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**THE SEAT BELTS EXEMPTION NOTICE 1972,
AMENDMENT NO. 1**

PURSUANT to regulation 51B of the Traffic Regulations 1956* (as inserted by regulation 3 of the Traffic Regulations 1956, Amendment No. 22), the Secretary for Transport hereby gives the following notice.

N O T I C E

1. Title—This notice may be cited as the Seat Belts Exemption Notice 1972, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Seat Belts Exemption Notice 1972† (hereinafter referred to as the principal notice).

2. Exemption of vehicles from requirements as to seat belts—Clause 2 of the principal notice is hereby amended by adding the following paragraphs:

“(c) All motor vehicles of the type known as ‘Benford 1200 Dumpers’:

“(d) All Wessex lightweight motor trucks models numbers 252s, 255, 259, 332, and 333:

“(e) All motor vehicles of a tare weight of more than 4,480 lb first registered on or after the 1st day of January 1965 and before the 1st day of July 1972.”

3. Exemption of persons from requirements as to seat belts—Clause 3 of the principal notice is hereby amended by adding the following paragraphs:

“(f) The driver of any motor vehicle who, being a person employed or self-employed in servicing or repairing motor vehicles, is for the time being engaged in the servicing or repair of the vehicle in the course of his employment and is driving that vehicle in an area within a radius of 20 miles of the garage, workshop, or other premises where the vehicle is being serviced or repaired, and is driving it only for the purpose of road testing the vehicle or delivering it to another garage, workshop, or other premises for further servicing or repair:

“(g) The driver of any motor vehicle who if wearing an approved seat belt could not reasonably operate effectively any of the following items of vehicle equipment:

*S.R. 1956/217 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 16: S.R. 1968/32)

Amendment No. 17: S.R. 1969/54

Amendment No. 18: S.R. 1969/115

Amendment No. 19: S.R. 1970/157

Amendment No. 20: S.R. 1970/272

Amendment No. 21: S.R. 1971/117

Amendment No. 22: S.R. 1972/83

†S.R. 1972/87

- “(i) Foot brake or hand brake:
 - “(ii) Headlight dipping switch:
 - “(iii) Direction-indicator control:
 - “(iv) Horn:
 - “(v) Windscreen-wiper control:
 - “(vi) Choke:
 - “(vii) Driver’s sun visor:
- “(h) The driver of and any passenger in a motor vehicle used for the time being in the chemical spraying of footpaths, banks, or road shoulders or verges, providing the vehicle is not travelling at a speed exceeding 20 miles an hour:
- “(i) The driver of and any passenger in a motor vehicle for the time being used in transporting meter readers engaged in their employment as such, provided the vehicle is not travelling at a speed exceeding—
- “(i) 20 miles an hour if in an area that is subject to a speed limit of 30 miles an hour:
 - “(ii) 40 miles an hour in any other area.”

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of July 1972.

R. J. POLASCHEK, Secretary for Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This notice exempts further classes of motor vehicles from the requirements as to the fitting of seat belts and further classes of drivers and passengers from the requirements as to wearing seat belts.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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