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ROAD TRAFFIC, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits for Naval,
Military and Air Force Vehicles) (England and Wales)
Regulations 2015**

Made - - - - *7th September 2015*
Laid before Parliament *9th September 2015*
Coming into force - - *1st October 2015*

The Secretary of State for Transport makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 130(3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 134(2)(b) of that Act.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits for Naval, Military and Air Force Vehicles) (England and Wales) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 1st October 2015.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

Variation of speed limit for naval, military and air force track-laying vehicles

2.—(1) Schedule 6 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (speed limits for vehicles of certain classes) is amended as follows.

(2) In the table in Part III (track-laying vehicles), after item 5 insert—

“6.	A motor vehicle of a class specified in item 1 or 2 above, or in item 5 as a result of paragraph (a) of the class description of that item, which— (a) is being used for naval, military or air force purposes, (b) is being driven by persons for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown, and
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(a) 1984 c.27. Section 130 has been amended but none of the amendments are relevant to these Regulations.

(b) Section 134(2) has been amended by the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 (c.54), section 126, Schedule 7, paragraph 4 and the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22), section 168(1), Schedule 8, Part II, paragraph 77.

(c) is being used in England or Wales.

(3) In paragraph 4 of Part IV (application and interpretation)—

- (a) the existing text becomes sub-paragraph (1);
- (b) after sub-paragraph (1) insert—

“(2) A vehicle falling in the class specified in item 6 in Part III shall be treated as falling in that class (and not as also falling in any other class).”

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

7th September 2015

Andrew Jones
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the maximum speed in miles per hour at which a motor vehicle that is a track-laying vehicle, or is used to draw a trailer that is a track-laying vehicle, can be driven on the road for naval, military or air force purposes by a person who is for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown.

Regulation 2 amends Parts III and IV of Schedule 6 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 so that naval, military or air force motor vehicles that are track-laying vehicles, or are used to draw trailers that are track-laying vehicles are able to travel at a maximum speed of 40 mph on roads in England and Wales on the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown.

An impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector is annexed to the Explanatory Memorandum which is available alongside these Regulations on www.legislation.gov.uk.

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