

1994 No. 190

ROADS

ROAD TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES

**Motorways Traffic (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1994**

<i>Made</i>	16th May 1994
<i>Coming into operation</i>	1st July 1994

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 20(3) of the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Motorways Traffic (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1994.

Amendment

2. For regulation 11 of the Motorways Traffic Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(b) substitute the following regulation—

“11.—(1) Subject to paragraph 2, a motor vehicle shall not be driven on a motorway by a person who is authorised to drive that vehicle only by virtue of his being the holder of a provisional licence granted under Article 13(3) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, unless since the date of coming into force of that licence, he has passed a test prescribed under Article 5(3) of that Order, entitling him to be granted a full licence, authorising him to drive that vehicle on a road.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a large goods vehicle or to a passenger-carrying vehicle.

(3) A motor vehicle shall not be driven on a motorway by a person who holds a licence which authorises him to drive motor vehicles of certain classes only but which also authorises him under Article 14(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 to drive all other classes of motor vehicle unless the vehicle belongs to the first mentioned classes.

(a) S.I. 1993/3160 (N.I. 15); see Article 2(2) for the definition of “the Department”

(b) S.R. 1984 No. 160

(4) In this regulation “large goods vehicle” and “passenger-carrying vehicle” have the meanings assigned to those terms by Article 78 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a).”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on
16th May 1994.

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E. J. Galway

Assistant Secretary

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- (a) Articles 5(3), 13(3) and 14(2) of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)), were substituted by Sch. 1 to S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3) and Article 78 of S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1) was substituted by Sch. 3 of S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Motorways Traffic Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 (the “1984 Regulations”).

Regulation 11 of the 1984 Regulations prevents vehicles being driven by certain learner drivers on a motorway. As a consequence of amendments made to the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/154 (N.I. 1)) by the Road Traffic (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I. 1991/197 (N.I. 3)) Regulation 11 has been substituted to—

- (a) make it possible for a person to drive on a motorway when learning to drive certain large goods vehicles and certain vehicles constructed and adapted to carry more than 8 passengers; and
- (b) update references in relation to vehicles not to be driven on motorways by learner drivers.

Any person who acts in contravention of Regulation 11 of the 1984 Regulations shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale (£1,000).