

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT  
(CHAPTER 276, SECTIONS 48 AND 140)

ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, DRIVING LICENCES)  
RULES

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**Citation**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules.

**Definitions**

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

“authorised officer” means a person authorised by the Deputy Commissioner of Police to perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Deputy Commissioner of Police under these Rules, and includes an overseas representative;

*[S 562/2002 wef 16/12/2002]*

“distinguishing mark” means the distinguishing mark referred to in rule 5 of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules (R 32);

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

“driving licence” means a licence to drive a motor vehicle granted under Part II of the Act;

“licence” includes a driving licence and a provisional licence;

“licensed”, in relation to a driving school, means licensed under the Road Traffic (Driving Instructors and Driving Schools) Rules (R 16);

“new driver” has the same meaning as in rule 2 of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules;

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

“overall height”, in relation to a motor vehicle, means the distance between the surface on which the motor vehicle rests and —

(a) the highest point of the vehicle; or

(b) where the vehicle is carrying a load, the highest point of the load;

“overseas representative” means a diplomatic or consular officer of the government in any foreign country and includes a Trade Commissioner of Singapore in any foreign country;

*[S 562/2002 wef 16/12/2002]*

“period of probation” has the same meaning as in rule 2 of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules;

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

“Police Class 2 Intermediate riding course (Advanced)” means an advanced course to train officers of the Singapore Police Force in preparation to qualify for a Police Driving Permit to ride Class 2 vehicles in the course of their duties as officers of the Singapore Police Force, conducted by the Singapore Police Force or by any person engaged by the Singapore Police Force;

*[S 108/2014 wef 01/03/2014]*

“Police Class 2 Intermediate riding test (Basic)” means a test of competence to ride Class 2 vehicles conducted on or after 8th July 1968 by the Singapore Police Force or any person appointed by the Deputy Commissioner of Police and that

qualifies officers of the Singapore Police Force to proceed to the Police Class 2 Intermediate riding course (Advanced);

*[S 108/2014 wef 01/03/2014]*

“Proficiency Driving Test” means the test specified in Part 3 of the Second Schedule;

*[S 562/2002 wef 01/11/2002]*

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

“provisional licence” means a licence granted by the Deputy Commissioner of Police under section 36(3) of the Act.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

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(2) For the purposes of these Rules, where the holder of a driving licence applies to take or takes any test of competence, or applies for any provisional licence under these Rules, the number of demerit points accumulated by him as at the date of his application or the date of his test of competence (as the case may be) shall be the aggregate of the following:

- (a) any demerit points already awarded to him under the Road Traffic (Driver Improvement Points System) Rules (R 25) as at the date of his application or test of competence; and
- (b) where —
  - (i) on or before the date of his application or test of competence, a notice under section 132 or 133 of the Act has been issued to or criminal proceedings have been instituted against him in respect of any offence which is specified in the Schedule to the Road Traffic (Driver Improvement Points System) Rules (referred to in this paragraph as a scheduled offence); and
  - (ii) as at the date of his application or test of competence, he has not paid the prescribed penalty for the scheduled offence, or the criminal proceedings have not been concluded, as the case may be,

any demerit points which would be awarded to him if, after the date of his application or test of competence, he were to pay the prescribed penalty for, or be convicted of, the scheduled offence, as the case may be.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

### **Application for grant or renewal of licence**

**3.—**(1) Except with the approval of the Deputy Commissioner of Police or an authorised officer, a person who desires to obtain or renew a licence shall —

- (a) submit in person to the Deputy Commissioner of Police or authorised officer an application in such form as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may determine; and
- (b) furnish such particulars as the Deputy Commissioner of Police or authorised officer may require.

(2) An application for the grant or renewal of a driving licence shall be accompanied by one photograph of the applicant.

(3) The photograph referred to in paragraph (2) shall comply with the specifications set out in the Ninth Schedule.

(4) An application for the grant or renewal of a licence may be received and dealt with at any time within one month before the date on which the grant or renewal of the licence is to take effect.

(5) The Deputy Commissioner of Police or authorised officer may refuse to grant or renew a driving licence for any of the classes of vehicles in respect of which the application is made if —

- (a) the applicant fails to submit a photograph in accordance with paragraph (2);

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

- (b) in the opinion of the Deputy Commissioner of Police or authorised officer, the photograph of the applicant accompanying his application for the driving licence —

- (i) does not comply with the specifications set out in the Ninth Schedule;
- (ii) is distorted or unclear; or

(iii) has been tampered with;

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

(c) the Deputy Commissioner of Police or authorised officer is not satisfied that the applicant is physically fit to drive that class of vehicle; or

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(d) the applicant has not passed the whole or such part of the prescribed test of competence to drive that class of vehicle as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may require.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

(6) The prescribed fee referred to in section 35(6) and (6A) of the Act is \$50 for —

(a) each grant of a driving licence for any class of vehicle; or

(b) a renewal of a driving licence in relation to all classes of vehicles specified or endorsed on the licence.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

(7) Despite paragraph (6), no fee is payable —

(a) for the grant of a driving licence under rule 21 where a holder of a driving licence applies under that rule for a driving licence to drive a class of vehicle that his current driving licence does not permit him to drive; or

(b) for the grant of a driving licence to a person referred to in section 36(2)(a)(i) of the Act.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

(8) A fee of \$25 is payable for each grant or renewal of a provisional driving licence for any class of vehicle.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

(9) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may waive any fee referred to in this rule.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

**3A.** [Deleted by S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

**Driving licence not to be granted when another driving licence held by applicant suspended or revoked, etc.**

4.—(1) No person shall be granted a licence of any class if his application for such licence is made —

- (a) during the period of suspension of a licence, whether of the same or of a different class, held by him;
- (b) during the period for which he has been disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence, whether of the same or of a different class; or
- (c) within the period of one year from the date of the revocation of a licence, whether of the same or of a different class, held by him.

(2) To avoid doubt, the reference in this rule to the application for and the grant of a licence does not include an application for a renewal of a licence.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

**Validity of driving licences for all classes of vehicles other than Class 4, 4A and 5 where holder attains prescribed age**

4A. A Class 1, 2, 2A, 2B, 3, 3A, 3C or 3CA driving licence ceases to be in force on the date the holder of the driving licence attains 65 years of age and at the end of every 3 years after that date (called in this rule collectively the specified ages), unless the holder —

- (a) within 2 months before attaining any of the specified ages, undergoes a medical examination referred to in rule 5A(1) at his own expense; and
- (b) submits to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, within such time as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may require but in any event no later than the date before the holder attains any of the specified ages, a certification by the registered medical practitioner who conducted the medical examination that the holder is physically fit to drive a vehicle of that class.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

**Validity of Class 4, 4A and 5 driving licences where holder attains prescribed age**

5.—(1) A person who has attained 75 years of age shall not drive a Class 4, 4A or 5 vehicle.

[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]

(2) A Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence ceases to be in force on the date the holder of the driving licence attains 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73 or 74 years of age, unless the holder —

- (a) within 2 months before attaining any such age, undergoes a medical examination referred to in rule 5A(1) at his own expense;
- (b) submits to the Deputy Commissioner of Police, within such time as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may require but in any event no later than the date before the holder attains any such age, a certification by the registered medical practitioner who conducted the medical examination that the holder is physically fit to drive a vehicle of that class; and
- (c) within 2 months before attaining any such age, passes the whole or such part of the Proficiency Driving Test as may be required by the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]

(2A) For the purpose of paragraph (2)(c), a holder of a Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the whole or such part (as the case may be) of the Proficiency Driving Test if the holder meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass the whole or such part of that test.

