29th July 1981 (OJ No. L231, 15.8.81, p.41), Commission Directive 88/366/EEC of 17th May 1988 (OJ No. L181, 12.7.88, p.40) and Commission Directive 90/630/EEC of 30th October 1990 (OJ No. L341, 6.12.90, p.20)

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Principal Instrument	Relevant Amending Instruments
<p>4. Regulation 14 dated 30th January 1970 and annexed to the Agreement concerning the adoption of uniform conditions of approval for motor vehicles equipment and parts and reciprocal recognition thereof concluded at Geneva on 20th March 1958 (Cmnd 2535) as amended (Cmnd 3562) to which the United Kingdom is party by an instrument of accession dated 14th January 1963 deposited with the Secretary General of the United Nations on 15th January 1963.</p>	<p>Revised on 28th April 1976, corrected on 4th August 1977, on 19th July 1978 and in September 1979, and amended and corrected on 22nd November 1984.</p>