

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276, SECTION 6)

ROAD TRAFFIC (REGULATION OF SPEED) RULES

ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

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Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Regulation of Speed) Rules.

Definitions

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

“goods vehicle” means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods by means of a trailer or otherwise;

“mobile engineering plant” means a motor vehicle designed for use in private premises and used on a road only —

(a) in passing from one part of any such premises to another or to other private premises in the immediate neighbourhood; or

(b) in connection with road works or engineering operations while at or in the immediate neighbourhood of the site of such works or operations;

“motor tractor” means a motor vehicle which is not constructed to carry any load other than —

- (a) water, fuel, accumulators and other equipment and materials used for the purpose of its propulsion; and
- (b) loose tools and loose equipment;

“motor vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adapted for use on roads or places where engineering operations or road or other works are being carried out;

“passenger vehicle” means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted solely for the carriage of passengers and their personal effects;

“pneumatic tyre” means a tyre which complies in all respects with the following requirements:

- (a) it is provided with, or together with the wheel upon which it is mounted shall form, a continuous closed chamber inflated to a pressure substantially exceeding atmospheric pressure when the tyre is in the condition in which it is normally used, but is not subjected to any load;
- (b) it is capable of being inflated and deflated without removal from the wheel or vehicle; and
- (c) it is such that, when it is deflated and is subjected to a normal load, the sides of the tyre collapse;

“track laying vehicle” means a vehicle so designed and constructed that the weight thereof is transmitted to the road surface either by means of —

- (a) continuous tracks; or
- (b) a combination of wheels and continuous tracks in such circumstances that the weight transmitted to the road surface by the tracks is not less than half the weight of the vehicle.

General powers of Registrar or authorised officer

2A.—(1) The Registrar or an authorised officer may, by notice, require the owner of a vehicle to furnish evidence that the vehicle complies with all or any of the provisions of these Rules.

(2) The Registrar or an authorised officer may, in any particular case, upon the application of any person, waive the operation of any provisions in these Rules in relation to that person or a vehicle that is the subject of that application, subject to such conditions as the Registrar or the authorised officer may impose.

(3) In this rule, “authorised officer” has the same meaning as in section 6(4) of the Act.

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Speed limits for vehicles

3.—(1) The maximum speed limits for the classes or descriptions of motor vehicles in the first column of the Schedule are set out in the second column thereto.

(2) Nothing in these Rules shall affect the liability of any person to comply with any prohibition or restriction imposed by a notification made under section 63(2) of the Act, or an order made under section 113 of the Act, on the driving of a motor vehicle in excess of a maximum speed that is less than that prescribed in these Rules.

Application to certain vehicles

4. These Rules shall not apply to any motor vehicle owned by the Government and used by the Singapore Police Force or the Singapore Civil Defence Force for the purpose of executing the functions of the Singapore Police Force or the Singapore Civil Defence Force, as the case may be, if compliance with these Rules is likely to hinder the use of the vehicle for the purpose for which it is being used.

THE SCHEDULE

Rule 3(1)

LIMITS OF SPEED

First column

Second column

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

<i>Class or description of motor vehicles</i>	<i>Maximum speed in kilometres per hour</i>
1. Motor vehicle fitted with pneumatic tyres on all its wheels —	
(a) passenger vehicle not drawing a trailer —	
(i) which —	70
(A) is constructed or adapted solely for the carriage of more than 7 and not more than 15 passengers (excluding the driver) and has a maximum laden weight of not more than 3,500 kilogrammes; and	
(B) is installed with body-restraining front and rear seat belts that meet the specifications as specified in the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Seat Belts) Rules (R 15)	
(ii) other than a vehicle under sub-paragraph (i), which has a seating capacity of more than 7 passengers (excluding the driver)	60
(aa) passenger vehicle drawing a trailer which has a seating capacity of not more than 7 passengers (excluding the driver)	60
(b) invalid carriage	40
(c) goods vehicle —	
(i) which has a maximum laden weight of not more than	70

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

3,500 kilogrammes and does not carry any person on the floor of the vehicle as prescribed in the Road Traffic (Carriage of Persons in Goods Vehicles) (Consolidation) Rules (R 1)		
(ia)	other than a vehicle under sub-paragraph (i) and is not drawing a trailer	60
(ii)	drawing a trailer, where the combined unladen weight of the vehicle and the trailer attached thereto is 2,500 kilogrammes or less	60
(iii)	drawing a trailer, where the combined unladen weight of the vehicle and the trailer attached thereto exceeds 2,500 kilogrammes	50
(iv)	constructed or adapted for the purpose of conveying horses and their attendants and used solely for that purpose	60
(d)	mobile engineering plant —	
	(i) the laden weight of which exceeds 24,000 kilogrammes	20
	(ii) the laden weight of which is 24,000 kilogrammes or less	40
(e)	motor tractor	40.
2.	Motor vehicle with its wheels fitted with one or more solid rubber tyres	Half the speed specified above for that class or description of vehicle.
3.	Motor vehicle with any of its wheels fitted with neither a pneumatic tyre nor a solid rubber tyre	10.

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

4. Track laying vehicle

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY
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