[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]

(3) For the purpose of paragraph (2)(c), the Deputy Commissioner of Police may, in special circumstances, waive any of the requirements specified in the Proficiency Driving Test.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]



**Section 35(10A)(a) medical examination**

**5A.**—(1) The prescribed medical examination for the purposes of section 35(10A)(a) of the Act involves an examination of the driving licence holder's —

- (a) past medical history;
- (b) vision;
- (c) hearing;
- (d) movement; and
- (e) physical or mental abnormalities which may make the holder physically unfit to drive.

(2) The medical examination referred to in paragraph (1) and the certification of a holder of a driving licence as being physically fit to drive a vehicle of a class specified in his driving licence is to be conducted by —

- (a) such registered medical practitioner as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may specify; or
- (b) a registered medical practitioner of the holder's choice if the Deputy Commissioner of Police does not so specify.

(3) A person aged 65 years and above who applies for a new licence must —

- (a) within 2 months before his application, undergo a medical examination referred to in paragraph (1) at his own expense; and
- (b) submit together with his application, a certification by the registered medical practitioner who conducted the medical examination that the person is physically fit to drive a vehicle of that class.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

### **Proficiency Driving Test for holder of or applicant for Class 4, 4A and 5 driving licences**

6.—(1) The prescribed test of competence to drive for the purposes of sections 35(10A)(b) and 36(2)(b) of the Act is the Proficiency Driving Test.

(2) A holder of, or an applicant for, a Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence who is required by the Deputy Commissioner of Police to pass the Proficiency Driving Test shall make an application to the Deputy Commissioner of Police who shall arrange a time and place for the test to be conducted.

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

(2A) For the purpose of this rule and sections 35(10A)(b) and 36(2)(b) of the Act, a holder of or an applicant for a Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the whole or such part (as the case may be) of the Proficiency Driving Test if the holder or applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass the whole or part of that test.

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

(3) Where the holder or applicant referred to in paragraph (2) has failed the Proficiency Driving Test, the holder or applicant may apply to the Deputy Commissioner of Police for a retest.

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

### **Vehicle used for Proficiency Driving Test**

7. A person undergoing the Proficiency Driving Test shall provide at his own expense a motor vehicle which is, in the opinion of the person conducting the test, suitable for the purpose and which is in good mechanical condition.

### **Prescribed diseases and disabilities**

8.—(1) An applicant for a licence shall not be entitled to claim to be subjected to a test as to his fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle under section 37 of the Act if —

(a) he is suffering from mental disorder;

- (b) he is suffering from epilepsy;
- (c) he is liable to sudden attacks of disabling giddiness or fainting;
- (d) he is not able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a series of 6 letters and figures in white on a black background of the same size and arrangement as those prescribed for the identification mark of a motor vehicle; and

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

- (e) he is not able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), “mental disorder” includes idiocy and any mental disorder for which an order has been made under section 10 or 13 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) Act 2008 (Act 21 of 2008) for the detention in a psychiatric institution of the person suffering from that mental disorder for treatment.

*[S 55/2012 wef 27/02/2012]*

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Prescribed test for fitness to drive**

**8A.**—(1) For the purposes of section 37(5) and (8) of the Act, the prescribed test, in relation to an applicant for the grant of a driving licence or a licence holder, is a medical examination and certification by —

- (a) such registered medical practitioner as the Deputy Commissioner of Police may specify; or
- (b) a registered medical practitioner of the holder’s choice if the Deputy Commissioner of Police does not so specify,

stating that the applicant or licence holder, as the case may be, is fit to drive a motor vehicle.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(2) Where a licence holder claims to be subjected to the prescribed test under section 37(8) of the Act and he has previously undergone a medical examination by a registered medical practitioner for the

purpose of section 37(6) of the Act, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may, by notice in writing to the licence holder, require that the prescribed test be conducted by any other registered medical practitioner.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(3) The costs of the prescribed test referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be borne by the applicant or licence holder concerned.

*[S 245/2004 wef 30/04/2004]*

### **Prescribed test of competence for grant of driving licence**

**9.—**(1) An applicant for a Class 2, 2A or 2B driving licence shall be deemed to have passed the prescribed test of competence to drive referred to in sections 35(6A), 36(1), 43(1)(b) and 47A of the Act and shall be granted a driving licence if he satisfies the person conducting the test —

(a) that he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(b) that he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres;

(c) that he has passed the Motor Cycle Riding Theory Test referred to in the First Schedule;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(d) that he has passed the Practical Riding Test specified in Part 1 of the Second Schedule within one year of having passed the Motor Cycle Riding Theory Test referred to in the First Schedule; and

*[S 276/2013 wef 01/06/2013]*

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

(e) that he has attended and successfully completed a training programme known as the “Expressway Familiarisation

Ride” conducted by a licensed driving school after passing the Practical Riding Test referred to in sub-paragraph (d).

*[S 276/2013 wef 01/06/2013]*

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

(1A) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(c)(i), a person shall not be eligible to take the Motor Cycle Riding Theory Test referred to in the First Schedule unless he has already passed the Basic Driving Theory Test referred to in the Third Schedule.

*[S 55/2012 wef 27/02/2012]*

(1B) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(d), an applicant for a Class 2, 2A or 2B driving licence passes the Practical Riding Test if the applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass that test.

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

(2) An applicant for a Class 1, 3, 3A, 3C, 3CA, 4, 4A or 5 driving licence shall be deemed to have passed the prescribed test of competence to drive referred to in sections 35(6A), 36(1), 43(1)(b) and 47A of the Act and shall be issued a driving licence if he satisfies the person conducting the test —

- (a) that he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;
- (b) that he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres;
- (c) that he has passed the Basic Driving Theory Test specified in the Third Schedule;
- (d) that he has passed the Final Driving Theory Test specified in the Fourth Schedule; and
- (e) that he has passed the Practical Driving Test specified in Part 2 of the Second Schedule within 2 years of having

passed the Final Driving Theory Test specified in the Fourth Schedule.

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]

[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]

(2A) For the purpose of paragraph (2)(e), an applicant for a Class 1, 3, 3A, 3C, 3CA, 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the Practical Driving Test if the applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass that test.

[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]

(3) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may, in his discretion, waive all or any of the requirements of this rule.

(4) Notwithstanding any of the requirements in paragraphs (1)(c), (d) and (e) and (1A), an applicant for a Class 2, 2A or 2B licence who has passed the Police Class 2 Intermediate riding test (Basic) shall be deemed to have passed the prescribed test of competence to drive Class 2, 2A and 2B vehicles under sections 35(6A), 36(1), 43(1)(b) and 47A of the Act, or any former provision replaced by that section which applied when the application for the licence was made.

[S 108/2014 wef 01/03/2014]

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

### **Prescribed period for recognition of foreign driving licence of person who becomes citizen or permanent resident of Singapore or work pass driver**

**9A.** For the purposes of section 38(3) of the Act and the definition of “prescribed period” in section 38(5) of the Act —

- (a) the prescribed period for a person referred to in section 38(3)(a) of the Act is 3 months, starting from the date on which the person is granted a certificate of citizenship under the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore or an entry permit under the Immigration Act (Cap. 133), whichever first happens; and
- (b) the prescribed period for a person referred to in section 38(3)(b) of the Act is 6 months, starting from the

date on which the person is issued with a work pass under the Employment of Foreign Manpower Act (Cap. 91A).

