

Seizure of Vehicles Policy Statement



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The Road Traffic Act 1988 (Police Retention and Disposal of Seized Motor Vehicles) Regulations 2005 provides the Police with specific powers to seize motor vehicles being driven without insurance cover or a valid driving licence, and also following a failure to stop when directed to do so by a police officer.

The legislation is designed to remove uninsured vehicles from the road and public places, and to remove vehicles which are being driven by a driver who does not hold a current valid driving licence.

This supports the Force objectives of denying criminals use of the road, bringing offenders to justice and improving road safety.