Consequential amendments etc.

6.—(1) The enactments mentioned in the Schedule to this Order shall have effect with the amendments specified in that Schedule.

(2) Subject to paragraph (1), any enactment or instrument passed or made before the commencement of this Order shall have effect, so far as may be necessary for the purposes of or in consequence of—

(a) article 3(1), (2) or (5) or 4, or

(b) the entrusting to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions of the functions mentioned in paragraph (3),

as if any reference to the Secretary of State for the Environment or the Secretary of State for Transport (or to those Secretaries of State acting jointly), to the Department of the Environment or of Transport or to an officer of the Secretary of State for the Environment or of the Secretary of State for Transport (including any reference which is to be construed as such a reference) were a reference to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, to the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions or, as the case may be, to an officer of the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

(3) The functions referred to in paragraph (2) are the functions which were entrusted to—

(a) the Secretary of State for the Environment, or

(b) the Secretary of State for Transport,

immediately before 1st May 1997 and which have, before the making of this Order, been entrusted to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

(4) Subject to paragraph (1), any enactment or instrument passed or made before the commencement of this Order shall have effect, so far as may be necessary for the purposes of or in consequence of article 3(3), (4) or (5), as if any reference to the Secretary of State for the Environment or the Secretary of State for Transport (or to those Secretaries of State acting jointly), to the Department of the Environment or of Transport or to an officer of the Secretary of State for the Environment or of the Secretary of State for Transport (including any reference which is to be construed as such a reference) were a reference to the Secretary of State, to the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions or, as the case may be, to an officer of the Secretary of State.

(5) Documents or forms printed for use in connection with any function transferred by article 3 or mentioned in paragraph (3) above may be used in connection with those functions notwithstanding that they contain, or are to be construed as containing, references to the Secretary of State for the Environment, or the Secretary of State for Transport, or to any officer or Department of his; and for the purposes of the use of any such documents or forms after the coming into force of this Order, those references shall be construed as references to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions (or, as the case may be, the Secretary of State), an officer of his or, as the case may be, the Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.
(6) In this article, “instrument”, without prejudice to the generality of that expression, includes in particular Royal Charters, Orders in Council, Letters Patent, judgments, decrees, orders, rules, regulations, schemes, bye-laws, awards, contracts and other agreements, memoranda and articles of association, warrants, certificates and other documents.