SMALL PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLE (EMERGENCY MEASURE COVID-19) (Expired Licence) REGULATIONS 2021

The National Transport Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 7 of the Taxi Regulation Acts 2013 and 2016 (No. 37 of 2013 as amended), hereby makes the following Regulations to make exceptional provision, having regard to the Covid-19 pandemic, and in order to mitigate the adverse economic consequences likely to result from the spread of that disease and to mitigate its impact on essential public transport services:

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Small Public Service Vehicle (Emergency Measure Covid-19) (Expired Licence) Regulations 2021.
- 2. In these Regulations "Principal Regulations" means the Taxi Regulation (Small Public Service Vehicle) Regulations 2015 (S.I. No. 33 of 2015).
- 3. In these Regulations, "Covid-19" means a disease caused by infection with the virus SARS-CoV-2 and specified as an infectious disease in accordance with Regulation 6 of, and the Schedule to, the Infectious Diseases Regulations 1981 (S.I. No. 390 of 1981) or any variant of the disease so specified as an infectious disease in those Regulations.
- 4. These Regulations shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 13 March 2020.
- 5. The Principal Regulations are amended by substituting at Regulation 17 (2)(a) "twenty four" for "twelve".

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XX June 2021

FRED BARRY Chairperson, National Transport Authority

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The purpose of the Small Public Service Vehicle (Emergency Measure Covid-19) (Expired Licence)

Regulations 2021 is to amend Regulation 17 to extend the period for application for a replacement licence by the holder of a small public service vehicle licence that has expired to 24 months.