



Equality Act 2010

2010 CHAPTER 15

PART 12

DISABLED PERSONS: TRANSPORT

CHAPTER 3

RAIL VEHICLES

183 Exemptions from rail vehicle accessibility regulations

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order (an “exemption order”)—
 - (a) authorise the use for carriage of a regulated rail vehicle even though the vehicle does not conform with the provisions of rail vehicle accessibility regulations with which it is required to conform;
 - (b) authorise a regulated rail vehicle to be used for carriage otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of rail vehicle accessibility regulations with which use of the vehicle is required to conform.
- (2) Authority under subsection (1)(a) or (b) may be for—
 - (a) a regulated rail vehicle that is specified or of a specified description,
 - (b) use in specified circumstances of a regulated rail vehicle, or
 - (c) use in specified circumstances of a regulated rail vehicle that is specified or of a specified description.
- ^{F1}(3)
- (4) After consulting the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and such other persons as the Secretary of State thinks appropriate, the Secretary of State may—
 - (a) make an exemption order in the terms of the application for the order;
 - (b) make an exemption order in such other terms as the Secretary of State thinks appropriate;
 - (c) refuse to make an exemption order.

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- (5) The Secretary of State may make an exemption order subject to such conditions and restrictions as are specified.
- (6) “Specified” means specified in an exemption order.
- [^{F2}(7) Section 207(2) does not require an exemption order to be made by statutory instrument; but such an order is as capable of being amended or revoked as an order made by statutory instrument.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 183(3) omitted (1.10.2015) by virtue of [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 115(7), **Sch. 10 para. 29(2)**; [S.I. 2015/994](#), art. 11(p)
- F2** S. 183(7) inserted (1.10.2015) by [Deregulation Act 2015 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 115(7), **Sch. 10 para. 29(3)**; [S.I. 2015/994](#), art. 11(p)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 40A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 1](#)
- s. 120(9) inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 124A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 3](#)