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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 1320**

**The Road Traffic Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order 1996**

**PART IV**

**FIXED PENALTIES**

*Proceedings in fixed penalty cases*

**Documents signed by the accused**

**86.**—(1) Where—

- (a) any person is charged with a fixed penalty offence, and
- (b) the complainant produces to the court a document to which this paragraph applies purporting to have been signed by the accused,

the document shall be presumed, unless the contrary is proved, to have been signed by the accused and shall be evidence in the proceedings of any facts stated in it tending to show that the accused was the owner, the hirer or the driver of the vehicle concerned at a particular time.

(2) Paragraph (1) applies to any document purporting to be—

- (a) a notice requesting a hearing in respect of the offence charged given in accordance with a fixed penalty notice relating to that offence, or
- (b) a statutory statement of any description defined in Schedule 2 or a copy of a statement of liability within the meaning of Article 71 provided in response to a notice to owner.