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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 2958**

**HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 1998**

*Made* - - - - *1st December 1998*

*Coming into force* - - *1st January 1999*

The Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 9(2)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Severn Bridges Tolls Order 1998 and shall, in accordance with section 9(2)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (in this Order referred to as “the Act”), come into force on 1st January 1999.

2. The tolls leviable in respect of vehicles within the categories referred to in section 8(1) of the Act using either of the bridges shall be as follows:—

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Category 1 vehicles	£4.20
Category 2 vehicles	£8.40
Category 3 vehicles	£12.50

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3. The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 1997(2) is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State of the Environment, Transport and the Regions

*Larry Whitty*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department of the Environment, Transport and  
the Regions

1st December 1998

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(1) 1992 c. 3.  
(2) S.I.1997/2947.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

Section 9(2)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (“the Act”) provides for the tolls for the use of the bridges to be fixed by annual orders made in December of each year. This Order fixes the tolls payable for use of the Severn Bridge and the Second Severn Crossing during the year 1999.

The tolls will be payable only for traffic travelling from east to west and for vehicles (other than those exempted by section 8(5) of the Act) within the categories specified in section 8(1) of the Act. These are (1) motor cars and motor caravans, (2) small goods vehicles and small buses and (3) other goods vehicles and buses.

In accordance with section 9 of this Act, the toll for each category has been fixed by adjusting the amounts shown in the table in section 9(3) by the percentage increase in the Retail Prices Index between March 1989 and September 1998 and applying the rounding provisions of section 9(6).

The tolls levied in 1998 were as follows:–

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Category 1 vehicles	£4.00
Category 2 vehicles	£8.10
Category 3 vehicles	£12.10

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