

Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Amendment Regulations 2021

Patsy Reddy, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 29th day of March 2021

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

These regulations are made under section 167 of the Land Transport Act 1998 on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Amendment Regulations 2021.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 30 April 2021.

3 Principal regulations

These regulations amend the Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Regulations 1999 (the **principal regulations**).

4 Schedule 1 amended

In Schedule 1, item relating to Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004 (61001), item relating to clause 7.3A, replace "80" with "150".

Michael Webster, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations come into force on 30 April 2021. They amend the Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Regulations 1999.

The amendment increases the infringement fee for using a mobile phone while driving a vehicle. This infringement fee was set in 2009, when using a phone while driving became both an offence and an infringement offence. The infringement fee is increased from \$80 to \$150.

The maximum penalty for the offence of using a phone remains the same (\$1,000). The demerit points also remain the same (20).

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.

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These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Transport.

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