

CLAIMS

Claims must be submitted on the appropriate form through the branch secretary.

The union may require the member to provide whatever information it may deem appropriate, and in particular:

- The nature of the offence
- The date and place of conviction
- The amount of any fine imposed by the court (receipt to be provided)
- Any other information the member may wish to submit to support their application.

The regional secretary's decision on whether or not to make payment of a hardship grant and to determine the amount of such a grant is final.

RULES

Every member of the Motor Drivers' Fund will be bound by these rules.

MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Any matter arising in connection with this fund not provided for in these rules, shall be dealt with by the regional secretary who shall have full authority to decide any point and this decision shall be final.



Motor Drivers' Fund Rules

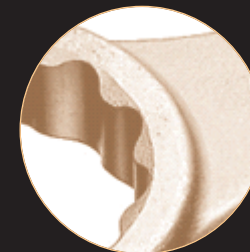
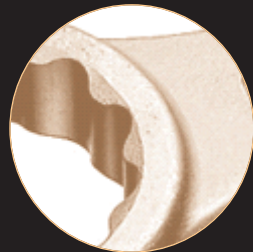
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Motor Drivers' Fund Rules

NAME

The fund shall be called GMB Yorkshire and North Derbyshire region - *Motor Drivers' Fund*.

HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the fund shall be the Yorkshire and North Derbyshire regional office.

OBJECTS

The objects of this fund are to provide assistance to members of the fund as explained under benefits.

MANAGEMENT

The fund shall be administered by the finance department. The regional secretary will be the treasurer and the finance officer will be the secretary. The Regional Executive Committee shall receive half yearly and annual statements of accounts and shall have the power to make alterations to these rules including contributions and benefits. The fund will be professionally audited.

ORGANISATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Branch secretaries may submit application forms to join the fund from their members. The date of joining the fund will be determined by the receipt of the application form at regional office. Only proceedings occurring after a member's acceptance into the fund will be eligible for consideration. Any matter not included in these rules will be referred to the regional secretary where their decision will be final.

SOLVENCY

The fund shall be separate and distinct from any other union funds and shall be administered to ensure it is self supporting and will be listed in the GMB balance sheet.

MEMBERS OF THE FUND

GMB members who hold a full current appropriate driving licence shall be eligible for membership of the fund.

Any member who is more than six weeks in arrears with contributions to either the Trade Section or the fund shall be deemed to be out of benefit until two weeks after payment of arrears and any offence occurring during that time will not be accepted for benefit. It is the member's responsibility to ensure their contributions are kept up to date. Members who cease paying contributions to the Trade Section will not be entitled to remain a member of the Drivers' Fund.

MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions - 20p per week (84p per month).

1. BENEFITS

The fund shall be used for the assistance of members who have incurred police court proceedings.

- a) A solicitor will be provided as authorised by the regional secretary to advise, assist and/or represent members with difficulties arising from road traffic accidents
- b) A member of the fund may apply for payment of a grant to relieve hardship suffered by them following a conviction for a motoring offence which will be no more than £120 in any 12 month period.

2. LIABILITY OF BENEFIT

- a) The fund will only apply to incidents occurring within the United Kingdom
- b) No more than one parking fine will be paid for parking offences committed within twelve consecutive months. Parking fines will only be paid where there are mitigating circumstances as determined by the regional secretary
- c) No more than one fine will be paid for mobile phone or seatbelt offences committed within twelve consecutive months. Fines in this respect will only be paid where there are mitigating circumstances as determined by the regional secretary
- d) No assistance or benefit will be paid or provided for:
 - Log book offences
 - Any driver not having insurance cover as required by the current road traffic legislation
 - Proceedings arising from drink/drug related offences
 - Wilful neglect or any criminal act on the part of members.
- e) Legal costs will only be paid where the fund has provided the solicitor and not for the member's own solicitor
- f) The regional secretary shall have the absolute power to limit the number of claims by any member in any set period.

