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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 3293**

**The Quality Partnership Schemes (Wales) Regulations 2009**

**PART 1**

**GENERAL**

**Interpretation**

**2.—(1)** In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Transport Act 2000;

“the 1981 Act” means the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981<sup>(1)</sup>;

“the 1985 Act” means the Transport Act 1985<sup>(2)</sup>;

“admissible objection” has the meaning given in regulation 7;

“authority” means a local transport authority<sup>(3)</sup>;

“lead authority” means—

(a) the authority which has made, or is proposing to make, a scheme; or

(b) where regulation 3 applies, the authority named as the lead authority in the notice of a proposed scheme given under section 115(1) of the Act;

“objector” means an operator who has made an objection in accordance with regulation 8;

“relevant operator” has the meaning given in regulations 5 and 6;

“scheme” means a quality partnership scheme;

“traffic commissioner” means, except for the purposes of regulations 5 and 7, the traffic commissioner for the Welsh Traffic Area.

(2) Any period of days prescribed in these Regulations is to be calculated excluding any day which is Christmas Day, Good Friday, or a day which is a bank holiday in England and Wales under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971<sup>(4)</sup>.

(3) In these Regulations, where a person is required to consider whether an operator could be expected to secure an “appropriate rate of return” for operating services of a particular standard specified in any proposed or existing scheme, that person must have regard to the typical rates of return for operating local services of a comparable nature elsewhere in Wales.

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(1) 1981 c. 14.

(2) 1985 c. 67.

(3) The term “local transport authority” is defined in section 108(4) of the Transport Act 2000.

(4) 1971 c. 80.