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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness,  
Equipment, Use and Certification) Regulations 1981**

**PART III**

**REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE  
EQUIPMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES**

**Fire extinguishing apparatus**

**35.**—(1) There shall be carried by every vehicle being used before 31st December 1988 suitable and efficient apparatus for extinguishing fire which is of either one or more of the types specified in Part I of Schedule 4 or one or more of the types specified in Part II of Schedule 4, and by every vehicle being used on or after 31st December 1988 suitable and efficient apparatus for extinguishing fire which is of either one or more of the types specified in Part II of Schedule 4.

(2) The apparatus referred to in paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) readily available for use,
- (b) clearly marked with the appropriate British Standards Institution specification number, and
- (c) maintained in good and efficient working order.

**First aid equipment**

**36.**—(1) There shall be carried by every vehicle being used as an express carriage or as a contract carriage a receptacle which contains the items specified in Schedule 5.

(2) The receptacle referred to in paragraph (1) shall be—

- (a) maintained in a good condition,
- (b) suitable for the purposes of keeping the items referred to in the said paragraph in good condition,
- (c) readily available for use, and
- (d) prominently marked as a first aid receptacle.

(3) The items referred to in paragraph (1) shall be maintained in good condition and shall be of a good and reliable quality and of a suitable design.