
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 3107

Motor Vehicles (EC Type Approval) Regulations 1992

**PART I
PRELIMINARY**

Commencement, citation and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (EC Type Approval) Regulations 1992.

(2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st January 1996 for the purposes of—

(a) regulation 10, and

(b) regulation 16 in so far as it relates to paragraphs 2, 3, 6 and 7 of Schedule 2,

and on 1st January 1993 for all other purposes.

(3) Regulation 16 of, and Schedule 2 to, these Regulations do not extend to Northern Ireland.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the 1981 Order” means the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(1);

“the 1988 Act” means the Road Traffic Act 1988(2);

“the 1980 Regulations” means the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) Regulations 1980(3);

“the 1987 Regulations” means the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (EEC) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(4);

“the Directive” except in the expression “separate Directive”, means Council Directive [70/156/EEC](#)(5) as amended by Council Directive [87/403/EEC](#)(6) and Council Directive [92/53/EEC](#)(7);

“EC certificate of conformity” means any certificate of conformity issued by a manufacturer(a) under regulation 4 of these Regulations, or (b) under any provision of the law of a member State other than the United Kingdom giving effect to Article 6 of the Directive;

“EC type approval certificate” means a type approval certificate issued by a member State—

(a) under regulation 3(5) of these Regulations, or

(1) S.I. [1981/154 \(N.I. 1\)](#); Article 31A was inserted by S.I. [1985/755 \(N.I. 6\)](#).

(2) [1988 c. 52](#).

(3) S.I. [1980/1182](#), as amended by S.I. [1982/7](#) and [1988/1103](#). The other amending instruments are revoked by Schedule 3 to these Regulations.

(4) [S.R. \(N.I.\) 1987 No. 306](#), as amended by [S.R. \(N.I.\) 1988 No. 310](#) and [403](#). The other amending instruments are revoked by Schedule 3 to these Regulations.

(5) OJNo. L42, 23.2.70, p.1.

(6) OJ No. L220, 8.8.87, p.44.

(7) OJ No. L225, 10.8.92, p.1.

- (b) under any provision of the law of a member State other than the United Kingdom giving effect to Article 4 of the Directive;

“EC type approval” means—

- (a) vehicle type approval in relation to a light passenger vehicle granted pursuant to the Directive, and
- (b) system, component or separate technical unit type approval granted pursuant to a separate Directive,

and references to an application for EC type approval and other cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;

“light passenger vehicle” has the same meaning as in Part II of the 1988 Act; and “separate Directive” means a Directive specified in column (2) of an item in Schedule 1 to these Regulations as read with the Directives (if any) specified in column (3) of that item.

(2) Other expressions used in these Regulations which are also used in the Directive shall have the same meaning as in the Directive and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly.

(3) Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference in these Regulations to—

- (a) a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation bearing that number in these Regulations, and
- (b) a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in the regulation in which the reference appears.