

**Road Traffic (Control of Contract Car and Contract Bus Operations) 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 (Control of Contract Car and Contract Bus Operations) Regulations 2016**.

2. In these regulations –

“Act” means the Road Traffic Act;

“authorised officer” means –

- (a) a police officer;
- (b) an officer appointed under section 3(2) of the Act; or
- (c) a person designated as such by the Minister for the purpose of enforcing these regulations;

“licence” means a contract car licence or contract bus licence granted under Part VI of the Act;

“licensee” means the holder of a licence;

“public service vehicle” means a contract car or contract bus operating under a licence.

3. For the purposes of these regulations, a contract bus licence granted under Part VI of the Act shall entitle the holder to convey one or more of the following classes of passengers -

(a) staff, employees or industrial workers;

(b) tourists; and

(c) school children or students.

4. (1) The owner of a public service vehicle, used under a contract bus licence for conveying school children or students, shall employ -

(a) a driver; and

(b) an additional person to attend to the safety of the children or students.

(2) Subject to paragraph (5)(b), the additional person referred to in paragraph (1)(b) shall, at all times whilst employed as attendant, be in possession of an attendant identification card.

(3) (a) An application for an attendant identification card shall be made by the owner of the contract bus, in respect of the person he wishes to employ as attendant, in writing to the Commissioner.

(b) The application shall be accompanied by -

(i) the application fee specified in the First Schedule; and

(ii) such documents as the Commissioner may require.

(4) Where the Commissioner is satisfied that the person, in respect of whom an application is made under paragraph (3)(a), is fit to fulfil the duties of attendant, he shall, on payment of the fee specified in the First Schedule, issue an attendant identification card to the applicant.

(5) (a) For the purpose of paragraph (1), the owner of a contract bus may employ the holder of a bus conductor's licence to act as attendant.

(b) The holder of a bus conductor's licence may act as attendant without being in possession of an attendant identification card.

5. The holder of a licence shall cause to be displayed on a public service vehicle -

(a) where the vehicle is a contract bus -

(i) on the front door on each side of the vehicle, the class of the vehicle and the service authorised under the licence, in conformity with the particulars, dimensions and specimen set out in the Second Schedule;

(ii) at the front of the vehicle, the class of the vehicle, in conformity with the particulars, dimensions and specimen set out in the Third Schedule;

(b) where the vehicle is a contract car, on the front door on each side of the vehicle, the class of the vehicle and the licence number, in conformity with the particulars, dimensions and specimen set out in the Fourth Schedule.

6. No advertisement shall be displayed inside or outside a public service vehicle without the approval, in writing, of the Commissioner.

7. No person shall ply, or cause or permit to be plied, for hire or reward a public service vehicle -

(a) on any road or parking place; or

(b) from a bus or taxi stand,

without the approval, in writing, of the Authority.

8. (1) An authorised officer may, for the purpose of verifying a licence, request in writing the holder of that licence to produce the licence to him, within 7 days of the receipt of such notice, at a time and place specified in the notice.

(2) The authorised officer may prohibit the use of the vehicle in respect of which a licence

is issued until a request made under paragraph (1) is complied with.

(3) Any person who -

(a) fails to produce a licence pursuant to a request made under paragraph (1); or

(b) uses, or causes or permits to be used, a vehicle where the use of that vehicle is prohibited pursuant to paragraph (2),

shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 10,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

(4) Any person who otherwise contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 5,000 rupees.

9. The Authority may exempt any motor vehicle from the application of these regulations.

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

Made by the Minister on 1 March 2016.

FIRST SCHEDULE

[Regulation 4]

ATTENDANT IDENTIFICATION CARD FEES

	(Rs)
Application fee for identification card for attendant	300
Fee for issue of identification card for attendant	300

SECOND SCHEDULE

[Regulation 5(a) (i)]

400 mm

CONTRACT BUS (SCHOOL)	250 mm
CONTRACT BUS (EMPLOYEES)	
CONTRACT BUS (TOURIST)	

1. All letters shall be in black.
2. The background of the display sticker shall be light blue.
3. The thickness of the external border shall be 8 millimetres.
4. The thickness of every part of every letter shall be 6 millimetres and shall be uniform throughout.
5. The height of every letter shall be at least 40 millimetres.
6. Every letter figure shall be displayed in an upright position.

THIRD SCHEDULE

[Regulation 5(a)(ii)]

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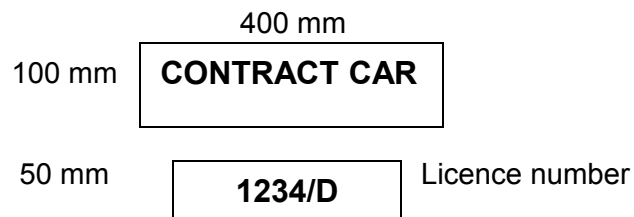
CONTRACT BUS	140 mm
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1. All letters shall be in black.
2. The thickness of the external border shall be 10 millimetres.

3. The background of the display sticker shall be light blue.
4. The thickness of every part of every letter shall be 18 millimetres.
5. The height of every letter shall be at least 80 millimetres.
6. The width of every letter shall be at least 75 millimetres.
7. Every letter shall be displayed in an upright position.

FOURTH SCHEDULE

[Regulation 5(b)]



1. All letters and figures shall be in black.
2. The background of the display sticker shall be light blue.
3. The thickness of the external border shall be 8 millimetres.
4. The thickness of every part of every figure and letter shall be 6 millimetres.
5. The height of every figure and letter shall be at least 40 millimetres.
6. Every letter and figure shall be displayed in an upright position.