

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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

Part IV

Conditions Relating to Use

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Trailers and Sidecars

Number of trailers

95.—(1) A person shall not use, or cause or permit to be used, on a road a wheeled vehicle of a class specified in an item in column 2 of the Table drawing a trailer, subject to any exceptions which may be specified in that item in column 3.

TABLE

(regulation 95(1))

(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Class of vehicle</i>	(3) <i>Exceptions</i>
1.	A straddle carrier	—
2.	An invalid carriage	—
3.	A bus not being a minibus	(a) (a) 1 broken-down bus where no person other than the driver is carried in either vehicle; or (b) 1 trailer.
4.	A locomotive	3 trailers.
5.	A motor tractor	1 trailer, 2 trailers if neither is laden.
6.	A heavy motor car or a motor car not described in item 1 or 3	2 trailers if one of them is a towing implement and part of the other is secured to and either rests on or is suspended from that implement. 1 trailer in any other case.

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(1) <i>Item</i>	(2) <i>Class of vehicle</i>	(3) <i>Exceptions</i>
7.	An agricultural motor vehicle	(a) (a) in respect of trailers other than agricultural trailers and agricultural trailed appliances, such trailers as are permitted under items 4, 5, or 6 as the case may be; or (b) in respect of agricultural trailers and agricultural trailed appliances— (i) 2 unladen agricultural trailers, or (ii) 1 agricultural trailer and 1 agricultural trailed appliance, or (iii) 2 agricultural trailed appliances.

(2) For the purposes of items 4, 5 and 6 of the Table—

- (a) an unladen articulated vehicle, when being drawn by another motor vehicle because it has broken down, shall be treated as a single trailer; and
- (b) a towed roller used for the purposes of agriculture, horticulture or forestry and consisting of several separate rollers shall be treated as one agricultural trailed appliance.

(3) No track-laying motor vehicle which exceeds 8m in overall length shall draw a trailer other than a broken-down vehicle which is being drawn in consequence of the breakdown.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation, the word “trailer” does not include a vehicle which is drawn by a steam powered vehicle and which is used solely for carrying water for the purpose of the drawing vehicle.