
CHAPTER 286

THE MOTOR VEHICLES (CONTROL OF HIRE) ACT

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MOTOR VEHICLES (CONTROL OF HIRE)

(1st January, 1962.)

16/1961.
23/1962.
18/1989.

1. This Act may be cited as the Motor Vehicles **Short title.**
(Control of Hire) Act.

2. In this Act—

Interpretation.

“motor car” means a motor vehicle, other than a motor lorry the weight of which unladen exceeds three thousand six hundred pounds;

“motor lorry” means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted for the use of and used primarily for the conveyance or haulage of goods, merchandise or other loads;

"motor vehicle" means any mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads;

"the Minister" means the Minister of Government for the time being charged with the responsibility for the subject of Public Utilities.

Permits to hire
required.
Cap. 460.

3. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, as amended, or in any regulations made thereunder, no person shall—

(a) hire a motor car to any other person, or

(b) permit his motor car to be hired to any other person, or

(c) carry any other person in his motor car in consideration of a sum of money or other reward, or for the purpose of obtaining thereby some pecuniary benefit, except under and in accordance with the terms of a permit issued for the purpose by the Minister.

(2) Any person desiring to obtain the issue to him of a permit as aforementioned shall make application, in duplicate, to the Minister through the Commissioner of Police who shall forward the original application to the Minister. The Minister on receipt of the application may either refuse to issue a permit, or may issue or cause to be issued on his behalf a permit, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by regulations made under this Act, and to such further conditions as he may deem fit and proper to have endorsed thereon. Any person aggrieved, by the refusal of the Minister to grant him a permit, or by any condition endorsed on his permit, may, within fourteen days after he is notified in writing of such refusal, appeal to the Cabinet, and the decision of the Cabinet in the matter shall be final and shall not be questioned in any legal proceeding.

(3) Every permit issued under the provisions of this Act shall expire on the 31st day of December of the year in which it was issued.

(4) Until other forms are prescribed by regulations made under the provisions of this Act, the form of application for a permit shall be as set out in Form A of the Schedule, and

the form of permit shall be as set out in Form B of the Schedule.

(5) Any person who, after the 15th day of January, 1962—

(a) hires a motor car to another person, or

(b) permits his motor car to be hired to another person, or

(c) uses his motor car,

in contravention of the provisions of subsection (1) or in contravention of any of the conditions of a permit issued under this section shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

4. (1) The Cabinet may make regulations pre-**Regulations.**
scribing—

(a) the form of permits, or application for a permit, to be used under this Act,

(b) the fees to be charged for the issue of such permits,

(c) the conditions under and subject to which such permits may be issued.

(2) Regulations made under this Act may provide for the imposition of penalties, not exceeding one thousand dollars, for any breach of the provisions of the said regulations.

5. Any person who wilfully gives any false information in his application for a permit shall be guilty of an offence against this Act. **Giving of false information.**

6. Any person found guilty of an offence against this Act shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars, and in addition thereto in respect of a continuing offence to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars in respect of each day during which such an offence is continued. **Penalty.**

SCHEDULE

FORM A

S. 3 (2) & (4)

Application for permit to hire vehicle under the Motor Vehicles (Control of Hire) Act

(To be made out in duplicate)

PARTICULARS

Full name of owner or other person desiring a permit for vehicle to be hired.

Address

Registered letter and identification mark and number

Type of vehicle

Weight for licensing purposes

Insured with

Address

Number of policy

Date policy expires

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Signature of Owner or Signature of Person making application

Date:—

FORM B

S. 3 (4)

Permit to hire vehicle under the Motor Vehicle (Control of Hire) Act

PARTICULARS

- Name of person to whom permit issued
- Address
- Date of issue of permit
- Date of expiration of permit
- Description or type of vehicle
- Registered identification mark and number
- Number of vehicle plate
- Weight for licensing purposes
- Insured with
- Date of expiration of insurance policy

The above named person is hereby granted permission under section 3 of the above-mentioned Act to hire to other persons the vehicles, particulars of which are herein-above set out.

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Signature of Minister or Authorized Offer

NOTE:—

This permit shall be made out in duplicate. One copy to be delivered to the person named thereon, the other to be forwarded to the Commissioner of Police for record.

(To be completed if any fee is prescribed for the issue of the permit above-mentioned.)

The sum of dollars cents has been paid for this permit.

Treasury receipt no.

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Commissioner of Police

Date