*[S 794/2015 wef 01/01/2016]*

### **Persons by whom tests shall be conducted**

**10.**—(1) A test shall be conducted by a person appointed by the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

(2) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may appoint such other person as he thinks fit to supervise or observe the conduct of the test.

(3) A person appointed under paragraph (2) to supervise or observe the conduct of a test may be present in or on the vehicle which is being used in the conduct of the test.

### **Appointment of time and place for test**

**11.**—(1) Any person who desires to take a test shall make an application to the Deputy Commissioner of Police who shall arrange a time and place for the test to be conducted.

(2) In the case of an application for a second or subsequent test, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may in his discretion refuse to grant a test date earlier than 6 months from the date of the previous test.

(3) Paragraph (2) shall not apply to a person in respect of whom an order has been made by a court under section 36(7) of the Act.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Test not to be taken when another driving licence held by applicant suspended or revoked, etc.**

**12.** A person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to drive any class of vehicle —

- (a) during the period of suspension of a licence, whether for the same or for a different class of vehicle, held by him;
- (b) during the period for which he has been disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence, whether for the same or for a different class of vehicle;

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

- (c) within the period of one year from the date of the revocation of a licence, whether for the same or for a different class of vehicle, held by him; or

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

- (d) when any police investigation has been commenced against him for an offence under any of the following provisions:
- (i) sections 35(3), 43(4), 62, 65A(1), 66(1), 67(1), 70(4), 79(1), 84(7) (arising from a failure to comply with section 84(3)) and 116(7) of the Act;
  - (ii) section 3(2) of the Motor Vehicles (Third-Party Risks and Compensation) Act (Cap. 189);
  - (iii) section 304A of the Penal Code (Cap. 224).

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

### **Production of vehicle for test**

**13.** A person undergoing a test of competence to drive shall provide at his own expense a motor vehicle which is, in the opinion of the person conducting the test, suitable for the purpose and in good mechanical condition.

### **Restrictions against taking test of competence to ride Class 2, 2A or 2B vehicle**

**14.—(1)** A person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to ride a Class 2B vehicle if —

- (a) as the holder of a driving licence of any other class, he has accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test; or
- (b) as a new driver, he has, before the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test, committed on 2 or more occasions the offence under rule 5(4) of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules (R 32) of failing to display the distinguishing mark during his period of probation, whether or not he has been charged with or



convicted of that offence arising from any of the occasions on which he committed such offence.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

(2) A person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to ride a Class 2A vehicle if —

(a) he has been holding a driving licence in respect of a Class 2B vehicle for less than one year starting from the date that his Class 2B licence is granted;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(b) as the holder of a driving licence of any other class, he has accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test; or

(c) as a new driver, he has, before the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test, committed on 2 or more occasions the offence under rule 5(4) of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules (R 32) of failing to display the distinguishing mark during his period of probation, whether or not he has been charged with or convicted of that offence arising from any of the occasions on which he committed such offence.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

(3) A person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to ride a Class 2 vehicle if —

(a) he has been holding a driving licence in respect of a Class 2A vehicle for less than one year starting from the date that his Class 2A licence is granted;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(b) as the holder of a driving licence of any other class, he has accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test; or

(c) as a new driver, he has, before the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test, committed on 2 or more occasions the offence under

rule 5(4) of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules of failing to display the distinguishing mark during his period of probation, whether or not he has been charged with or convicted of that offence arising from any of the occasions on which he committed such offence.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

(4) Paragraph (2)(a) (or any former provision replaced by that provision which required the person to have been holding a driving licence in respect of a Class 2B vehicle for at least one year when he takes a test of competence to ride a Class 2A vehicle) shall not apply to, or in relation to, the application for or taking of the Police Class 2 Intermediate riding test (Basic) by an officer of the Singapore Police Force.

*[S 108/2014 wef 01/03/2014]*

(5) Paragraph (3)(a) (or any former provision replaced by that provision which required the person to have been holding a driving licence in respect of a Class 2A vehicle for at least one year when he takes a test of competence to ride a Class 2 vehicle) shall not apply to, or in relation to, the application for or taking of the Police Class 2 Intermediate riding test (Basic) by an officer of the Singapore Police Force.

*[S 108/2014 wef 01/03/2014]*

### **Restrictions against taking test of competence to drive Class 3, 3A, 3C or 3CA vehicle**

**15.** A person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to drive a Class 3, 3A, 3C or 3CA vehicle if —

- (a) as the holder of a driving licence of any other class, he has accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test; or
- (b) as a new driver, he has, before the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test, committed on 2 or more occasions the offence under rule 5(4) of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules of failing to display the distinguishing mark during his period of

probation, whether or not he has been charged with or convicted of that offence arising from any of the occasions on which he committed such offence.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

**Pre-requisite for and restrictions against taking test of competence to drive Class 4, 4A or 5 vehicle**

**16.—**(1) Any person desiring to submit himself for a test of competence to drive —

- (a) a Class 4 or Class 4A vehicle shall satisfy the Deputy Commissioner of Police that he is competent to drive a Class 3 or 3C vehicle; and

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

- (b) a Class 5 vehicle shall satisfy the Deputy Commissioner of Police that he is competent to drive a Class 4 vehicle.

(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1), a person shall not be allowed to apply for or take a test of competence to drive a Class 4, 4A or 5 vehicle if —

- (a) as the holder of a driving licence of any other class, he has accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test; or
- (b) as a new driver, he has, before the date of his application to take the test of competence or the date of his test, committed on 2 or more occasions the offence under rule 5(4) of the Road Traffic (New Drivers) Rules (R 32) of failing to display the distinguishing mark during his period of probation, whether or not he has been charged with or convicted of that offence arising from any of the occasions on which he committed such offence.

*[S 646/2010 wef 01/11/2010]*

(3) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may, in his discretion, waive all or any of the requirements of this rule.

### **Fees in respect of tests**

17.—(1) The fees payable for —

(a) a Motor Cycle Riding Theory Test, Basic Driving Theory Test or Final Driving Theory Test is \$6.50; and

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

(b) a Practical Riding Test, Practical Driving Test or Proficiency Driving Test is \$33.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

*[S 254/2016 wef 01/06/2016]*

(2) Such fees must be payable in advance and is not refundable.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

18. *[Deleted by S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Classification of motor vehicles**

19. For the purposes of these Rules, motor vehicles shall be divided into the following classes:

(a) Class 1 vehicles which shall consist of invalid carriages, that is to say, motor vehicles the weight of which unladen does not exceed 250 kilograms and which are specially designed and constructed, and not merely adapted, for the use of persons suffering from some physical defect or disability and are used solely by those persons;

(b) Class 2 vehicles which shall consist of motor cycles with a cylinder capacity that exceeds 400 cubic centimetres;

(c) Class 2A vehicles which shall consist of motor cycles with a cylinder capacity that exceeds 200 but does not exceed 400 cubic centimetres;

(d) Class 2B vehicles which shall consist of motor cycles with a cylinder capacity that does not exceed 200 cubic centimetres, or motor cycles which are propelled by electric motors and registered as motor cycles under the

Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing)  
Rules (R 5);

