



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

TITLE **The Heavy Goods Vehicles (Charging For The Use Of Certain Infrastructure On The Trans-European Road Network) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018**

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The Law which is being amended:

- *Heavy Goods Vehicles (Charging for the Use of Certain Infrastructure on the Trans-European Road Network) Regulations 2009*

Any impact the SI may have on the Assembly's legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers' executive competence

The proposed amendments will have no impact on the Assembly's legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers' executive competence.

The purpose of the amendments

The purpose of the amendments is to correct deficiencies in legislation arising from the UK leaving the European Union relating to charges in respect of road charging for Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs)

The 2009 Regulations do not require road charging for HGVs, but when charging is implemented, they place requirements on its design, and limits on the maximum charges.

The SI and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, setting out the effect of each amendment is available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-heavy-goods-vehicles-charging-for-the-use-of-certain-infrastructure-on-the-trans-european-road-network-amendment-eu-exit-regulations-2018>

Why consent was given

There is no divergence between the Welsh Government and the UK Government on the policy for the correction, nor is the substance of the correction politically sensitive. Therefore, making separate SIs in Wales and England would lead to duplication, and unnecessary complication of the statute book. In these exceptional circumstances, the Welsh Government considers it appropriate that the UK Government legislates on our behalf in this instance.