

# Working To Save Lives



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## **To all Vehicle Testing Authorised Officers and Authorised HGV & LGV Test Centres**

It has come to the attention of the RSA that some VTN Test Centres are offering to complete commercial vehicle tests at a discounted price and also offering to complete re-tests requiring test lane equipment free of charge.

Please be aware that the fees to be charged to a customer for a commercial vehicle test or re-test are specifically outlined in the "The European Communities (Vehicle Testing) Regulations 2004" (S.I. No. 771 of 2004) as updated by S.I. No. 709 of 2007 (see attachment) – all test fees listed are subject to VAT, currently at 21%. The only instance where no fee should be charged for a re-test is where a re-test does not require the use of test equipment.

As the prices for full tests and re-tests are stated in the Statutory Instrument covering the testing of commercial vehicles, the prices cannot be discounted in any manner and the stated fee must be charged for the vehicle type being tested. The only exception to this are re-tests that do not require the use of test equipment.

If you have any queries in relation to this circular, in the first instance please contact your local Authorised Officer for Vehicle Testing.

Yours Sincerely,

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