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SENIOR TRAFFIC COMMISSIONER

Statutory Guidance Documents

Introductory Statement

I am pleased to publish the revised Statutory Guidance and Statutory Directions in accordance with the Local Transport Act 2008. These documents give a greater transparency to all those involved in operator licensing in showing how traffic commissioners approach their work in regulating the transport industry.

The Statutory Guidance Documents were first issued in December 2011 and replaced existing Practice Directions. Their publication coincided with the implementation of EU Regulations.

When the Statutory Guidance Documents were first issued, I gave a commitment to review the documents and consult with the industry to see how they were working and whether any revisions were required.

This consultation has now taken place, resulting in revisions to all of the Statutory Guidance Documents except Document 6: Vocational Driver Conduct. This will be reviewed and revised separately.

I am also pleased to introduce a new document on limousines and novelty vehicles, which offers statutory guidance and directions to those using these vehicles under a PSV licence.

The documents will be kept under review so that any changes in domestic and European legislation and case law are taken into account.

I am grateful to all those who contributed to this consultation and for the extremely valuable dialogue that traffic commissioners have with the industry. I am also indebted to the traffic commissioners who have made a significant contribution to the documents themselves, in particular Richard Turfitt and Nick Jones.

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