

Reports of Cases

Case C-632/15

Costin Popescu v Guvernul României and Others

(Request for a preliminary ruling from the Înalta Curte de Casație și Justiție)

(Reference for a preliminary ruling — Transport — Road transport — Driving licences — Directive 2006/126/EC — Article 13(2) — Concept of 'entitlement to drive granted before 19 January 2013' — National legislation transposing the directive — Obligation to obtain a driving licence imposed on persons who were allowed to ride a moped without a licence before the entry into force of that legislation)

Summary — Judgment of the Court (Fourth Chamber), 26 April 2017

Transport - Road transport - Driving licences - Directive 2006/126 - Maintenance of entitlements to drive granted before the entry into force of the directive - National legislation terminating the possibility of riding mopeds without holding a driving licence - Lawfulness

(European Parliament and Council Directive 2006/126, Art. 13(2))

The provisions of Directive 2006/126/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on driving licences, in particular Article 13(2), must be interpreted as not precluding national legislation, adopted in order to transpose that directive into national law, which terminates the authorisation to ride mopeds without holding a driving licence, the issue of which is subject to passing tests or examinations similar to those required for driving other motor vehicles.

(see para. 48, operative part)