*[S 28/2009 wef 03/02/2009]*

- (e) Class 3 vehicles which shall consist of —
    - (i) motor cars constructed solely and adapted to carry not more than 7 passengers (exclusive of the driver) and the weight of which unladen does not exceed 3,000 kilograms; and
    - (ii) motor tractors and other motor vehicles the weight of which unladen does not exceed 2,500 kilograms.
- [S 304/2004 wef 31/05/2004]*
- (ea) Class 3A vehicles which shall consist of any class 3 vehicle which can be driven without the use of a clutch pedal;
- [S 515/2009 wef 01/09/2004]*
- (eb) Class 3C vehicles which consist of any class 3 vehicle other than a vehicle referred to in paragraph (e)(ii);
- [S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*
- (ec) Class 3CA vehicles which consist of any class 3C vehicle which can be driven without the use of a clutch pedal;
- [S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*
- (f) Class 4 vehicles which shall consist of heavy motor cars and motor tractors, the weight of which unladen exceeds 2,500 kilograms;
  - (g) Class 4A vehicles which shall consist of heavy motor cars which are omnibuses, that is to say, public service vehicles which are used on scheduled services and in which passengers are charged separate and distinct fares; and
  - (h) Class 5 vehicles which shall consist of —
    - (i) light locomotives, that is to say, motor vehicles which are not constructed to carry and load (other than water, fuel, accumulators and other equipment and materials used for the purpose of propulsion, loose tools and loose equipment) and the weight of which unladen does not exceed 11,500 kilograms; and

- (ii) heavy locomotives, that is to say, motor vehicles which are not constructed to carry any load (other than water, fuel, accumulators and other equipment and materials used for the purpose of propulsion, loose tools and loose equipment) and the weight of which unladen exceeds 11,500 kilograms.

### **Particulars to be entered on licence**

**20.**—(1) Every licence shall contain such particulars as may be required by the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

(2) A driving licence may authorise the holder thereof to drive all, or one or more, classes of motor vehicles as are specified in the driving licence.

(3) The holder of a licence shall not make any mark or entry upon, erase, cancel or alter any mark or entry contained in his licence.

### **Grant by endorsement on licence to drive additional classes of vehicles**

**21.** When the holder of a driving licence satisfies the Deputy Commissioner of Police that he is competent to drive a motor vehicle of a class which his driving licence does not permit him to drive, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may, on the application of the holder and subject to the holder passing all tests as may be required by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, grant the holder a licence to drive a motor vehicle of that class by making an endorsement on the driving licence.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Endorsement to invalidate class of vehicles from driving licence**

**21A.**—(1) Where a driving licence which has been revoked by the Deputy Commissioner of Police under section 35A(1) of the Act has been surrendered to the Deputy Commissioner of Police under section 35C of the Act and where the revocation does not apply to all the classes of vehicles which the holder is permitted to drive, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may return the driving licence to the holder after having made the necessary endorsement thereon.

(2) Where a driving licence which has been revoked by the Deputy Commissioner of Police under section 37(6) of the Act has been delivered to the Deputy Commissioner of Police under section 37(7) of the Act and where the revocation does not apply to all the classes of vehicles which the holder is permitted to drive, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may return the driving licence to the holder after having made the necessary endorsement thereon.

(3) Where the holder of a driving licence is prohibited under section 62A of the Act from driving any class of motor vehicles specified in that section and where the prohibition does not apply to all the classes of vehicles which the holder is permitted to drive, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may return the driving licence to him after having made the necessary endorsement thereon.

*[S 562/2002 wef 01/11/2002]*

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Conditions for grant of provisional licence**

**22.—**(1) A provisional licence to learn to drive —

(a) a Class 2B vehicle shall not be granted to an applicant unless —

(i) he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(ii) he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres;

(iii) he has passed the Basic Driving Theory Test referred to in the Third Schedule; and

*[S 55/2012 wef 27/02/2012]*

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(iv) *[Deleted by S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(v) he has not accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application; and

*[S 392/2005 wef 20/06/2005]*

(b) a Class 3, 3A, 3C or 3CA vehicle shall not be granted to an applicant unless —

(i) he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(ii) he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres;

*[S 392/2005 wef 20/06/2005]*

(iii) he has passed the Basic Driving Theory Test referred to in the Third Schedule; and

*[S 392/2005 wef 20/06/2005]*

(iv) he has not accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application.

*[S 392/2005 wef 20/06/2005]*

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

(2) An applicant shall not be granted a provisional licence to learn to drive —

(a) a Class 4 or Class 4A vehicle, unless —

(i) he is the holder of a driving licence authorising him to drive a Class 3 or 3C vehicle;

*[S 335/2015 wef 01/06/2015]*

(ii) he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;

(iii) he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres; and

(iv) he has not accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application; or

(b) a Class 5 vehicle, unless —

(i) he is the holder of a driving licence authorising him to drive a Class 4 vehicle;



- (ii) he is able to read at a distance of 25 metres (with the aid of spectacles or contact lenses, if worn) a motor vehicle number plate containing letters and figures;
- (iii) he is able to distinguish the colours red, amber and green from a distance of 25 metres; and
- (iv) he has not accumulated more than 12 demerit points as at the date of his application.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(3) A licensee must comply with the following conditions:

- (a) when the licensee is learning to drive a vehicle of a particular class, the licensee must be under the supervision and in the presence of a licensed instructor who holds the same class of licence as the licensee and who is —
  - (i) in the case of a licensee who holds a Class 2B provisional driving licence, riding astride behind the licensee as a pillion passenger within the circuit of a driving school which is licensed under Part III of the Act, or riding on another vehicle alongside, in front of or behind the licensee; or
  - (ii) in any case where the seating arrangement of the vehicle renders it practicable, sitting beside the licensee in the vehicle;
- (b) the licensee must not carry any passenger, except —
  - (i) in the case of a licensee who holds a Class 2B provisional driving licence, a licensed instructor or a person who is a holder of a provisional driving licence for the same class of vehicle, and only within the circuit of a driving school which is licensed under Part III of the Act; or
  - (ii) in the case of a licensee who holds a provisional driving licence other than a Class 2B provisional driving licence, any licensed instructor or person appointed under rule 10;

- (c) the licensee shall, while the motor vehicle is being driven by him, clearly display in a conspicuous position at the front and at the rear of the vehicle a distinguishing mark in the form set out in the Fifth Schedule; and
- (d) the licensee shall not, except when he is undergoing a test —
- (i) drive a motor vehicle within the areas set out in the Sixth Schedule on any day, not being a Sunday or a public holiday, during the following hours:
    - (A) 7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.
    - (B) 12.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.
    - (C) 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.;
  - (ii) drive a motor vehicle within the areas set out in the Sixth Schedule on a Saturday, if that Saturday is not a public holiday, during the following hours:
    - (A) 7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.
    - (B) 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m.; and
  - (iii) drive a motor vehicle at any time on any of the roads or within any of the places specified in the Seventh Schedule.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

(4) In this rule —

“licensee” means the holder of a provisional driving licence;

“licensed instructor” means —

- (a) a person who is employed as a driving instructor by a driving school which is licensed under Part III of the Act; or
- (b) a person who holds an instructor’s licence granted under Part III of the Act.

*[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]*

### **Validity of provisional licence**

**22A.** A provisional licence is valid for a period of 6 months.

*[S 314/2017 wef 20/06/2017]*

### **Holder of provisional licence not to drive vehicle on road when another driving licence held by him suspended or revoked, etc.**

**23.** The holder of a provisional licence shall not use the provisional licence for the purpose of driving a motor vehicle on the road —

- (a) during the period of suspension of a licence for a different class of vehicle held by him;
- (b) during the period for which he has been disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence for a different class of vehicle; or
- (c) within the period of one year from the date of the revocation of a licence for a different class of vehicle held by him.

