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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC
(PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES)
(VOCATIONAL LICENCES AND CONDUCT OF DRIVERS,
CONDUCTORS, TRISHAW RIDERS AND PASSENGERS)
(AMENDMENT) RULES 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 111 of the Road Traffic Act, the Land Transport Authority of Singapore makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Vocational Licences and Conduct of Drivers, Conductors, Trishaw Riders and Passengers) (Amendment) Rules 2015 and come into operation on 19 June 2015.

Amendment of rule 21

2. Rule 21 of the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Vocational Licences and Conduct of Drivers, Conductors, Trishaw Riders and Passengers) Rules (R 8) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended by deleting the words “rule 30(5)” in paragraph (k) and substituting the words “rules 30(5) and 30A(5)”.

Amendment of rule 30

3. Rule 30 of the principal Rules is amended —
- (a) by deleting the words “or animal” in paragraph (1);
 - (b) by deleting the words “, failing which he shall be guilty of an offence” in paragraph (5); and
 - (c) by deleting the words “or animal” in the rule heading.

New rule 30A

4. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 30, the following rule:

“Carriage of animal in omnibus

30A.—(1) A driver of an omnibus must not permit any individual to bring into the omnibus any animal which is likely to —

- (a) cause any inconvenience, obstruction, discomfort or injury to any passenger in the omnibus;
- (b) cause any damage to the omnibus or any property in the omnibus; or
- (c) soil the omnibus or any passenger or property in the omnibus.

(2) Despite paragraph (1), a driver of an omnibus must permit a police officer on official duty or a member of an auxiliary police force in uniform to bring a dog into the omnibus.

(3) Despite paragraph (1), a driver of an omnibus may permit a blind or visually impaired individual to bring a guide dog into the omnibus.

(4) An individual who is permitted under paragraph (3) to bring a guide dog into an omnibus must keep the guide dog on a leash and under proper control for the duration that the individual remains in the omnibus.

(5) An authorised person may at any time require an individual (except a police officer on official duty or a member of an auxiliary police force in uniform) who brings an animal into the omnibus to alight from the omnibus with the animal if —

- (a) the individual, being a blind or visually impaired individual, fails to comply with paragraph (4); or
- (b) the authorised person is of the opinion that the animal (including a guide dog) —
 - (i) has caused or is likely to cause any inconvenience, obstruction, discomfort or injury to any passenger in the omnibus;

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- (ii) has caused or is likely to cause any damage to the omnibus or any property in the omnibus; or
- (iii) has soiled or is likely to soil the omnibus or any passenger or property in the omnibus,
- and the individual must comply with that requirement within a reasonable time.”.

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