

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Radar Speed Measuring Device Conditional Approval 2008

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by section 20(4) and (5) of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 **(a)** (Speeding offences etc: admissibility of certain evidence) and having prescribed for the purposes of section 20 of that Act a device designed or adapted for measuring by radar the speed of motor vehicles **(b)** hereby approves as from 31st March 2008 for the purpose of detection of offences specified in section 20(2)(a), (b), (c) or (d) the type of such device known as the **Gatsometer Type 24- IDC**, manufactured by Serco Enforcement Products and Services, subject to the condition that devices of that type shall be used to obtain evidence only in connection with the enforcement of speed limits of 30 miles per hour or above.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Approval)

Section 20 of the Road Traffic Offenders Act 1988 (as amended) provides for the admissibility in evidence of records from prescribed devices in proceedings for specified speeding offences. Such devices must be of a description prescribed by the Secretary of State and of a type approved by her for the purpose of that section. By the Road Traffic Offenders (Prescribed Devices) Order 1992 (S.I.1992/1209), the Secretary of State prescribed devices designed or adapted for recording a measurement of the speed of a motor vehicle by radar. This approval approves from the 31 March 2008 the type of device known as the Gatsometer Type 24-IDC but only for the detection of speeding offences of 30 miles per hour or above.

(a). 1988 c.53; section 20 was substituted by section 23 of the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c.40)

(b) The Road Traffic Offenders (Prescribed Devices) Order 1992 (S.I. 1992/1209)