### **Production of licence**

**24.** The Deputy Commissioner of Police or any authorised officer may by notice in writing require the holder of a licence to produce his licence for inspection at a time and place specified in the notice.

### **Replacement of licence**

**25.—(1)** The holder of a driving licence may apply for a replacement licence if the Deputy Commissioner of Police is satisfied that —

- (a) the original licence —
  - (i) is lost;
  - (ii) has been destroyed;
  - (iii) is so defaced that any particulars thereon are no longer decipherable; or
  - (iv) is in any way unsatisfactory for the purpose of the identification of the holder; or

(b) the holder of the licence is a person to whom section 44(3)(b) of the Act or rule 21 or 21A applies.

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(2) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may, on the receipt of an application under paragraph (1) and on payment of a fee of \$25, issue a replacement licence.

(3) The replacement licence issued under paragraph (1) shall have the same effect as the original.

(4) Where any person issued a replacement licence under paragraph (1)(a)(i) subsequently recovers possession of the original licence, he shall, within 7 days of its recovery, surrender the original licence to the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

(5) Any person who finds or comes into possession of a licence which does not belong to him shall immediately deliver the licence to a police station.

(6) Any person issued a replacement licence under paragraph (1)(a)(iii) or (iv) or (b) shall, within 7 days of receiving the replacement licence, surrender the original licence to the Deputy Commissioner of Police.

[S 562/2002 wef 01/11/2002]

### **Notification of change of address**

**26.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the holder of a licence shall notify the Deputy Commissioner of Police in writing of any change in his residential address within 28 days of the change.

(2) Where the holder of a licence who has changed his residential address makes a report of the change under section 8 of the National Registration Act (Cap. 201) within 28 days thereof, he shall be deemed to have notified the Deputy Commissioner of Police of the change in his residential address in compliance with paragraph (1).

### **Copy or extract of register**

**27.** The fee payable for a copy of, or an extract from, any records maintained by the Deputy Commissioner of Police shall be \$10.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Rule 9(1)(c) and (d) and (1A)

MOTOR CYCLE RIDING THEORY TEST

The Motor Cycle Riding Theory Test shall be a test on the subjects stated in the following table:

SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAIL
1. Human senses and judgment	<p>(a) Factors of riding: perception, judgment and reaction, reaction time, eyesight and field of vision, judgment of speed and distance as well as the discrepancies caused by fatigue, alcohol and drugs.</p> <p>(b) Blind spots.</p> <p>(c) Natural forces and vehicles: the relationship between natural forces (such as centre of gravity, inertia, centrifugal force and friction) and vehicle operations.</p>
2. Basic structure of motor cycle and vehicle maintenance	<p>(a) Basic structure of motor cycle: engine, mechanism of transmitting driving force, braking mechanism and wheels.</p> <p>(b) Vehicle maintenance: routine checks on fuel, oil, tyres, brakes, clutch, chain and lights.</p> <p>(c) Illegal modifications.</p>
3. Pre-riding checks	<p>(a) Carrying of driving licence and checking of brakes, signal lights, tyres and mirrors.</p> <p>(b) Riding wear: helmet, shirts, gloves, pants and shoes.</p> <p>(c) Riding posture and getting on and off motor cycle.</p> <p>(d) Loading method and planning of route.</p>
4. Proper handling of riding controls	<p>(a) The proper control of —</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) throttle grip;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) front brake lever and rear brake pedal;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(iii) clutch lever;</p>

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SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAIL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iv) gear shift pedal;</li> <li>(v) switches.</li> </ul> <p>(b) Reading of various meters and indicators.</p>
5. Riding skill	<p>Important safety and technical aspects of riding in various situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Moving off, stopping and parking: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Precautions before moving off and stopping.</li> <li>(ii) Measures to prevent danger and theft when leaving vehicle.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) Safe riding and gear changing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Speed regulation and gear selection: speed limit, safe following distance, the 2-second rule and braking distance.</li> <li>(ii) Braking technique: when and how to apply handbrake lever, brake pedal and engine brake for slowing down and emergency braking.</li> <li>(iii) Care to be taken when braking.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(c) Changing lane: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ways of making a left turn, right turn and U-turn: confirmation of safety, signalling, manoeuvring and changing of gear.</li> <li>(ii) When and how to change lane.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(d) Overtaking and being overtaken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) How to overtake safely.</li> <li>(ii) When and where not to overtake.</li> <li>(iii) Care required when being overtaken.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAIL
	<p>(e) At intersection:</p> <p>(i) The Give-Way Rules at intersection.</p> <p>(ii) Ways of passing through traffic junctions with and without traffic light or policeman control.</p> <p>(iii) The meaning of yellow box.</p> <p>(iv) How to negotiate at roundabout.</p> <p>(f) Interaction with other road users:</p> <p>(i) Rider and pedestrians: when travelling close to pedestrians, protection of crossing pedestrians and protection of children, elderly persons and handicapped persons.</p> <p>(ii) Rider and other vehicles: consideration for cyclists, habits of other road users and how to cope with them.</p> <p>(iii) Keeping left and keeping in lane.</p>
6. Riding under various road and weather conditions	<p>(a) Riding down and up a slope: technique and precautions.</p> <p>(b) Riding at night and in rainy weather: technique and precautions.</p> <p>(c) Cornering: the effect of speed in cornering and procedure for cornering.</p> <p>(d) Riding on expressways:</p> <p>(i) Acceleration and deceleration lanes.</p> <p>(ii) Restrictions on expressways.</p> <p>(iii) Proper usage of expressways.</p>
7. Defensive riding	<p>(a) Definition of defensive riding.</p> <p>(b) Interaction with other road users.</p>

FIRST SCHEDULE — *continued*

SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAIL
	(c) 6 positions of 2-vehicle crash.
	(d) Defensive riding rules.
	(e) 6 adverse riding conditions.
8. General knowledge	(a) The limitations of various types of driving licences.
	(b) Insurance and compensation.
	(c) Demerit point system and penalty.
	(d) The use of headlights.
	(e) Actions to be taken in the event of accidents, emergencies, breakdown and floods.
	(f) Minor vehicle malfunctions: identification of trouble spots and remedial action.

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[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

## SECOND SCHEDULE

Rules 2(1) and 9(1)(d) and (2)(e)

PRACTICAL RIDING TEST, PRACTICAL DRIVING TEST AND  
PROFICIENCY DRIVING TEST

## PART 1

The Practical Riding Test is a test of a person's ability to perform the following within a circuit or on the road (unless expressly provided otherwise):

- (a) start the engine of a motor vehicle;
- (b) drive the motor vehicle straight ahead or at an angle;
- (c) overtake, meet or cross the path of other motor vehicles and take an appropriate course;
- (d) turn right-hand and left-hand corners, with the motor vehicle, correctly;



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- (e) manoeuvre the motor vehicle along 'S' shaped and crank-shaft shaped paths within the circuit at a reasonable speed without hitting the kerb or losing balance;
- (f) manoeuvre the motor vehicle along a slalom path within the circuit at a reasonable speed without hitting the pylon or losing balance;
- (g) manoeuvre the motor vehicle on a narrow plank within the circuit at a reasonable speed without losing balance;
- (h) in the case of an applicant for a Class 2 or 2A driving licence only, manoeuvre the motor vehicle on the bumpy path within the circuit at a reasonable speed without losing balance;
- (i) in the case of an applicant for a Class 2 driving licence only, lift up a Class 2 motor vehicle that is lying on the ground within the circuit and push it round a figure '8';
- (j) in the case of an applicant for a Class 2 driving licence only, park a Class 2 motor vehicle on its centre stand within the circuit;
- (k) stop the motor vehicle in an emergency on a wet surface and under normal circumstances, and in the latter case bring it to a halt at an appropriate part of the road;
- (l) stop the motor vehicle on a slope and restart it;
- (m) give, by hand and by mechanical means, in a clear and unmistakable manner appropriate signals at appropriate times to indicate the person's intended actions;
- (n) act correctly and promptly on all signals given by traffic signs and traffic controllers, and take appropriate action on signals given by other road users;
- (o) competently drive, without danger to, and with due consideration for, other road users, a motor vehicle of the same class as that on which the person is tested.

