

## Vehicle Drivers (Certificate of Professional Competence)

### Department for Transport

RPC rating: **confirmed as a non-qualifying regulatory provision**

#### Description of proposal

The measure exempts some drivers of lorries, buses, minibuses or coaches, where it is not their main role, from EU requirements in relation to certificates of professional competence (CPC). All professional drivers of the relevant vehicles are currently required to hold CPCs in addition to a standard licence, even when it is not their main role. The CPC requirements involve initial and periodic training, an initial test and regular retesting every five years.

#### Impacts of proposal

The Department expects the proposal to be deregulatory. As it will remove some existing requirements this assessment is reasonable. The submission estimates that the “*deregulatory benefits [are] likely to be less than £0.5 million*”. It is, however, unclear whether this is a total or annual benefit, or on what basis it is made. The Department has not provided any indication of the likely number of businesses affected.

#### Quality of submission

The Department has provided sufficient information to support the assessment of the proposal as not going beyond the minimum EU requirements. The Department’s assessment that the proposal is deregulatory in nature is also reasonable. The submission should, however, have provided some further information on the number of businesses likely to be affected by the change, and some further explanation of the estimated benefits – including providing clarity whether the £0.5 million benefits are annual or in total.

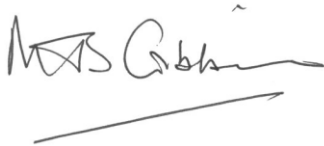
#### Departmental assessment

Classification	Non-qualifying regulatory provision (EU)
Equivalent annual net cost to business (EANCB)	N/A (fast track non-qualifying regulatory provision)

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**RPC assessment**

Classification	Non-qualifying regulatory provision (EU)
Small and micro business assessment	Not required (fast track deregulation)



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