



# Transport Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 55

### *General*

#### **24 Commencement; interpretation; repeals.**

(1) This Act shall come into force on a day appointed by the Secretary of State by order in a statutory instrument; and different days may be so appointed for different provisions and different purposes.

(2) In this Act—

.....<sup>F1</sup>  
“the <sup>M1</sup>1962 Act” means the Transport Act 1962;  
“the <sup>M2</sup>1968 Act” means the Transport Act 1968;

.....<sup>F2</sup>  
“B.R.” means the British Railways Board;  
“N.C.L.” means National Carriers Limited;  
“N.F.C.” means the National Freight Corporation; and  
“subsidiary” means the same as in the 1962 Act.

(3) A reference in this Act to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, extended or applied by or under any other enactment, including this Act.

(4) The enactments specified in Schedule 4 to this Act are repealed to the extent specified in the third column of the Schedule.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Definition of “the 1960 Act” repealed by [Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981 \(c. 14, SIF 107:1\)](#), [Sch. 8](#)

**F2** Definition of “the 1972 Act” repealed by [Road Traffic \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1988 \(c. 54, SIF 107:1\)](#), s. 3, [Sch. 1 Part I](#) (with [Sch. 4 paras. 1–3](#))

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** Power of appointment conferred by s. 24(1) fully exercised: [S.I. 1978/1150](#), 1187, 1289
- C2** The text of ss. 9, 15(5), 16, 22, 24(4) and Schs. 3 and 4 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

- M1** [1962 c. 46.](#)
- M2** [1968 c. 73.](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 24(2) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 4](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 21A by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 4](#)