

S.I. No. 99/2004 - Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 2004

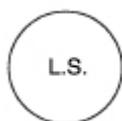
I, SÉAMUS BRENNAN, Minister for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 5 and 11 of the Road Traffic Act 1961 (No. 24 of 1961) and the National Roads and Road Traffic (Transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2002 (S.I. No. 298 of 2002) (as adapted by the Public Enterprise (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2002 (S.I. No. 305 of 2002) and for the purpose of giving effect to Directive 2002/7/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 February 2002¹ , hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 2004.

2. The Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2003 (S.I. No. 5 of 2003) are amended by substituting for Regulation 28 the following:

“28. The overall length of—

- (a) a mechanically propelled vehicle other than a bus shall not exceed 12 metres,
- (b) a trailer shall not exceed 12 metres,
- (c) an articulated vehicle shall not exceed 16.50 metres,
- (d) an articulated bus shall not exceed 18.75 metres,
- (e) a bus having two axles shall not exceed 13.50 metres, and
- (f) a bus having more than two axles shall not exceed 15.00 metres.”.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, this 18th day of March, 2004.

SÉAMUS BRENNAN,

Minister for Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations transpose Directive 2002/7/EC relating to maximum authorised vehicle dimensions and weights through the amendment of the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2003. Directive 2002/7/EC, which amends Directive 96/53, sets harmonised maximum length for buses circulating in the Community.