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# ROAD TRAFFIC (FIXED PENALTY) REGULATIONS, 2012

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S.I. No. 31 of 2012

**ROAD TRAFFIC ACT  
(CHAPTER 220)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC (FIXED PENALTY) REGULATIONS, 2012**

The Minister, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 96A of the Road Traffic Act, makes the following regulations –

**1. Citation.**

These regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) Regulations, 2012.

**2. Fines for certain fixed penalty offences.**

The fines payable for certain fixed penalty offences are set out in Part I of the Schedule.

**3. Notice.**

The notice pursuant to section 96A of the Road Traffic Act (*Ch. 220*) shall be in the Form set out in Part II of the Schedule.

**SCHEDULE**

**(regulation 2)**

**PART I**

**FIXED PENALTIES**

<b>OFFENCE</b>	<b>LAW</b>	<b>FINE \$</b>
	<i>Road Traffic Act</i>	
Driving or permitting another person to drive an uninsured motor vehicle	8	250
Failing to produce a certificate of insurance for a motor vehicle within 48 hours	21(1)	100
Driving a motor vehicle without a licence plate or a licence disc	26(2)	100
Defacing or obscuring a licence plate or a licence disc affixed to a motor vehicle	26(3)	250
Failing to register or licence a motor vehicle	31	250
Driving an uninspected motor vehicle	32(10)	100
Driving or permitting another person to drive a motor vehicle without a driver's licence	34	250
Driving or permitting another person to drive an omnibus without a public service driver's licence	36(1)	250
Holder of public service driver's licence failing to wear appropriate badge	36(9)	50
Disorderly conduct of public service drivers	38(1)	75
Failing to have a motor vehicle fitted with seat belts	42A	100
Driving a motor vehicle without a seat belt or allowing a passenger to ride without a seat belt	42C(1)	100
Passenger riding in a motor vehicle without seat belts	42C(2)	150

Allowing a child to ride without a seat belt or a child passenger seat	42C(3)	100
Selling or hiring a motor vehicle without seatbelts	42D	150
Driving a motor vehicle at a speed exceeding the speed limit	43	100
Driving without due care and attention	46	150
Causing obstruction to traffic	48	100
Driving a motor vehicle in a defective condition	51	100
Driving a motor vehicle in a condition so as to cause any asphalt, gravel, sand, cement, stone, soil, etc., to escape from the motor vehicle on to the road	51(c)	200
Failing to stop when requested to do so by a police officer	58	150
Failing to produce a driver's licence within 48 hours	59	50
Owner of a motor vehicle, etc., failing to give information as to the driver and occupants of the motor vehicle	62	80
Motor vehicle plying for hire without a licence	64	250
Driving or riding a motor vehicle at night without having attached thereto one visible rear light	94(3)(b)	50
	<i>Road Traffic (Vehicle Inspection) Regulations</i>	
Failing to submit a motor vehicle for inspection	4	100
No valid certificate of inspection on a motor vehicle	5	50
	<i>Motor Vehicle and Speed Limit Regulations</i>	
Failing to replace licence plates	9	100

Failing to give notice of change of ownership of a motor vehicle	10	50
Using, driving, etc., a motor vehicle or trailer without a valid inspection certificate	15	100
Driving a motor vehicle with no brakes in good working order or with inadequate brakes	18	75
Driving a motor vehicle with windshield/side doors/windows which obscures the view of the interior of a motor vehicle	19(3)	75
Driving motor vehicle with a sign, poster, etc., on front windshield obstructing view	19(4)	75
Driving without windshield wipers/driving with windshield wipers not in good working order	20	50
Driving with no rear view mirror properly affixed	21	50
Driving a motor vehicle with a muffler not in good working order	22	50
Driving a motor vehicle without a horn	23	50
Driving a motor vehicle with no fitted front head lamps	24	100
Driving a motor vehicle with no fitted rear lamp	24(4)	100
Motor vehicle causing danger or unnecessary annoyance due to its condition	26	50
Driving a motor vehicle with unnecessary noise	27	50
Trailer having no, or no proper, licence plates	28	100
Smoking while transporting public passengers	37(1)	50
		<i>Traffic Signs and School Crossing Patrols Regulations</i>
Failure to stop a motor vehicle while approaching a school zone	3	250

