



# Road Traffic (Driver Licensing and Information Systems) Act 1989

## 1989 CHAPTER 22

### PART I

#### DRIVING LICENCES

#### 2 Special provisions relating to licensing of drivers of LGVs and PCVs.

- (1) There shall be inserted as Part IV of the 1988 Act the provisions set out in Schedule 2 to this Act which—
- (a) apply both to the licensing of the drivers of large goods vehicles and to the licensing of the drivers of passenger-carrying vehicles (as there defined); and
  - (b) re-enact and assimilate certain of the provisions of Part IV of the 1988 Act (as originally enacted) and of section 22 of the 1981 Act to take account of the abolition by section 1 above of special licences to drive heavy goods vehicles and public service vehicles and the granting after the appointed day of licences to drive such vehicles under Part III of the 1988 Act.
- (2) After section 99(1) of the 1988 Act (duration of licences) there shall be inserted the following subsection—
- “(1A) In so far as a licence authorises its holder to drive any prescribed class of goods vehicle or passenger-carrying vehicle, it shall, unless previously revoked, suspended or surrendered, remain in force—
- (a) except in a case falling within paragraph (c) or (d) of this subsection—
    - (i) for the period ending on the forty-fifth anniversary of the applicant’s date of birth or for a period of five years, whichever is the longer, or
    - (ii) where the applicant’s age at the date on which the licence is to come into force will exceed forty-five but not sixty-five years, for the period ending on the sixty-sixth anniversary

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of the applicant's date of birth or for a period of five years, whichever is the shorter,

- (b) except in a case falling within paragraph (d) of this subsection, where the applicant's age at that date will exceed sixty-five years, for a period of one year,
- (c) except in a case falling within paragraph (b) or (d) of this subsection, if the Secretary of State so determines in the case of a licence to be granted to a person appearing to him to be suffering from a relevant or prospective disability, for such period of not more than three years and not less than one year as the Secretary of State may determine, and
- (d) in the case of a licence granted in exchange for a subsisting licence and in pursuance of an application requesting a licence for the period authorised by this paragraph, for a period equal to the remainder of that for which the subsisting licence was granted,

and any such period shall begin with the date on which the licence in question is expressed to come into force.”

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 2 wholly in force at 1.4.1991 see s. 17(2) and S.I. 1990/2610, art. 2, **Sch.**

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**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. 274](#)[Sch. 31 Pt. 5\(1\)](#)