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**Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999**

Part II

Construction, Equipment and Maintenance of Vehicles

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Minibuses

Construction

50. The requirements specified in Schedule 6 shall apply to a minibus first used on or after 1st October 1990 except a vehicle—

- (a) manufactured by Land Rover UK Limited and known as the Land Rover; or
- (b) constructed or adapted for the secure transport of prisoners.

Fire extinguishing apparatus

51.—(1) A person shall not use, or cause or permit to be used, on a road a minibus first used on or after 1st October 1990 unless it carries suitable and efficient apparatus for extinguishing fire which is of a type specified in Part I of Schedule 7.

(2) The apparatus referred to in paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) readily available for use;
- (b) clearly marked with the appropriate British Standards Institution specification number; and
- (c) maintained in good and efficient working order.

(3) This regulation does not apply to a vehicle manufactured by Land Rover UK Limited and known as the Land Rover.

First aid equipment

52.—(1) A person shall not use, or cause or permit to be used, on a road a minibus first used on or after 1st October 1990 unless it carries a receptacle which contains the items of first aid equipment specified in Part II of Schedule 7.

(2) The receptacle referred to in paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) maintained in a good condition;
- (b) suitable for the purpose of keeping the items in good condition;
- (c) readily available for use; and

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(d) prominently marked as a first aid receptacle.

(3) The items referred to in paragraph (1) shall be maintained in good condition and shall be of a good and reliable quality and of a suitable design.

(4) This regulation does not apply to a vehicle manufactured by Land Rover UK Limited and known as the Land Rover.

Carriage of dangerous substances

53.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a person shall not use, or cause or permit to be used, on a road a minibus by which any highly inflammable or otherwise dangerous substance is carried unless that substance is carried in containers so designed and constructed, and unless the substance is so packed, that, notwithstanding an accident to the vehicle, it is unlikely that damage to the vehicle or injury to passengers in the vehicle, will be caused by the substance.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply in relation to the electrolyte of a battery installed in an electric wheelchair provided that the wheelchair is securely fixed to the vehicle.

(3) This regulation does not apply to a vehicle manufactured by Land Rover UK Limited and known as the Land Rover.