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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC
(MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING)
(AMENDMENT NO. 9) RULES 2012

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 9) Rules 2012 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2013.

New rule 4A

2. The Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 4, the following rule:

“Vehicle testing for vehicles which cease to be tax exempt

4A. Where a motor vehicle which is registered on or after 1st January 2013 —

- (a) ceases to be exempt from the payment of any tax payable under section 11 of the Act; and
- (b) does not have its carbon dioxide emission value recorded in the register of vehicles maintained by the Registrar under rule 12,

the Registrar may, before re-registering the motor vehicle under these Rules, require the motor vehicle to be produced for an inspection and testing by any examiner authorised by the Registrar under the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Test) Rules (R 21).”.

Amendment of rule 8

3. Rule 8 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (7)(e) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “rule 9B” in paragraph (7)(f), the words “or 9C”;
- (c) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (7)(g)(i) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (d) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (8) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (e) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (8A) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”; and
- (f) by deleting the words “3 years” in paragraph (15A)(b) and substituting the words “one year”.

Amendment of rule 8A

4. Rule 8A(5) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words “or 9B” in sub-paragraph (b) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”.

Amendment of rule 9A

5. Rule 9A of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “on or after 1st June 2004” wherever they appear in paragraph (1)(b) and substituting in each case the words “on any date between 1st June 2004 and 31st December 2012 (both dates inclusive)”;
- (b) by deleting the words “on or after 1st July 2010” wherever they appear in paragraph (1)(c) and substituting in each case the words “on any date between 1st July 2010 and 31st December 2012 (both dates inclusive)”;
- (c) by deleting the words “In the case of a new vehicle first registered on or after 1st June 2004 or a secondhand vehicle first registered in Singapore on or after 1st July 2010, where” in paragraph (5) and substituting the word “Where”.

Amendment of rule 9AA

6. Rule 9AA(3) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting “2012” in sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c)(i) and (c)(ii) and substituting in each case “2014”.

Amendment of rule 9B

7. Rule 9B(5) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting “2013” in sub-paragraph (i) and substituting “2015”.

New rule 9C

8. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 9B, the following rule:

“Carbon emissions rebate for new or secondhand car or taxi registered on or after 1st January 2013

9C.—(1) Subject to rule 8 —

- (a) where a new or a secondhand vehicle is to be first registered in Singapore on or after 1st January 2013 as a motor car (other than a taxi) and has a carbon emission level not exceeding the minimum limit of the neutral carbon emission band; or
- (b) where a new vehicle is to be registered in Singapore on or after 1st January 2013 as a taxi and has a carbon emission level not exceeding the minimum limit of the neutral carbon emission band,

the registered owner of the vehicle may apply to the Registrar for a rebate on the fees payable under rule 7(1) in respect of the vehicle to be first registered.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (6) and (7), the amount of the rebate which the Registrar may grant upon an application under paragraph (1) shall be as specified in Part IIA or IIB of the First Schedule, as the case may be.

(3) In the case of a secondhand vehicle, any rebate granted under paragraph (1) shall not be used to offset the sum of \$10,000 payable under rule 7(1A) at the time of its first registration in Singapore.

(4) In granting an application under paragraph (1), the Registrar may impose such conditions as he thinks fit.

(5) The Registrar shall not grant an application under paragraph (1) unless he is satisfied —

(a) that the vehicle was originally constructed by a manufacturer approved by the Registrar; or

(b) where the vehicle was originally constructed by its manufacturer but has been modified or retrofitted to operate on multiple power sources, either separately or simultaneously, that the vehicle is safe for use on the roads and satisfies such exhaust emission criteria that is acceptable to the Registrar.

(6) Where the amount of fee payable under rule 7(1) is less than \$5,000 after the rebate under paragraph (2) is granted, the minimum amount of fee payable under rule 7(1) shall be \$5,000.

(7) Where the amount of rebate allowable under paragraph (2) exceeds the fee payable under rule 7, the excess amount of the rebate shall be forfeited.

(8) No rebate under this rule shall be given to a new or a secondhand vehicle which uses diesel as its source of power and is not a Euro V vehicle.

(9) In this rule, the neutral carbon emission band shall be the range of carbon emissions spanning between 161 carbon dioxide grams per kilometre and 210 carbon dioxide grams per kilometre.”.

Amendment of rule 33E

9. Rule 33E(5) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words “or 9B” and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”.

Amendment of rule 33G

10. Rule 33G(2) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words “or 9B” and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”.

Amendment of rule 34

11. Rule 34 of the principal Rules is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

“(3) For the purposes of section 27(1)(d)(iv) of the Act, the prescribed period —

- (a) in the case where a vehicle has been reported to the police to be lost through theft, is 3 months after the date of such report; and
- (b) in the case where a vehicle has been reported on or after 1st January 2005 to the police to be lost through criminal breach of trust, is one year after the date of such report.”.

Amendment of First Schedule

12. The First Schedule to the principal Rules is amended by inserting, immediately after Part II, the following Parts:

“PART IIA

Rule 9C

CARBON EMISSIONS REBATE FOR MOTOR CARS
(OTHER THAN TAXIS) REGISTERED ON OR AFTER
1ST JANUARY 2013

<i>Band</i>	<i>Carbon Emission Level</i>	<i>Rebate Amount</i>
Band A1	Between 0 carbon dioxide gram per kilometer and 100 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$20,000
Band A2	Between 101 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 120 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$15,000
Band A3	Between 121 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 140 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$10,000
Band A4	Between 141 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 160 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$5,000
Neutral carbon emission band — Band B	Between 161 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 210 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	Nil

PART IIB

Rule 9C

CARBON EMISSIONS REBATE FOR TAXIS REGISTERED ON OR
AFTER 1ST JANUARY 2013

<i>Band</i>	<i>Carbon Emission Level</i>	<i>Rebate Amount</i>
Band A1	Between 0 carbon dioxide gram per kilometer and 100 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$30,000
Band A2	Between 101 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 120 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$22,500
Band A3	Between 121 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 140 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$15,000
Band A4	Between 140 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 160 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	\$7,500
Neutral carbon emission band — Band B	Between 161 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer and 210 carbon dioxide grams per kilometer	Nil.

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