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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) RULES 2017

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 are the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Amendment No. 3) Rules 2017 and come into operation on 18 December 2017.

Deletion of rule 6

2. Rule 6 of the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) Rules (R 14) (called in these Rules the principal Rules) is deleted.

Amendment of rule 27

3. Rule 27 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “No omnibus” and substituting the words “Subject to paragraph (2), no omnibus”; and
- (b) by renumbering the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to an omnibus when it is permitted under rule 58 to be used as an excursion bus, a private hire bus or a private bus.”.

Amendment of rule 58**4. Rule 58 of the principal Rules is amended —**

- (a) by deleting the word “Registrar” in paragraphs (1) and (2) and substituting in each case the word “Authority”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately before sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1), the following sub-paragraph:

“(a) upon an application made by the holder of an omnibus licence (called in this sub-paragraph the omnibus licensee) issued under Part IV, permit the omnibus licensee to use the omnibus licensee’s omnibus as an excursion bus, a private hire bus or a private bus, despite that the omnibus licensee has not been issued with an excursion bus licence under Part V, a private hire bus licence under Part VIII or a private bus licence under Part IX, as the case may be;”;

- (c) by relettering the existing sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of paragraph (1) as sub-paragraphs (b), (c) and (d), respectively;
- (d) by deleting the word “he” in paragraph (2) and substituting the words “the Authority”;
- (e) by deleting paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(3) The Authority must not grant a permit under paragraph (1) for a licensee to use the licensee’s bus as an excursion bus if the licensee’s bus is not air-conditioned.

(4) The following provisions apply in respect of a bus when the bus is permitted by the Authority under paragraph (1) to be used as a different class of public service vehicle:

- (a) the provisions of Part V (except rule 31) apply when the bus is permitted to be used as an excursion bus, with the modification that a reference to a holder of an excursion bus licence or licensee is a reference to the licensee of the bus permitted to be used as an excursion bus;
- (b) the provisions of Part VIII (except rules 50 and 52) apply when the bus is permitted to be used as a private hire bus, with the modification that a reference to a holder of a private hire bus licence or licensee is a reference to the licensee of the bus permitted to be used as a private hire bus;
- (c) the provisions of Part IX and rule 65 apply when the bus is permitted to be used as a private bus, with the modification that a reference to a holder of a private bus licence or licensee is a reference to the licensee of the bus permitted to be used as a private bus.

(5) Where the holder of an omnibus licence, an excursion bus licence, a private hire bus licence or a private bus licence (called in this paragraph a specified licensee) whose application under paragraph (1) has been granted by the Authority —

- (a) fails to comply, or fails to secure the compliance of any driver that a specified licensee employs, with all or any of the provisions of the Act or these Rules or any condition imposed by the Authority; or

(b) fails to provide and maintain adequate and satisfactory service in connection with the use of a specified licensee’s bus as an excursion bus, a private hire bus or a private bus, as the case may be,

the Authority may, by notice in writing, revoke any permission granted by the Authority under paragraph (1) to the holder of the licence.”; and

(f) by deleting the words “Registrar may allow” in the rule heading and substituting the words “Authority may allow omnibuses,”.

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