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As an operator of 'closed door' home to school and/or rail replacement services, the Department for Transport have issued you with a Medium Term Exemption (MTE) allowing you to use coaches that are non-compliant or partially compliant with the Public Service Vehicles Accessibility Regulations 2000.

These exemptions will expire on 31st July 2026 and the terms of the MTE require increasing levels of compliance with PSVAR over time. From 1st August 2026, operators will be expected to comply with PSVAR in full.

To assess your current level of compliance you **must** complete and return the attached PSVAR self-declaration within 14 days. Operators who no longer run services under the MTE must still complete the self-declaration.

Upon receipt of your self-declaration, DVSA may request further evidence to support the continued use of your MTE. Future declarations will also be required each year in-line with the increasing levels of compliance required for your schedule band.

Non-compliance with your MTE, failure to complete or providing a false declaration will result in the removal of your MTE. Further investigations, referral to the Office of the Traffic Commissioner and potential sanctions could follow as a result.

Yours faithfully

Remote Enforcement Office