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The Motor Vehicles (Approval) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 1997

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2. Member State

United Kingdom



3. Department Responsible

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3. Originating Department

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Passenger vehicles (category M1) and light goods vehicles (category N1)

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

A. The draft Regulations would amend the Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 1996 which concern the approval of single vehicles. The main amendments are:

(a) to extend the scope to allow all vehicles of category M1 and N1 to obtain single vehicle approval (SVA) as an alternative to type approval (EC or 'small series' for M1; national for N1) with no numerical limits. Currently, SVA is only available to amateur-built and personally imported vehicles, motor caravans, ambulances and other vehicles to be registered in very low volumes.

(b) to provide some derogations from specific inspection requirements for normal production vehicles (not amateur-built) such as the need to check the general construction of the chassis/body, and

(c) to exempt vehicles imported solely for the personal use of members of a visiting force from needing to obtain approval.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/189/EEC (as amended) when these Regulations are officially published.

B. The United Kingdom would like to be informed by other Member States of their own standards or regulations offering an equivalent level of safety and security.



9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The reason for extending the scope is to allow independent commercial importers to have the same access to SVA as manufacturers and their agents. We intend to remove the existing numerical limits because we consider that the cost (£165 per vehicle) and procedures (each vehicle must be inspected) are sufficient to limit the numbers, particularly as SVA will not oblige other Member States to accept the vehicles. We are introducing the technical derogations to facilitate the approval of vehicles which meet non-European standards which we accept as satisfactory for the UK. We are exempting visiting force vehicles because of special restrictions which apply to their use.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

The Motor Vehicles (Approval) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 1997

The Motor Vehicles (Approval) Regulations 1996 (sent in draft with Notification 96/0128/UK)

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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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