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Road Traffic - Road Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (General) Order 2003

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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 and Technical Regulations Directorate

3. Originating Department

The Department for Transport

4. Notification Number

2003/0089/UK – T00T

5. Title

Road Traffic - Road Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (General) Order 2003



6. Products Concerned

Motor Vehicle that are Special Purpose or Special Type and cannot therefore be expected to meet the normal regulatory requirements of the Road Traffic Act Section 41 regulations with regard to their construction and use on UK roads. Such vehicles are typically used for the carriage of Abnormal Indivisible Loads or are other Large or Heavy Types, which cannot comply with National or EU, agreed (96/53/EC) standard vehicle use legislation. Such vehicle orders are specifically permitted in UK by Section 44 of the 1988 Road Traffic Act. In other EU countries such vehicles will also be subject to member states own Legislative National requirements.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Road Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (General) Order 2003 updates and replaces for new vehicles the previous order. "The Motor Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) General Order 1979 (Statutory Instrument No. 1198)" It permits the road use of vehicles, which are usually longer, wider and or heavier than would be permitted by the "standard vehicle regulations". Because there are many "special type" and "special purpose" vehicles that require road use. But that cannot due to there essential work requirements be reasonably constructed to meet fully all the otherwise applicable "standard vehicle regulations. The RTA Section 41 "Standard Regulations" are The Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 S.I. 1078 as amended, The Road Vehicles (Authorised Weight) Regulations 1998 S.I. No 3111 as amended by S.I. 2000 No. 3224 and S.I. 2001 No. 1125. The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989 S.I. 1796 as amended.) In all cases vehicles are to be constructed so as to be safe for their permitted road use.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

UK Regulations are required to permit and enable suitable construction for registered road use of "Special Purpose or Special Type" vehicles. Standards that ensure safe use, safe construction, vehicle marking, and notification requirements to authorities before road use to be made for Large or Heavy "Special Type or Special Purpose" groups of vehicles. The alternative to this regulation order would be prescriptive individual vehicle special orders, which are not practical, or cost/benefit effective for the relative numbers of vehicles of each type or purpose involved.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

STGO 2003 9th draft is forwarded with this notification. And a guide for small businesses is available at: www.roads.dft.gov.uk/vehicle/ast/index.htm

a) The draft text is self-supporting as other documents mentioned are available as previously notified to the EU Commission.

b) The original formal consultation draft is not attached for reference as the changes made since render its structure unhelpful in context to the final draft document now presented. However the original STGO 2002 consultation documents can be viewed at if necessary at. www.roads.dft.gov.uk/consult/stgo/index.htm

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO

12. Grounds for the Emergency



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13. Confidentiality

NO

14. Fiscal measures

NO

15. Impact assessment

Impact Assessment. The impact assessment is attached.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect - No. The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect - No. The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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