

1986 No. 368

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment)
(England and Wales) Order 1986**

Made - - - - - 27th February 1986

Laid before Parliament 10th March 1986

Coming into Operation 1st April 1986

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by section 5 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968(a) and now vested in him(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) (England and Wales) Order 1986 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1986.

(2) In this order “the Act” means the Road Traffic Act 1972(c).

Extent

2. This order does not extend to Scotland.

Maximum payments for hospital treatment of traffic casualties

3. Subject to Article 5 of this order, in the proviso to section 154(1) of the Act(d) (maximum amounts of payments under the subsection by authorised insurers or owners of vehicles for hospital treatment of traffic casualties as in-patients or out-patients), for the sum of £1,777 there shall be substituted the sum of £1892.50 and for the sum of £177.70 there shall be substituted the sum of £189.25.

Payments for emergency treatment of traffic casualties

4. Subject to Article 5 of this order, in section 155(1) of the Act(e) (payments by users of vehicles of fees and mileage allowances in respect of emergency treatment), for the sum of £13.32 there shall be substituted the sum of £14.19 and for the sum of 26 pence there shall be substituted the sum of 28 pence.

(a) 1968 c. 14; see also Road Traffic Act 1972, Schedule 10, paragraph 3.

(b) See the Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1699), Article 2.

(c) 1972 c. 20.

(d) Section 154(1) was amended by S.I. 1980/111, 1982/1194 and 1985/202.

(e) Section 155(1) was amended by S.I. 1980/111, 1981/929, 1982/1194 and 1985/202.

Application

5. This order shall apply only where an accident giving rise to the death or bodily injury in respect of which a payment is made under section 154 of the Act, or claimed under section 155 of the Act, occurs after the coming into operation of this order.

Signed by authority of the
Secretary of State for Social Services.

R. W. Whitney,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health and Social Security.

27th February 1986.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order varies the amounts and maximum amounts payable under sections 154(1) and 155(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972 in respect of accidents occurring on or after 1st April 1986. Section 154(1) provides for payments in specified circumstances to be made by owners or insurers of motor vehicles in respect of hospital treatment of traffic casualties and for maximum payments. This order increases the maximum payment from £1,777 to £1,892.50 for an in-patient and from £177.70 to £189.25 for an out-patient. Section 155(1) provides for payments in specified circumstances to be made by vehicle users to medical practitioners who give emergency treatment to traffic casualties, the payments consisting of a fee and a mileage allowance (for each mile over 2 travelled by the practitioner to and from the accident). This order increases that fee from £13.32 to £14.19 and increases the mileage allowance from 26 pence to 28 pence.

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