	<i>Road Traffic Regulations</i>	
Driving a motor vehicle without lights	7(1)	100
Driving a motor vehicle without head lights burning	7(2)(a)	100
Driving a motor vehicle without an illuminated rear plate	7(2)(f)	50
Riding a motorcycle without head lamp burning	7(3)	100
Driving without giving proper signals	8	50
Parking a motor vehicle on pavement, footpath or pathway	9(2)(a)	50
Parking in no parking area	9(2)(b)	50
Blocking a driveway with a motor vehicle	9(2)(c)	50
Parking a motor vehicle on a bend so as likely to be a nuisance or a danger or obstruction to another vehicle	9(2)(d)	50
Parking a motor vehicle within 15 feet of a corner except in a designated parking place	9(2)(e)	50
Parking a motor vehicle alongside any vehicle	9(2)(f)	50
Buses leaving their regular route	9(3)(b)	100
Parking a motor vehicle during unprescribed times and for a longer period than permitted	9(4)	50
Parking a motor vehicle unlawfully on a loading zone for a period of time	9(5)	50
Parking a motor vehicle more than 18 inches from a curb or side of street	9(7)	50
Parking a motor vehicle on a "Bus Stop"	9(8)	50
Parking a motor vehicle in an area reserved for taxi-cabs	9(11)	50
Prohibited driving of a motor vehicle on one way streets	11	100
Driving a bus or a truck in prohibited place	17	100
Driving a motor vehicle in prohibited place	18	100



Failing to stop a motor vehicle at a traffic light	20(2)	250
Failing to stop a motor vehicle at a traffic sign or at a mark displayed at or on any street etc.	20(2)	250
Mounting or otherwise interfering with a motor vehicle	21(a)	50
Holding onto a motor vehicle while in motion	21(b)	50
Unlawfully and wilfully discharging or throwing objects from a motor vehicle	21(e)	100
Failing to keep a motor vehicle to the left side of the street	22(1)(a)	150
Failing to move motor vehicle when requested to do so by a police officer	22(1)(g)	150
Failing to sit directly opposite steering wheel of a motor vehicle	22(1)(i)	50
Failing to remove broken down motor vehicle	22(1)(g)	50
Driving a motor vehicle backwards for unreasonable distance	24(1)(a)	100
Leaving a motor vehicle with engine running or without taking precautions against it being started in his absence	24(1)(b)	75
Overtaking to the right of a whole white line	24(1)(d)	100
Making a U-turn	24(1)(e)	100
Carrying a projecting load beyond distance allowed	24(1)(g)	75
Use of horn, bell or other instrument unnecessarily	24(1)(j)	75
Causing harm or damage to a person or property while driving a motor vehicle carelessly, negligently, etc.	24(1)(k)	150
Riding a bicycle or tricycle, or driving a motor cycle without permanent seat attached etc.	24(1)(s)	75
Carrying or permitting to be carried on a motor vehicle insecurely fastened loads	24(1)(t)	75

Bus driver letting off or collecting passengers at non "BUS STOP"	25	100
	<i>Road Traffic (Motor Cycles) (Protective Helmets) Regulations</i>	
Riding a motor cycle without wearing a protective helmet	2	100
	<i>Road Traffic (Fareboxes for Omnibuses) Regulations</i>	
Failing to pay bus fare	4	30
	<i>Lynden Pindling International Airport (Parking) Rules</i>	
Parking contrary to Lynden Pindling International Airport Parking Rules	18	100
	<i>Environmental Health Services (Collection and Disposal of Waste) Regulations</i>	
Using or permitting to be used a motor vehicle for conveyance or storage of waste except the motor vehicle is fitted with a suitable cover capable of preventing the dropping, spilling or blowing off of waste while it is being transported	38	100

**Note:** The description of an offence in the first column of this Schedule is only intended as an indication in general terms of the nature of the offence and is not to be construed in any way as altering or qualifying the provisions of the relevant Regulations or sections of the statute.

**PART II**

**FORM OF NOTICE**

**Royal Bahamas Police Force**

**NOTICE OFFERING WAIVER OF APPEARANCE BEFORE  
MAGISTRATE AND OF NO EVIDENCE OF THE COMMISSION OF  
OFFENCE BEING AVAILABLE**

TO: (Offender).....  
of .....  
Driver's Licence No. ....

(if available)

Vehicle Licence No. ....  
Registered Owner's Name .....

Take Notice that I, .....  
(number, rank and name of police officer)

have reason to believe that the offence of  
.....  
(name offence and give particulars)

has been committed by you.....

You may waive your obligation to appear before the Magistrate and have no conviction for the offence recorded if you sign this notice in the appropriate place below admitting guilt of the offence and returning the signed notice together with the fixed penalty of \$ .....before the ..... day of ..... 20.....to the clerk of the Magistrate's Court # .....situated at .....

Failure to return the signed notice together with the above sum in payment of the fixed penalty in the manner and within the time specified above will result in your trial for the above offence before the Magistrate of the aforementioned.

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Magistrate's Court at ..... o'clock in the morning of  
.....20 .....and for which trial you are hereby requested to attend  
before the Magistrate at that time.

.....  
**Signature of Officer**

I admit to the above offence and make the payment of the sum of \$ .....

.....  
**Signature of Offender**

**Made this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.**

**Signed  
NEKO C. GRANT  
Minister responsible for Road Traffic**