



Road Traffic (Driver Licensing and Information Systems) Act 1989

CHAPTER 22

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Energy Act 1976 (c.76)

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Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981 (c.14)

2 In section 24 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981...

3 In section 46(1) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981...

Transport Act 1985 (c.67)

4 In section 18 of the Transport Act 1985 (exemption from...

5 In section 23(2) of the Transport Act 1985 (conditions of...

Road Traffic Act 1988 (c.52)

6 In section 23 of the 1988 Act (restriction on carriage...

7 In section 87 of the 1988 Act (drivers obliged to...

8 In section 89 of the 1988 Act (tests of competence...

9 In section 97(1) of the 1988 Act (licences to be...

10 In section 97(3) of the 1988 Act (provisional licences), in...

11 In section 98 of the 1988 Act (form of licence...

12 In section 99 of the 1988 Act (duration of licences)—...

13 In section 103 of the 1988 Act (obtaining licence, or...

14 In section 105 of the 1988 Act (regulations), in subsection...

15 In section 108(1) of the 1988 Act (interpretation)—

16 In section 109 of the 1988 Act (driving in Great...

17 In section 121(2) of the 1988 Act (heavy goods vehicle...

18 In section 164 of the 1988 Act (production to constables...

19 In section 165(4) of the 1988 Act (defence in case...

20 For section 166 of the 1988 Act (powers of certain...

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22 In section 173(2) of the 1988 Act (forgery of documents,...

23 For section 183(6) of the 1988 Act (discharge of Part...

24 In section 192(3) of the 1988 Act (interpretation of references...

Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 (c.53)

25 In section 45 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988...

26 In section 98(3) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988...

27 In Schedule 1 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988—...

28 In Schedule 2 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988,...

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30 In Schedule 5 to the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988—...

SCHEDULE 4 — Driver Information System Licences: Application of Acts to Licence Holders

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- 1 Sections 271 to 274 of the Town and Country Planning...
- 2 Section 224 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act...
- 3 (1) The Highways Act 1980 shall be amended as provided...
- 4 Part 10 of Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003...
- 5 (1) The Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 shall be amended as...

SCHEDULE 5 — Driver Information Systems: Undertakers' Works

Preliminary

- 1 The following provisions of this Schedule apply where a relevant...

Notice of proposed works

- 2 (1) The relevant undertaker shall, not less than 10 days...

Counter-notices

- 3 Where a notice has been given under paragraph 2 above...
- 4 Where a counter-notice given under paragraph 3 above states that...
- 5 Where a counter-notice given under paragraph 3 above states that...

Execution of works

- 6 Where— (a) no counter-notice is given under paragraph 3 above,...

Penalty

- 7 (1) If the relevant undertaker or any of his agents—...

Definitions

- 8 In this Schedule— “relevant undertaker” means— (a) any person or...

SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 6 by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 5\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 7(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2005/886 Sch. para. 46](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 11(c)(ii) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 5\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 15(g) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 5\(1\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 2(b) repealed by [2006 c. 49 Sch. 7\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 16(b) repealed by [2006 c. 49 Sch. 7\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 25 repealed by [2006 c. 49 Sch. 7\(4\)](#)

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

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

- Sch. 3 para. 18(b)(d) by [2000 c. 38 s. 274Sch. 31 Pt. 5\(1\)](#)