PART 2

The Practical Driving Test is a test of a person's ability to perform the following within a circuit and on the road:

- (a) start the engine of a motor vehicle;
- (b) drive the motor vehicle straight ahead or at an angle;
- (c) overtake, meet or cross the path of other motor vehicles and take an appropriate course;

SECOND SCHEDULE — *continued*

- (d) turn right-hand and left-hand corners, with the motor vehicle, correctly;
- (e) U-turn at intersections, junctions or any opening in road dividers without causing any hindrance to other road users;
- (f) manoeuvre the motor vehicle along 'S' shaped and crank-shaft shaped paths without hitting the kerb;
- (g) stop the motor vehicle in an emergency and under normal circumstances, and in the latter case bring it to a halt at an appropriate part of the road;
- (h) in the case of an applicant for a Class 3, 3A, 3C, 3CA, 4 or 5 driving licence, stop the motor vehicle on a slope and restart it;
- (i) drive the motor vehicle backwards and whilst so doing enter a limited opening to the right or to the left;
- (j) cause the motor vehicle to face in the opposite direction by the use of forward and reverse gears;
- (k) give, by hand and by mechanical means (if fitted to a vehicle) or, in the case of a disabled driver for whom it is impracticable or undesirable to give signals by hand, by mechanical means, in a clear and unmistakable manner appropriate signals at appropriate times to indicate the person's intended actions;
- (l) act correctly and promptly on all signals given by traffic signs and traffic controllers, and take appropriate action on signs given by other road users;
- (m) competently drive, without danger to, and with due consideration for, other road users, a motor vehicle of the same class as that on which the person is tested;
- (n) in the case of an applicant for a Class 3A or 3CA driving licence, drive-up or reverse-up and stop on a hump using a motor vehicle;
- (o) in the case of an applicant for a Class 3 or 3C driving licence, drive-up or reverse-up and stop on a hump using a Class 3A or 3CA vehicle, as the case may be;
- (p) in the case of an applicant for a Class 3 or 3C driving licence, competently drive a Class 3A or 3CA vehicle, as the case may be, without danger to, and with due consideration for, other road users;
- (q) in the case of an applicant for a Class 4 driving licence, secure a load on the motor vehicle in a manner such that the load remains secure while the motor vehicle is being driven;

SECOND SCHEDULE — *continued*

- (r) in the case of an applicant for a Class 4 or 5 driving licence, estimate the overall height of the motor vehicle without the use of any measuring instrument;
- (s) in the case of an applicant for a Class 4 or 5 driving licence, answer correctly such questions on the meanings and implications of traffic signs as the person conducting the test may put to the applicant.

PART 3

The Proficiency Driving Test is a test of a person's ability to perform the following:

- (a) within a circuit —
  - (i) stop the motor vehicle in an emergency and under normal circumstances, and in the latter case bring it to a halt at an appropriate part of the road;
  - (ii) manoeuvre the motor vehicle on an 'S' shaped path without hitting any object placed on both sides of the path;
  - (iii) drive the motor vehicle straight ahead at a speed of 40 km/h through a straight and narrow path;
  - (iv) turn right-hand and left-hand corners, with the motor vehicle, correctly;
  - (v) give, by hand and by mechanical means (if fitted to a vehicle) in a clear and unmistakable manner, appropriate signals at appropriate times to indicate the person's intended action;
  - (vi) act correctly and promptly on all signals given by traffic signs and traffic controllers, and take appropriate action on signs given by other road users;
  - (vii) competently drive, without danger to, and with due consideration for, other road users, a motor vehicle of the same class as that on which the person is tested;
  - (viii) in the case of a holder of a Class 4 licence, secure a load on the motor vehicle in a manner such that the load remains secure while the motor vehicle is being driven;
  - (ix) in the case of a holder of a Class 4 or 5 licence, estimate the overall height of the motor vehicle without the use of any measuring instrument;

SECOND SCHEDULE — *continued*

- (x) in the case of a holder of a Class 4 or 5 licence, answer correctly such questions on the meanings and implications of traffic signs as the person conducting the test may put to the holder; and
  - (xi) manoeuvre the motor vehicle along a crank-shaft shaped path without hitting any object placed on both sides of the path;
- (b) on the road —
- (i) stop the motor vehicle in an emergency and under normal circumstances, and in the latter case bring it to a halt at an appropriate part of the road;
  - (ii) turn right-hand and left-hand corners, with the motor vehicle, correctly;
  - (iii) give, by hand and by mechanical means (if fitted to a vehicle) in a clear and unmistakable manner, appropriate signals at appropriate times to indicate the person's intended action;
  - (iv) act correctly and promptly on all signals given by traffic signs and traffic controllers, and take appropriate action on signs given by other road users;
  - (v) competently drive, without danger to, and with due consideration for, other road users, a motor vehicle of the same class as that on which the person is tested;
  - (vi) overtake, meet or cross the path of other motor vehicles and take an appropriate course; and
  - (vii) U-turn at intersections, junctions or any opening in road dividers without causing any hindrance to other road users.

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## THIRD SCHEDULE

Rules 9(1A) and (2)(c) and 22(1)(a)(iii)  
and (b)(iii)

## BASIC DRIVING THEORY TEST

The Basic Driving Theory Test shall be a test on the subjects stated in the following table:

SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAILS
<i>Section 1</i>	(a) Licensing system.
Driving licences	(b) Classification of driving licences.

THIRD SCHEDULE — *continued*

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- (c) Conditions of use of the following licences:
    - (i) Provisional Driving Licences (PDL).
    - (ii) Qualified Driving Licence (QDL).
  - (d) Driver Improvement Points System (DIPS):
    - (i) Incentive.
    - (ii) Scheduled Offences.
  - (e) Disqualification from driving, suspension and revocation of driving licence.
  - (f) Expired driving licence.
  - (g) Probationary drivers.
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*Section 2*

Traffic signs and signals

- (a) Traffic signs: mandatory signs, prohibitory signs, warning signs, regulatory signs, information signs and others.
  - (b) Traffic lights and signals: traffic signals and hand signals given by police officers.
  - (c) Road markings.
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*Section 3*

Traffic rules and regulations

Traffic rules and regulations on the following:

- (a) the keep-left rule.
  - (b) lane discipline.
  - (c) overtaking.
  - (d) road-hogging.
  - (e) speed limits.
  - (f) roundabouts.
  - (g) yellow box junctions.
  - (h) U-turns.
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THIRD SCHEDULE — *continued*

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- (i) stopping and parking.
  - (j) bus lanes.
  - (k) seat belts.
  - (l) headlights.
  - (m) driving while under influence of drink or drugs.
  - (n) light goods vehicles.
  - (o) use of mobile telephone while driving.
  - (p) driving in tunnels.
  - (q) driving on expressways:
    - (i) restrictions and proper usage on expressways.
    - (ii) safe driving on expressways.
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*Section 4*

