STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 3285

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 8) Regulations 1992

Made - - - - 1992

Laid before Parliament 23rd December 1992

Coming into force - - 1st February 1993

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 41(1), (2) and (5) of the Road Traffic Act 1988(1), and all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance to 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. 8) Regulations 1992 and shall come into force on 1st February 1993.

Preliminary

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

Amendments to regulation 39 (fuel tanks)

- 3. In regulation 39—
 - (a) in paragraph (2), after "paragraphs (3)" there shall be inserted ", (3A)"; and
 - (b) after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—
 - "(3A) Sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph 2(c) shall not have effect in relation to a twowheeled motor cycle (with or without a side-car) first used on or after 1st February 1993."

^{(1) 1988} c. 52; section 41 is amended by paragraph 50 of Schedule 4 to the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c. 40) and by Schedule 8 to that Act.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1986/1078; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1990/2212, 1991/1526 and 1992/2137.

Amendments to regulation 61 (exhaust emissions)

4. In regulation 61(10B), sub-paragraph (g) shall be omitted.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Steven Norris
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Transport

22nd December 1992

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

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

Regulation 39 of the 1986 Regulations requires petrol tanks fitted to vehicles first used on or after the 1st July 1973 to be made of metal. The amendments exempt motor bicycles first used on or after 1st February 1993.

Regulation 61(10A) of the 1986 Regulations imposes limits on the carbon monoxide and hydrocarbon content of exhaust emissions from certain vehicles when the engines are idling. The provision applies only to vehicles with spark ignition engines. Previously, vehicles of Class V or VI within the meaning of the Motor Vehicles (Tests) Regulations 1981 (S.I.1981/1694) were exempt from this requirement. The amendments remove this exemption. The vehicles affected are public service vehicles and other vehicles which are constructed or adapted to carry more than 12 passengers.

Relevant amendments of the 1981 Regulations have been made by S.I. 1984/1126 and 1988/1894.