



National Blue Light Users Conference

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Committee Reporting to the
Minister*



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**Chairman Advisory Panel on Speed
Limit Exemptions**

S19 Road Safety Act - progress



A Reminder...

- Amends s87 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984
- Requires training to exceed speed limit and allows that to be specified
- Continues existing exemptions (Fire/Police/Ambulance/NCS purposes)



- Gives Secretary of State power ..

“No statutory provision imposing a speed limit on motor vehicles shall apply to any vehicle on an occasion when ..

(b) it is being used for other proscribed purposes in such circumstances as may be proscribed...”

- Effectively means Sec of State (Transport) can add to the list of those exempt



- Consultation issued November 2012
- Most responses in favour
- Responses included 43 “business cases” explaining the need
- Advisory Panel formed to consider the responses
- Panel given terms of reference and started work in August 2013



Advisory Panel :-

- Peter Rodger Chief Examiner (IAM) (Chair)
- Bob Smalley Chief Driving Examiner (RoAdar)
- Howard Robinson (Fire Service)
- Martin Flaherty (Ambulance Service)
- Gary Forsyth (Police Service)
- Jerry Moore (ACPO/DfT liaison)
- Ian Edwards (DfT)

Process

Reduced applications to a spreadsheet

Organisation	No.	Reason Exemption Sought	Sector	Already Exempt	Purpose	If Authorised by Incident Commander Y/N	Other Exemptions Sought	Comment
Made up Name of Ambulance Company Ltd	1	Urgent response to emergency situations	Health	Yes	Ambulance		No	Use of ambulance covered under 1984 Act

Considered purposes – some already exempt

Recognition of core issue being balance of risks

Refined purposes within applications into themes/areas of activity



- Rescue
- Health
- Enforcement
- Others

Conducted series of meetings with some of the bodies involved to explore the needs and issues, and ensure the problems understood.



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Pay attention, 007, you have a licence to speed

Mark Hookham, Transport Correspondent Published: 12 January 2014

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Spies will get the right to speed and ignore red lights (PA)

HE MAY have a licence to kill, but until now James Bond has not had a licence to speed.

New powers being drawn up by ministers will give spies the same legal right as the emergency services to break speed limits and ignore red lights, pedestrian crossings and road markings.

Announcement Jan 2014
of consultation results

Following meetings with various bodies proposals drawn up, and report written

Report to Minister early summer 2014

Announcement awaited!



Any questions??

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