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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards & Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

Department of the Environment Transport & the Regions: Vehicle Standards and Engineering Division

4. Notification Number

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5. Title

The Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 2000

6. Products Concerned

Passenger vehicles (category M1) and light goods vehicles (category N1); certain other goods vehicles with a design gross weight not exceeding 5,500 kg; certain 3 wheeled vehicles having a maximum unladen weight of more than 410kg.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

These Regulations replace the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 1996 and establish a revised system of Single Vehicle Approval (SVA) and some new technical standards for approving the design and construction of single vehicles before they enter into service in Great Britain.

The present 'personal import' rules are altered to avoid abuse and to ensure that imports up to 10 years old are tested, thus improving the standards of second-hand imported cars.

Enhanced safety, security (anti-theft) and environmental standards are introduced for the majority of cars requiring Single Approval. The requirements for light goods vehicles are broadly aligned with those for cars. Minority classes of vehicle - amateur-built/kit cars, specialist vehicles produced in very low numbers, vehicles converted for the disabled, left-hand drive vehicles, vehicles manufactured using parts of a registered vehicle, rebuilt vehicles and genuine personal imports - will continue to be approved to the existing (standard) SVA requirements.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Article 1 of Directive 70/156/EEC excludes vehicles approved singly from the type-approval regime otherwise applicable. The proposed regulations will ensure that vehicles without a valid type-approval meet high safety, environmental and anti-theft standards before they enter service - but without any barriers to trade within the EEA.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Draft statutory instrument: The Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 2000

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No



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Single Market for goods Prevention of Technical Barriers

14. Fiscal measures No

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