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PUBLIC TRANSPORT COUNCIL (PENALTY FEES) REGULATIONS 2008

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In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 24C and 28(2)(h) of the Public Transport Council Act, the Public Transport Council, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Transport Council (Penalty Fees) Regulations 2008 and shall come into operation on 1st July 2008.

Definitions

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“adult monthly travel pass” means a ticket at a discounted fare which is valid for making multiple trips using the basic bus service, or rapid transit system service, or both services, during a fixed period and which may only be used by a person if he is entitled to do so under the conditions of use;

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“adult off-peak monthly travel pass” means a ticket at a discounted fare which is valid for making multiple trips using the basic bus service, or rapid transit system service, or both services, during off-peak hours for a fixed period as stated under the conditions of use, and which may only be used by a person if he is entitled to do so under the conditions of use;

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“basic bus service” has the same meaning as in the Public Transport Council (Bus Service Licence) Regulations 2006 (G.N. No. S 720/2006);

“concession ticket” means a ticket at a discounted fare which may only be used by a person if he is entitled to do so under the conditions of use, and includes an adult monthly travel pass and an adult off-peak monthly travel pass;

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“conditions of use” means the conditions subject to which a ticket for travel on the public transport system is granted, and which are published from time to time by a licensee or by a person appointed by a licensee;

“licensee” means any person who is granted a bus service operator’s licence or ticket payment service licence under the Act, or a licence to operate a rapid transit system under the Rapid Transit Systems Act (Cap. 263A);

“paid area” has the same meaning as in the Rapid Transit Systems Regulations (Cap. 263A, Rg 1);

“season ticket” means a ticket which is valid for multiple trips on the public transport system during a fixed period and which may only be used by a person if he is entitled to do so under the conditions of use.

Prescribed penalty fees

3.—(1) For the purposes of section 24C of the Act and subject to paragraph (2), the penalty fee that a public transport official may

require a person to pay for using a basic bus service or rapid transit system service without paying the appropriate fare for the distance which he has travelled shall be —

- (a) \$20, where the person has not paid any fare for the distance that he has travelled;
- (b) \$20, where the person has underpaid the fare for the distance that he has travelled; and
- (c) \$50, where the person has used a concession ticket or season ticket to which he is not entitled under the conditions of use.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a child who is less than 90 cm in height.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1)(a), a person shall be deemed not to have paid any fare for the distance that he has travelled if he, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, fails to validate his ticket upon —

- (a) boarding a bus; or
- (b) entering or leaving the paid area of a railway premises.

(4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1)(b), and subject to paragraph (5), a person shall be deemed to have underpaid the fare for the distance that he has travelled if he, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, travels beyond the bus stop or rapid transit system station for which his ticket is valid.

(4A) For the purpose of paragraph (4), a person using a basic bus service travels beyond the bus stop for which his ticket is valid if he —

- (a) validates his ticket on the card reader at the exit of the bus before or when the bus arrives at that bus stop; and
- (b) does not alight from the bus at that bus stop but continues to travel on the bus beyond that bus stop.

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(5) Paragraph (1)(b) shall not apply to a person using a rapid transit system service who on his own initiative —

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- (a) reports to a public transport official that he has underpaid the fare for the distance that he has travelled or words which suggest this; and
- (b) pays the fare leviable for that portion of his journey which is not covered by his ticket.

Appeal procedure

4. Any person who is aggrieved by a requirement to pay a penalty fee may, within 14 days from the date of service of the notice requiring him to pay the penalty fee, appeal to the Council or to an officer authorised by the Council.

Made this 12th day of June 2008.

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