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2. Member State

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3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

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5. Title

Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998

6. Products Concerned

Passenger rail rolling stock

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The purpose of the regulations is to set accessibility standards for passenger rail vehicles to ensure that disabled people, including those who need to travel in their own wheelchair, can get on and off rail vehicles in safety, and travel in them in safety and reasonable comfort.

The UK is unaware of any other national access standards for rail vehicles, but the regulations can be modified in the light of any standards which emerge. The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/198/EEC (as amended) when these regulations are officially published.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

These regulations are made under the UK's Disability Discrimination Act 1995, which seeks to remove discrimination

against disabled people in transport, as well as in other areas of life.

Precise technical standards are required to ensure that the resulting vehicles can accommodate disabled passengers generally, including those who use wheelchairs.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

A. The Disability Discrimination Act 1995, the Rail Vehicle Accessibility Regulations 1998, the Rail Vehicles (Exemption Applications) Regulations 1998, A Statutory Consultation.

B. -

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11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

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12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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