## Code of conduct on the road

1. Code of conduct for all road users:
    - (a) road users on foot.
    - (b) pedal cyclists.
    - (c) road users on wheels.
    - (d) motor cyclists and scooterists.
  2. Code of conduct on the roads in the following situations:
    - (a) moving off.
    - (b) driving along a road: keeping left, lane discipline and road-hogging.
    - (c) overtaking.
    - (d) tailgating: following distance, 2-second rule and stopping distance.
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THIRD SCHEDULE — *continued*

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- (e) when at road junctions, box junctions and U-turns.
  - (f) reversing.
  - (g) stopping and parking.
  - (h) carrying of goods.
  - (i) General driving: safety of pedestrians, influence of alcohol and drugs, use of seat belts, horn, headlights, mirrors and signals, as well as giving way to ambulances and fire engines.
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[S 55/2012 wef 27/02/2012]

FOURTH SCHEDULE

Rule 9(2)(d) and (e)

FINAL DRIVING THEORY TEST

The Final Driving Theory Test shall be a test on the subjects stated in the following table:

SUBJECT	SUBJECT DETAIL
1. Human senses and judgment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Factors of driving: perception, judgment and reaction, reaction time, eyesight and field of vision, judgment of speed and distance as well as the discrepancies caused by fatigue, alcohol and drugs.</li><li>(b) Blind spots and wheel base differential when turning.</li><li>(c) Natural forces and vehicles: the relationship between natural forces (such as centre of gravity, inertia, centrifugal force and friction) and vehicle operations.</li></ul>

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FOURTH SCHEDULE — *continued*

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2. Basic structure of vehicle and vehicle maintenance	<p>(a) Basic structure of car: engine, mechanism for transmitting driving force, braking mechanism, steering mechanism and wheels.</p> <p>(b) Vehicle maintenance: routine checks on steering wheel, brakes, gauges, lights, horns, indicators, wipers, mirrors, coolant, engine oil, fan-belt and tyres.</p> <p>(c) Illegal modifications.</p>
3. Pre-driving checks	<p>(a) Checking of the position and operation of controls and instruments: adjustments of seat and mirrors, checking of gear position, fuel and the operation of brakes, etc.; driving posture and proper driving attire; driving preparation: proper physical condition, carrying of driving licence and planning of route.</p> <p>(b) Safety precautions: getting in and out of vehicle, opening and closing doors, checking area around before moving off.</p>
4. Proper handling of driving controls	<p>(a) The proper control of —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) steering wheel;</li><li>(ii) brake pedal;</li><li>(iii) clutch pedal;</li><li>(iv) acceleration pedal;</li><li>(v) gear-change lever;</li><li>(vi) hand-brake.</li></ul> <p>(b) Reading of various meters and indicators.</p>
5. Driving skill	<p>Important safety and technical aspects of driving in various situations:</p> <p>(a) moving off, stopping and parking.</p>

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FOURTH SCHEDULE — *continued*

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- (b) braking — smooth, sudden and engine braking.
  - (c) making left turns, right turns and U-turns.
  - (d) negotiating bends and curves.
  - (e) going uphill and downhill.
  - (f) driving along a straight road.
  - (g) positioning on the road and lane changing.
  - (h) driving through intersections.
  - (i) reversing.
  - (j) driving at night and in rainy weather.
  - (k) driving on expressways.
  - (l) driving with regards to the road safety of other road users (pedestrians, motorists and cyclists).
  - (m) driving through floods.
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6. Defensive driving
- (a) Definition of defensive driving.
  - (b) Interaction with other road users.
  - (c) 6 positions of 2-vehicle crash.
  - (d) Defensive driving rules.
  - (e) 6 adverse driving conditions.
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7. General knowledge
- (a) Accidents.
  - (b) Insurance and compensation.
  - (c) Breakdown.
  - (d) Emergency.
  - (e) Minor vehicle malfunctions: identification of trouble spots and remedial action.
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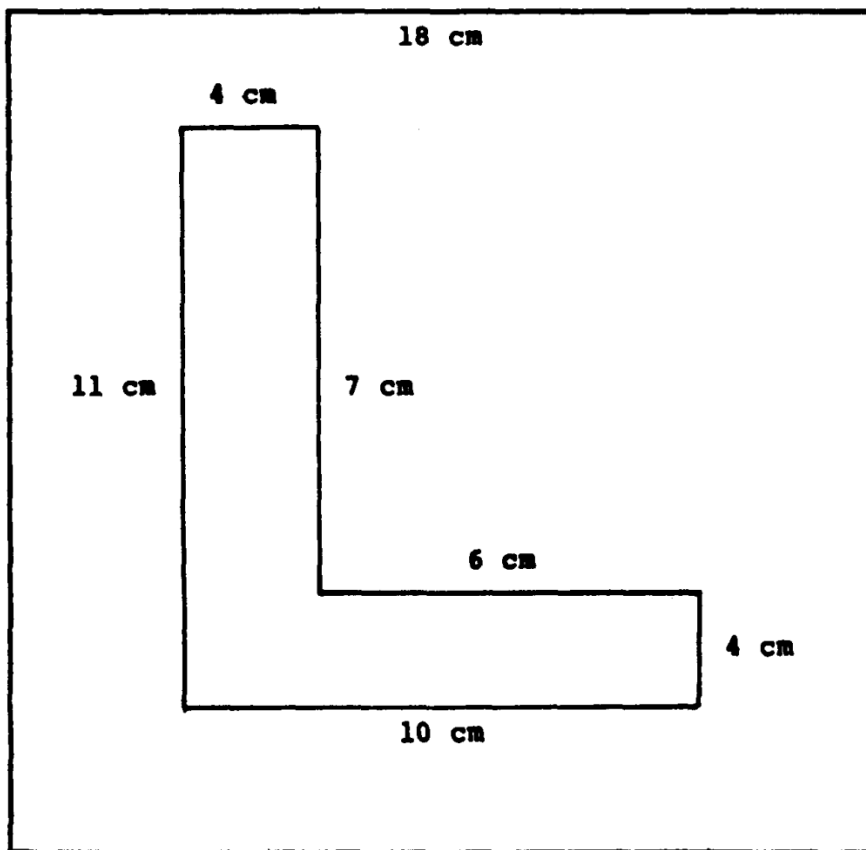
[S 55/2012 wef 27/02/2012]

## FIFTH SCHEDULE

Rule 22(3)(c)

Diagram of distinguishing mark to be displayed on a motor vehicle whilst being driven by the holder of a provisional licence.

## RED LETTER ON WHITE BACKGROUND



The corners of the white background may be rounded off.

