The Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Non-Interoperable Rail System) (London Underground Bakerloo Line 72 Tube Stock) Exemption Order 2019

The Secretary of State makes the following Order, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 183(1), (2), (4)(b), (5), (7) and 207(1) and (4) of the Equality Act 2010(a).

In accordance with section 183(4) of the Equality Act 2010 the Secretary of State has consulted with the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee(**b**) and such other persons as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Non-Interoperable Rail System) (London Underground Bakerloo Line 72 Tube Stock) Exemption Order 2019 and comes into force on 1st January 2020.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

"exempt vehicle" means a rail vehicle of the type known as 72 Tube Stock and operated on the Bakerloo Line;

"Bakerloo Line" means the London Underground route between Harrow & Wealdstone and Elephant & Castle stations;

"step-free access" means access from the station entrance to platform level without the use of stairs or escalators.

(2) Unless otherwise stated, in this Order a reference to a numbered paragraph is a reference to that paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Rail Vehicle Accessibility (Non-Interoperable Rail System) Regulations 2010(c).

Exemptions relating to facilities for disabled persons

3. Subject to article 4, an exempt vehicle is authorised to be used for carriage on the Bakerloo Line even if it does not conform with, or is used in a manner that does not conform with the requirements of—

- (a) paragraph 1(1) (boarding devices at wheelchair-compatible doorways) in relation to a wheelchair-compatible doorway when it is open at a platform at a station named in the Schedule to this Order;
- (b) paragraph 8(2) (equiring that the floor of the vestibule to a passenger doorway in the side of a rail vehicle contrasting with the adjoining floor);
- (c) paragraph 8(6) (band of single colour at passenger doorway contrasting with adjoining floor);
- (d) paragraph 10(1)(a) (positions of handrails close to passenger doorways on the inside of rail vehicles);
- (e) paragraph 10(4)(a) (cross section of handrail);

⁽a) 2010 c. 15.

⁽b) The Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee was established under section 125 of the Transport Act 1985 (c. 67) and has a statutory duty to provide the Government with advice on the public passenger transport needs of disabled people.

⁽c) S.I. 2010/432, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

- (f) paragraph 11(1) public address system for audible and visual announcements);
- (g) paragraph 11(5) (passenger information when vehicle is stationary) in relation to the requirement to use a public address system fitted inside an exempt vehicle to announce the next stop;
- (h) paragraph 18(4) (number of wheelchair spaces required).

Conditions

4. The exemption from paragraph 10(1)(a), set out in article 3(d) only applies provided that where the doorway has a single door, there is a handrail extending vertically from a point not more than 700 millimetres above the floor to a point not less than 1200 millimetres above the floor, on one side of the doorway.

5. The exemption from paragraph 10(4)(a), set out in article 3(e) only applies provided that the handrail has a circular cross section with a diameter of not less than 28.40 millimetres and not more than 40 millimetres.

Expiry

6. The exemption from paragraph 1(1), set out in article 3(a) expires—

- (a) in relation to an exempt vehicle that is at a platform listed in Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order, when step-free access is provided to that platform, or at 2am on 1st January 2024, whichever occurs first;
- (b) in relation to an exempt vehicle that is at a platform listed in the table in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Order, at 2am on 1st August 2020.

7. The exemptions from paragraphs 8(2), 8(6), 11(1) and 18(4) set out in Article 3(b), (c), (f), and (h) expire at 2am on 1st January 2022.

8. The exemptions from paragraphs 10(1)(a), 10(4)(a) and 11(5) set out in Article 3(d), (e) and (g) expire at 2am on 1st January 2024.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Peter Wilkinson Managing Director, Passenger Services Department of Transport

Date

SCHEDULE

Article 3(a)

Part 1

Station	Platform	
Charing Cross	1, 2	
Edgware Road	1, 2	
Embankment	5, 6	
Harlesden	1, 2	
Kensal Green	1, 2	
Kenton	1, 2	
Kilburn Park	1, 2	
Lambeth North	1, 2	
Maida Vale	1, 2	
Marylebone	1, 2	
North Wembley	1, 2	
Piccadilly Circus	1, 2	
Regent's Park	1, 2	
South Kenton	1, 2	
Stonebridge Park	1, 2	
Warwick Avenue	1, 2	
Waterloo	3, 4	

Part 2

Station	Platform
Elephant & Castle	3, 4