## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1996 No. 2824

# The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations 1996

## PART II

## LICENCES

### Applications for licences

#### Restrictions on the grant of large goods and passenger-carrying vehicle drivers' licences

10.—(1) An applicant for a large goods or passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence shall not, subject to paragraph (2), be granted a licence if, at the date from which the licence applied for is to take effect, any—

- (a) large goods or passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence held by him is suspended, or
- (b) Northern Ireland large goods or passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence held by him is suspended,

under section 115 of the Traffic Act or, as the case may be, under the provision of the law for the time being in force in Northern Ireland corresponding to that enactment.

(2) A person may apply for a large goods vehicle driver's licence notwithstanding that, at the date from which the licence applied for is to take effect, any passenger-carrying vehicle driver's licence held by him is suspended and such suspension relates to his conduct other than as a driver of a motor vehicle.

(3) An applicant for an LGV trainee driver's licence—

- (a) must be a registered employee of a registered employer (within the meaning of regulation 51), and
- (b) must not be a person who—
  - (i) has been convicted (or is to be treated as if he had been convicted) of an offence as a result of which the number of penalty points to be taken into account under section 29 of the Offenders Act at the date of the application exceeds three, or
  - (ii) has at any time been disqualified by a court for holding or obtaining a licence or by a court in Northern Ireland for holding or obtaining a Northern Ireland licence, and
- (c) must satisfy the licensing authority that he holds a Certificate of Professional Competence issued by the Road Haulage and Distribution Training Council stating that the applicant has completed a course of induction training in the driving of goods vehicles which meets the requirements of Council Directive 76/914/EEC(1).