



# Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994

## 1994 CHAPTER 22

### PART II

#### REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

##### *Registration*

#### 21 Registration of vehicles.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1) Subject to subsection (3), on the issue by the Secretary of State for a vehicle which is not registered under this section of either—

- (a) a vehicle licence, or
- (b) a nil licence,

the Secretary of State shall register the vehicle in such manner as he thinks fit without any further application by the person to whom the licence is issued.]

(2) [<sup>F2</sup>Subject to subsection (3)] Where particulars in respect of a vehicle are furnished to the Secretary of State in accordance with regulations under section 24 before he first issues a vehicle licence for the vehicle, he shall so register the vehicle on receiving the particulars.

[<sup>F3</sup>(3) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that in such circumstances as may be prescribed by the regulations a vehicle shall not be registered under this section until a fee of such amount as may be so prescribed is paid.

<sup>F3</sup>(4) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision about repayment of any sum paid by way of a fee mentioned in subsection (3), and the regulations may in particular include provision—

- (a) that repayment shall be made only if a specified person is satisfied that specified conditions are met or in other specified circumstances;
- (b) that repayment shall be made in part only;
- (c) that, in the case of partial repayment, the amount repaid shall be a specified sum or determined in a specified manner;

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(d) for repayment of different amounts in different circumstances;  
and “specified” here means specified in the regulations.]

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 21(1) substituted (1.4.1998) by 1997 c. 16, s. 18, **Sch. 3 para. 2**; S.I. 1998/560, **art. 2**  
**F2** Words in s. 21(1)(2) inserted (1.5.1995) by 1995 c. 4, s. 19, **Sch. 4 Pt. VI para. 33**  
**F3** S. 21(3)(4) inserted (1.5.1995) by 1995 c. 4, s. 19, **Sch. 4 Pt. VI para. 33**

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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):

- s. 7(1A) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 47\(2\)](#)
- s. 7(5)(za) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 47\(3\)](#)
- s. 22(1)(aa) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 47\(6\)](#)
- s. 22(1AA) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 47\(9\)](#)
- s. 22(1BA) inserted by [2006 c. 49 s. 47\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 1N inserted by [2023 c. 1 s. 10\(5\)\(e\)\(7\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 20G(2)(za)-(zc) inserted by [2023 c. 1 s. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(i\)\(7\)](#)