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WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT 2006

WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH (GENERAL PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2022

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 65 of the Workplace Safety and Health Act 2006, the Minister for Manpower makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 and come into operation on 1 January 2023.

New regulations 44A and 44B

2. In the Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) Regulations (Rg 1), after regulation 44, insert —

“Lorries carrying persons on deck

44A.—(1) Paragraph (2) applies where —

- (a) any person at work in a workplace (called in this regulation the specified driver) is required or authorised by the employer of that person to drive any lorry; and
- (b) the lorry is or will be carrying one or more persons on its deck while the specified driver is driving it.

(2) It is the duty of the employer of the specified driver to ensure that —

- (a) one other person (*P*) is seated in the cabin of the lorry next to the specified driver at all times while the specified driver is driving the lorry mentioned in paragraph (1)(b); and

(b) *P* is aware, before the specified driver starts driving the lorry, that *P* is to take reasonable measures to ensure that the specified driver is alert and able to drive in a safe manner at all times while the specified driver is driving the lorry.

(3) An employer who contravenes paragraph (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding \$2,000 for every day or part of a day during which the offence continues after conviction.

Dual role drivers driving lorries carrying persons on deck

44B.—(1) Paragraph (2) applies where —

- (a) any person at work in a workplace (called in this regulation the dual role driver) is required or authorised by the employer of that person to drive a lorry, where driving the lorry is not the primary work that the person is required to perform for the employer;
- (b) the lorry is or will be carrying one or more persons on its deck while the dual role driver is driving it; and
- (c) the dual role driver has been at work for a period of at least 6 hours in aggregate (excluding any rest break or meal break) immediately before driving the lorry.

(2) It is the duty of the employer of the dual role driver to ensure that the dual role driver does not, before driving a lorry mentioned in paragraph (1)(b), perform any work for a period of not less than 30 minutes.

(3) An employer who contravenes paragraph (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, to a further fine not exceeding \$2,000 for every day or part of a day during which the offence continues after conviction.”

Made on 19 December 2022.

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