STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 202

ROAD TRAFFIC

The Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) (England and Wales) Order 1985

Made - - - -	15*th February* 1985
Laid before Parliament	25*th February* 1985
Coming into Operation	1*st April* 1985

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by section 5 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Public Expenditure and Receipts Act 1968 (**a**) and now vested in him (**b**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) (England and Wales) Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1985.

(2) In this order "the Act" means the Road Traffic Act 1972 (**c**).

Extent

2. This order does not extend to Scotland.

Maximum payments for hospital treatment of traffic casualties

3. Subject to Article 5 of this order, in the proviso to section 154(1) of the Act (**d**) (maximum amounts of payments under the subsection by authorised insurers or owners of vehicles for hospital treatment of traffic casualties as in-patients or out-patients), for the sum of £1,525 there shall be substituted the sum of £1,777 and for the sum of £152.50 there shall be substituted the sum of £177.70.

Payments for emergency treatment of traffic casualties

4. Subject to Article 5 of this order, in section 155(1) of the Act (**e**) (payments by users of vehicles of fees and mileage allowances in respect of emergency treatment), for the sum of £10.90 there shall be substituted the sum of £13.32 and for the sum of 21 pence there shall be substituted the sum of 26 pence.

(**a**) 1968 c.14.
(**b**) *See* the Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1699), Article 2.
(**c**) 1972 c.20.
(**d**) Section 154(1) was amended by S.I. 1982/1194.
(**e**) Section 155(1) was amended by S.I. 1982/1194.

Application

5. This order shall apply only where an accident giving rise to the death or bodily injury in respect of which a payment is made under section 154 of the Act, or claimed under section 155 of the Act, occurs after the coming into operation of this order.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

K. Clarke,
Minister of State,
Department of Health and Social Security.

15th February 1985.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This order varies the amounts payable under sections 154(1) and 155(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972. The maximum amounts payable for hospital treatment are increased from £1,525 to £1,777 for persons treated as in-patients and from £152.50 to £177.70 for persons treated as out-patients. For emergency treatment the fee is increased from £10.90 to £13.32 and the amount for each mile in excess of two covered by a practitioner to provide such treatment is increased from 21 pence to 26 pence. These variations apply only in respect of accidents occurring on or after 1st April 1985.

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