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I, DARRAGH O'BRIEN, Minister for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving full effect to Regulation (EC) No. 561/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2024/1258 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 April 2024<sup>2</sup>, hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Road Transport) (Working Conditions and Road Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2025.

2. In these Regulations—

“Regulations of 2023” means European Union (Road Transport) (Working Conditions and Road Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I. No. 567 of 2023);

“Principal Regulations” means European Union (Road Transport) (Working Conditions and Road Safety) Regulations 2017 (S.I. No. 229 of 2017).

3. Regulation 2(1) of the Principal Regulations is amended by substituting for the definition of “First Council Regulation” (inserted by Regulation 3(a)(i) of the Regulations of 2023) the following:

“‘First Council Regulation’ means Council Regulation 561/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EC) No. 1073/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009<sup>3</sup>, the Second Council Regulation, Regulation (EU) 2020/1054 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2020<sup>4</sup> and Regulation (EU) 2024/1258 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 April 2024<sup>2</sup>;”.

4. The Principal Regulations are amended—

- (a) in Regulation 41(1)(a), by substituting “16(2), (3), (4)(a) or (4)(b)” for “16(2) or (3)” (inserted by Regulation 24(a) of the Regulations of 2023), and
- (b) in Regulation 44(1)(b), by inserting “16(4)” after “12.”.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ No. L 102, 11.4.2006, p. 1

<sup>2</sup> OJ No. L 1258, 2.5.2024, p. 1

<sup>3</sup> OJ No. L 300, 14.11.2009, p. 88

<sup>4</sup> OJ No. L 249, 31.7.2020, p. 1

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GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
6 May, 2025.

DARRAGH O'BRIEN,  
Minister for Transport.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)*

The purpose of these Regulations is to amend the European Union (Road Transport) (Working Conditions and Road Safety) Regulations 2017 (S.I. No. 229 of 2017) in line with the amendments made to Regulation (EC) 561/2006 by Regulation (EU) 2024/1258 of 24 April 2024 in regards to minimum requirements on minimum breaks and daily and weekly rest periods in the occasional passenger transport sector.

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