## SIXTH SCHEDULE

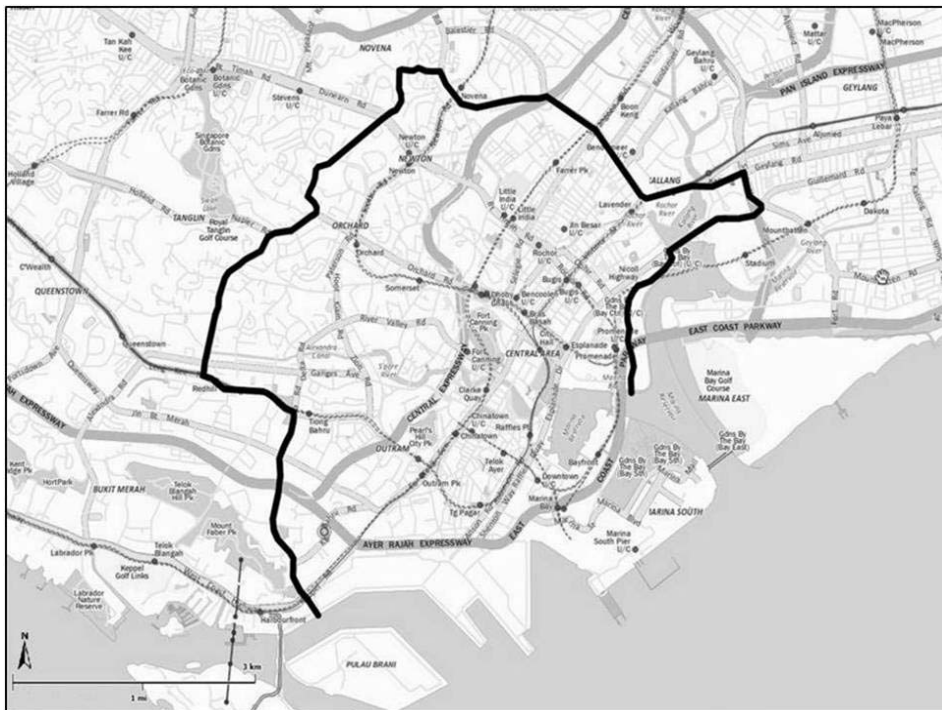
Rule 22(3)(d)(i) and (ii)

## PROHIBITED AREA

Commencing at a point on the southern coast of the island of Singapore where the production southwards of Kampong Bahru Road meets the sea coast, the boundary runs along the aforesaid production of Kampong Bahru Road to Kampong Bahru Road, thence in succession along Kampong Bahru Road, Lower

SIXTH SCHEDULE — *continued*

Delta Road, Tiong Bahru Road, Tanglin Road, Orange Grove Road, Anderson Road, Balmoral Road, Chancery Lane, Thomson Road, Moulmein Road, Balestier Road, Lavender Street, Kallang Road, Geylang Road, Sims Way, Nicoll Highway, Republic Avenue, Republic Boulevard, and ending at a point on the southern coast of the Island of Singapore where the production southwards of Republic Boulevard meets the sea coast, and which is more particularly delineated in the following map:



[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

**SEVENTH SCHEDULE**

Rule 22(3)(d)(iii)

**PROHIBITED PLACES AND ROADS**

1. All public parks.
2. Grounds of all hospitals.

[S 500/2005 wef 29/07/2005]

[S 46/2015 wef 01/02/2015]

## EIGHTH SCHEDULE

*[Deleted by S 276/2013 wef 01/06/2013]*

## NINTH SCHEDULE

Rule 3(3)

### SPECIFICATIONS OF PHOTOGRAPH

- (1) The photograph must be taken within a period of 3 months immediately before the date of the application for the driving licence.
- (2) The size of the photograph shall be 35 mm wide and 45 mm high.
- (3) The full face of the applicant shall appear in the photograph with the image of the applicant's face measuring between 25mm and 35mm from his chin to the crown of his head, and with his shoulders being just visible.
- (4) The background screen of the photograph shall be white, except where the applicant's hair is white, the background shall be light gray.
- (5) The photograph shall be in colour with a matt or semi-matt finish.
- (6) The photograph shall be of the applicant without any headgear, unless the applicant habitually wears a headgear in accordance with his religious or racial custom and the headgear does not hide the applicant's features.

*[S 562/2002 wef 16/12/2002]*

## TENTH SCHEDULE

*[Deleted by S 275/2013 wef 01/05/2013]*

*[G.N. Nos. S 343/85; S 182/90; S 441/94; S 82/95;  
S 288/95; S 289/95; S 419/95; S 432/95; S 363/96;  
S 421/97; S 484/98; S 77/99]*

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, DRIVING LICENCES)  
RULES  
(CHAPTER 276, R 27)

This Legislative History is provided for the convenience of users of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules. It is not part of these Rules.

**1. G. N. No. S 343/1985 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles Driving Licences) Rules 1985**

Date of commencement : 13 December 1985

**2. G. N. No. S 182/1990 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1990**

Date of commencement : 27 April 1990

**3. 1990 Revised Edition — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles Driving Licences) Rules**

Date of operation : 25 March 1992

**4. G. N. No. S 441/1994 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1994**

Date of commencement : 1 December 1994

**5. G. N. No. S 82/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 1 March 1995

**6. G. N. No. S 288/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 1 July 1995

**7. G. N. No. S 289/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 3) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 1 July 1995

**8. G. N. No. S 419/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 4) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 15 September 1995

**9. G. N. No. S 432/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 5) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 1 October 1995

**10. G. N. No. S 289/1995 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 3) Rules 1995**

Date of commencement : 1 November 1995

**11. G. N. No. S 363/1996 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1996**

Date of commencement : 1 October 1996

**12. G. N. No. S 421/1997 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1997**

Date of commencement : 1 October 1997

**13. G. N. No. S 484/1998 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1998**

Date of commencement : 1 October 1998

**14. G. N. No. S 77/1999 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 1999**

Date of commencement : 1 March 1999

**15. 1999 Revised Edition — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules**

Date of operation : 30 September 1999

**16. G. N. No. S 562/2002 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 2002**

Date of commencement : 1 November 2002  
(except rules 2(a) and (b), 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9)

**17. G. N. No. S 562/2002 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 2002**

Date of commencement : 16 December 2002  
(rules 2(a) and (b), 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9)

**18. G. N. No. S 245/2004 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment) Rules 2004**

Date of commencement : 30 April 2004

**19. G. N. No. S 304/2004 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2004**

Date of commencement : 31 May 2004

**20. G. N. No. S 515/2004 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 3) Rules 2004**

Date of commencement : 1 September 2004

**21. G. N. No. S 774/2004 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 4) Rules 2004**

Date of commencement : 1 January 2005

**22. G. N. No. S 392/2005 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2005**

Date of commencement : 20 June 2005

**23. G. N. No. S 500/2005 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 2) Rules 2005**

Date of commencement : 29 July 2005

**24. G. N. No. S 28/2009 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2009**

Date of commencement : 3 February 2009

**25. G. N. No. S 112/2010 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2010**

Date of commencement : 1 March 2010  
(rule 2(a))

**26. G. N. No. S 112/2010 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2010**

Date of commencement : 1 April 2010  
(rule 2(b))

**27. G. N. No. S 646/2010 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 2) Rules 2010**

Date of commencement : 1 November 2010

**28. G.N. No. S 55/2012 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2012**

Date of commencement : 27 February 2012

**29. G.N. No. S 275/2013 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2013**

Date of commencement : 1 May 2013

**30. G.N. No. S 276/2013 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 2) Rules 2013**

Date of commencement : 1 June 2013

**31. G.N. No. S 108/2014 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2014**

Date of commencement : 1 March 2014

**32. G.N. No. S 46/2015 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2015**

Date of commencement : 1 February 2015

**33. G.N. No. S 335/2015 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 2) Rules 2015**

Date of commencement : 1 June 2015

**34. G.N. No. S 794/2015 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment No. 3) Rules 2015**

Date of commencement : 1 January 2016

**35. G.N. No. S 254/2016 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2016**

Date of commencement : 1 June 2016

**36. G.N. No. S 314/2017 — Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences)  
(Amendment) Rules 2017**

Date of commencement : 20 June 2017