

Road Transport Licensing Committee

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GOODS VEHICLES APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS AND NOTICES

Notice Period

The Road Transport Act 2001 and the Road Transport Regulations 2018 require the Road Transport Licensing Committee ("the Committee" or "the RTLC") to publish details of applications, meetings and decisions.

If you wish to view an application, please contact the RTLC Secretary at noel.capewell@gov.im.

Copies of all monthly newsletters are available on the RTLC website: www.gov.im/rtlc.

Within a period of twenty one days from the date of this publication, any person may write to the Committee making any objections or representations with respect to an application.

Written objections can be received by letter or email. They should include the name and address of the sender and include the reasons why the objection or representation is made. For the full procedure detailing the submission of objections please see the RTLC website.

RTLC Office

The RTLC office operates on an appointment only basis. If you come to the office without an appointment you may have a wasted journey as there might not be anyone available to assist you.

NOTICES

RTLC OFFICE CLOSURES

The RTLC office will be closed on 19th December, 20th December and 28th December.

The computer licensing system currently used by the RTLC office is no longer fully supported by the company that created it. As a result, the RTLC office is moving to a new system and all office staff will need to undergo training on the new system on these days. It is envisaged that the RTLC office will also need to close for a period of time in late January 2023 while the existing system is replaced with the new one. This date will be confirmed in due course and all operators whose section 23 operator discs are due for renewal in January or early February are urged to contact the RTLC office well in advance of the expiry date printed on each disc.

OPERATING CENTRE LETTERS

The RTLC and the Planning Enforcement Section of DEFA ("Planning") will shortly be sending out letters to existing operators who have not yet obtained confirmation that their operating centre(s) comply with the Town and Country Planning Act 1999 ("the 1999 Act"). Under section 75(4)(b) of the Road Transport Regulations 2018 ("the Regulations"), existing operators were granted a grace period of five years to obtain such confirmation. The period of grace expires on 31st December 2023 and the RTLC and Planning are aware that many operators have yet to demonstrate their compliance with the 1999 Act and the Regulations. To assist in this process, these operators will be offered an appointment at a meeting with RTLC and Planning officers at Murray House in Douglas. It is envisaged that the meetings will take place once a month, with the first of these scheduled for 22nd

November. It is important to recognise that on 1^{st} January 2024, if an operating centre does not comply with the 1999 Act, that operator will not be legally permitted to operate any vehicles over 3,500kg. To do so would be an offence.

VEHICLE AND TRAILER TESTING

Following the Covid-19 pandemic, which saw the Driving Test & Vehicle Examination Centre ("DTVEC") close for several months in 2020, a backlog of vehicles waiting for annual tests developed. The RTLC adopted an approach which allowed goods vehicle and trailer operators to renew their Section 23 operator discs on receipt of a confirmed future booking date at the DTVEC.

However, this approach was only ever intended as a temporary measure and will be discontinued from **1**st **March 2023**. After this date, Section 23 operator discs will only be renewed on receipt of a test Certificate of Approval from the operator obtained within the past 12 months.

APPLICATIONS

1. Department of Infrastructure

The applicant wishes to appoint two new Transport Managers.

The new Transport Managers are identified in the application as Mr B Casement and Mr I Tomlinson.

There are no new operating centres identified in this application.

The applicant currently has approval to operate 100 goods vehicles and three trailers.

2. GF Forktrucks Ltd

The applicant wishes to vary an Operator Registration through a change in Transport Manager from Mr S Blackley to Mr M Versluijs.

There are no new operating centres identified in this application.

The applicant currently has approval to operate two goods vehicles.

3. E. G. Services Ltd

The applicant wishes to vary an Operator Registration through the addition of one goods vehicle.

There are no new operating centres identified in this application.

The applicant currently has approval to operate one goods vehicle.

DECISIONS

TCO Ltd

To apply for a variation to an Operator Registration through the addition of the right to operate two further goods vehicles.

The application was approved.

2. Jamie's Removals Ltd

To apply for a variation to an Operator Licence through the change of registered address.

The application was approved.

3. TG Plant Services Ltd

To apply for a variation to an Operator Registration through the addition of the right to operate two further goods vehicles and an additional operating centre.

The application was approved.

4. JRC Groundworks Ltd

To apply for an Operator Registration and the right to operate two goods vehicles.

The application was approved for one goods vehicle.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the RTLC for public passenger and goods vehicles which will be held in public are currently due to take place on 29th November and 13th December at Thie Slieau Whallian, Foxdale Road, St John's.

All applicants and objectors that are required to attend a meeting will receive a formal invitation letter prior to the meeting. It is likely, although not guaranteed, that applications advertised in this AD&N Circular will be heard at one of the above meetings provided that the RTLC has all the information that it needs (e.g. assurances from Planning).

Should you require information on the timetables for any upcoming meetings, please contact the RTLC office. If you intend to observe any meeting in public that you are not specifically invited to, it would be appreciated if you could inform RTLC staff of your intentions prior to the meeting. This information is required to ensure that there is sufficient space at the meeting to accommodate any observers. Should there not be sufficient space at Thie Slieau Whallian, a different venue for the meeting would have to be found and this could delay proceedings.

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