Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

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THE ROAD TRAFFIC ACT

Regulations made by the Minister under sections 105 and 190 of the Road Traffic Act

1. These regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 2016.

- In these regulations -"principal regulations" means the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2010.
- 3. Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is amended -
 - (a) by deleting the definition of "park";
 - (b) by inserting, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following new definition -

"Ministry" means the Ministry responsible for the subject of land transport and road traffic;

4. Regulation 3 of the principal regulations is amended by adding the following new paragraph -

(4) The Commissioner may, after consultation with the Ministry, where he is of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient to do so, exempt any motor vehicle for use by any person from the provisions of these regulations for such period of time and subject to such conditions as he may determine.

5. Regulation 22 of the principal regulations is amended, in paragraph (2) (b), by inserting,

after the words "shall not", the words ", except down an incline,".

- 6. Regulation 57 of the principal regulations is amended -
 - (a) by revoking paragraph (b) and replacing it by the following paragraph -
 - (b) on the front of a vehicle, have black characters on a white background and, at the rear of a vehicle, have black characters on a yellow background except that -
 - (i) in the case of a taxi, both front and rear registration plates shall have black characters on a white background;
 - (ii) in the case of a contract car or contract bus, both front and rear registration plates shall have black characters on a yellow background; and
 - (iii) in the case of a dual control car used for the teaching of driving, both front and rear registration plates shall have silver characters on an orange background.
 - (b) by revoking paragraph (c).

7. Regulation 58 of the principal regulations is revoked and replaced by the following regulation -

58. Display, size and spacing of characters on registration plate

(1) Every character on a registration plate shall be displayed in an upright position.

(2) The size and spacing of every character appearing on a registration plate shall be as set out in Part I of the Ninth Schedule.

(3) The width of every character displayed on a registration plate, other than the letter "I" and number "1", shall be uniform throughout.

8. Regulation 69 of the principal regulations is amended by adding the following new paragraph -

(6) (a) Any person who uses a double cab pickup or a dual purpose vehicle with an open pickup area behind the passenger cabin shall ensure that no person is carried in the open pickup area of the vehicle.

(b) Subparagraph (a) shall not apply to a vehicle used for police, fire brigade and military purposes.

9. Regulation 72 of the principal regulations is amended, in paragraph (2), by adding the following new subparagraphs, the word "or" at the end of subparagraph (f) being deleted and the full stop at the end of subparagraph (g) being deleted and replaced by a semicolon –

- (h) on the right side of a two-way road;
- (i) on a footpath or part thereof; or
- (j) on a taxi stand, except where the vehicle is a taxi licensed to operate from that stand.
- **10.** The principal regulations are amended by inserting, after regulation 91, the following new regulation -

91A. Identification sign on microbus

(1) The owner of a microbus shall conspicuously display on the front and on each side of the vehicle labels with the content, particulars and dimensions as set out in the Twelfth Schedule.

(2) No person shall use a microbus not displaying the labels referred to in paragraph (1).

(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a microbus operating under a public service vehicle licence.

11. The principal regulations are amended by adding the Twelfth Schedule set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

12. These regulations shall come into operation on 1 March 2016.

Made by the Minister on 1 March 2016.

SCHEDULE

[Regulation 11]

TWELFTH SCHEDULE

[Regulation 91A]

TO BE AFFIXED ON THE FRONT

1,400 mm

PRIVATE BUS

140mm

- **1.** Every letter shall be in black.
- **2.** The background of the label shall be orange.
- **3.** Every letter shall be displayed in an upright position.
- 4. The thickness of the external border shall be 10 millimetres.
- 5. The height of every letter shall be not less than 80 millimetres.
- 6. The thickness of every part of every letter shall be -
 - (a) 18 millimetres; and
 - (b) uniform throughout.
- 7. (1) The width of every letter shall, except for the letter "i", be not less than 75 millimetres.
 - (2) The width of letter "i" referred to in subparagraph (1) shall be 10 millimetres.

TO BE AFFIXED ON EACH SIDE

400 mm

250 mm

PRIVATE BUS

- **1.** Every letter shall be in black.
- 2. The background of the label shall be orange.
- **3.** Every letter shall be displayed in an upright position.
- **4.** The thickness of the external border shall be 8 millimetres.
- 5. The height of every letter shall be not less than 40 millimetres.
- 6. The thickness of every part of every letter shall be -
 - (a) 6 millimetres; and
 - (b) uniform throughout.
- 7. (1) The width of every letter shall, except for the letter "i", be not less than 25 millimetres.
 - (2) The width of letter "i" referred to in subparagraph (1) shall be 10 millimetres.