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Any communication
on the subject of
this letter should
be addressed to-

The Secretary,
and the following
reference quoted-
H. S. C. 214/1940

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MINISTRY OF HOME SECURITY,
HORSEFERRY HOUSE,
THORNEY STREET,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

16th August, 1940.

Sir,

Home Security Circular No. 214/1940.

F. B. Circular No. 115/1940.

Scottish Home Department Fire
Brigades Division Circular No. L. 151/40.

Licences for Drivers of Civil Defence
Vehicles.

I am directed by the Minister of Home Security to say that he has received several enquiries from local authorities on the question of the reimbursement by them of the cost of driving licences for volunteers in the civil defence services whose duties require them to drive motor vehicles.

The Clerk of the County Council,
The County Clerk,
The Town Clerk.

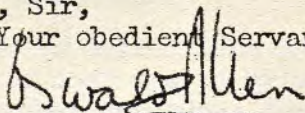
Normally a volunteer who is employed as the driver of a civil defence vehicle should already be in possession of a driving licence but the cost of driving licences may be included in the local authority's claim for grant, subject to the condition that in each case the volunteer gives with his application for refund a written undertaking to the effect that he does not require to provide himself with a driving licence for private purposes.

The Minister directs me to add, with the concurrence of the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State for Scotland, that ambulance drivers and drivers of A.F.S. vehicles are included in the application of this circular.

An additional copy of this circular is forwarded to each local authority for transmission to the Chief Financial Officer.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



Issued to all general and fire scheme-making authorities in England, Wales and Scotland.

Copies sent for information to all other local authorities in England, Wales and Scotland, to Chief Officers of the Fire Brigades in England and Wales and to Firemasters in Scotland.