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**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 recording a measurement of the speed of motor vehicles activated by means of measuring the speed of a vehicle by a manual distance / time Speedometer (b) hereby approves as from 31<sup>st</sup> 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( c ), hereby makes that approval 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.

Home Office  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2008

Vernon Coaker  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State

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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. 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. On 24 June 1992 the Secretary of State approved the type of device known as the Gatsometer BV Type 24+AUS for the purpose of detection of speeding offences. This order limits that approval to the detection of speeding offences of 30 miles per hour or above.

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(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 1993 (S.I.1993/1698).