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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2018

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 34 and 140 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Transport makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Rules 2018 and come into operation on 31 May 2018.

Amendment of rule 47

- **2.** Rule 47 of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) is amended
 - (a) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(1) The seating capacity of any public service vehicle must be calculated in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).
 - (1A) The standing capacity of any omnibus, excursion bus, school bus, private hire bus or private bus must be calculated in accordance with paragraph (3A).";

- (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraph:
 - "(3A) In determining the number of persons for whom any omnibus, excursion bus, school bus, private hire bus or private bus has standing capacity, that number is the lower of the following, rounded down to the nearest whole number:
 - (a) the number computed using the following formula:

$$\frac{A}{B}$$
,

where A is the total standing space in the vehicle, in square metres (m²); and

B is 0.15 m², which is deemed to represent the standing space available for one standing passenger;

(b) the number computed using the following formula:

$$\frac{(A-B)-(C\times D)}{D},$$

where A is the maximum laden weight of the vehicle, in kilograms;

B is the unladen weight of the vehicle, in kilograms;

C is the seating capacity of the vehicle; and

D is 60 kilograms, which is deemed to represent the weight of one passenger.";

- (c) by deleting paragraph (4) and substituting the following paragraph:
 - "(4) The number of passengers carried on
 - (a) a motor vehicle, other than a vehicle mentioned in sub-paragraph (b), must not exceed its licensed seating capacity; and
 - (b) an omnibus, excursion bus, school bus, private hire bus or private bus must not exceed its licensed seating capacity and standing capacity.";
- (d) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (5) and substituting the following sub-paragraphs:
 - "(b) where children below the age of 12 years are carried on a motor vehicle, other than an omnibus, excursion bus, school bus, private hire bus, private bus or taxi, 3 of such children may be reckoned as 2 passengers;
 - (ba) where a continuous seat of an omnibus, excursion bus, school bus, private hire bus or private bus has a seating capacity for 2 passengers, this seat may be occupied by 3 children below the age of 12 years; and";
- (e) by deleting paragraph (6); and
- (f) by deleting the rule heading and substituting the following rule heading:

"Determination of passenger capacity".

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