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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, CONSTRUCTION AND USE) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) RULES 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 6 of the Road Traffic Act, the Land Transport Authority of Singapore hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2015 and come into operation on 1 October 2015.

Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2(1) of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) Rules (R 9) is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of “electric vehicle”, the following definition:

“ “Fresnel lens” means an optical lens that —

- (a) enables observation of a wide angle view;
- (b) consists of concentric rings of segmental lenses;
and
- (c) measures at least 210 millimetres by 297 millimetres;”.

Amendment of rule 20A

3. Rule 20A of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) Rules is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraphs:

“(3) Subject to paragraph (4), every heavy goods vehicle registered before 1 April 2015 must —

- (a) be equipped with a device to observe blind spots, that is constructed and fitted in compliance with paragraph (1); or
- (b) be fitted with a Fresnel lens on the front passenger side window.

(4) Paragraph (3) does not apply to a heavy goods vehicle for which, by reason of the heavy goods vehicle’s construction, the fitting of the device referred to in paragraph (1) or a Fresnel lens does not assist the driver of the heavy goods vehicle to observe blind spots.

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), every bus with a maximum laden weight exceeding 8,000 kilograms registered before 1 October 2015 must —

- (a) be equipped with a device to enable the driver to have a clear view of the area within 300 millimetres of the front and 300 millimetres of the left side of the bus; or
- (b) be fitted with a Fresnel lens on the left of the bus, to enable the driver to have a clear view of the area on the left side of the bus.

(6) Paragraph (5) does not apply to a bus in which, by reason of the bus’ construction, the driver of the bus has a clear view of the area on the left side of the bus without the assistance of the device referred to in paragraph (5)(a) or a Fresnel lens.

(7) Subject to paragraph (8), every bus with a maximum laden weight exceeding 8,000 kilograms registered on or after 1 October 2015 must be equipped with a device to enable the driver to have a clear view of the area within 300 millimetres of the front and 300 millimetres of the left side of the bus.

(8) Paragraph (7) does not apply to a bus in which, by reason of the bus' construction, the driver of the bus has a clear view of the area within 300 millimetres of the front and 300 millimetres of the left side of the bus without the assistance of the device referred to in paragraph (7)."; and

(b) by inserting, immediately after the words "heavy goods vehicles" in the rule heading, the words "and buses".

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