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# THE GOODS-SERVICE VEHICLE (CONSTRUCTIONAL) REGULATIONS, 1936.

Enacting authority: His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

Act pursuant to which the regulations were made: Section 59 of the Transport Licensing Act, 1931, and all other powers enabling in that behalf.

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#### REGULATIONS.

## REGULATION 1.—PRELIMINARY.

(1) These regulations are arranged as follows:—

Regulation 1.—Preliminary.
Regulation 2.—Brakes.
Regulation 3.—Tires.

Regulation 4.—Steering-gear.

Regulation 5.—Inspection of Vehicle.

Regulation 6.—Jacks.

Regulation 7.—Liquid Fuel.
Regulation 8.—Dimensions and Loading.

Regulation 9.—Notification of Name and Weight.

Regulation 10.—Passenger-vehicles.

Regulation 11.—Offences and Penalties.

- (2) These regulations may be cited as the Goods-service Vehicle (Constructional) Regulations, 1936.
- (3) These regulations shall come into force on the 16th day of December, 1936.
  - (4) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"Approved" means approved by a Vehicle Inspector:

- "Body" means that portion of a vehicle designed or adapted to accommodate and protect the goods carried, and the driver and the attendants (if any):
- "Chassis" means all that portion of a vehicle exclusive of the body and attachments for the body:
- "Vehicle" means a motor-vehicle used under the authority of a continuous or seasonal goods-service license issued under the Transport Licensing Act, 1931:

- "Licensee" means the holder of the license under the authority of which a vehicle is so used, and includes an applicant for such license:
- "Vehicle Inspector" means a person appointed for the inspection of vehicles in terms of the Transport Licensing Act, 1931.
- (5) Subject to clause (4) hereof and unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in these regulations shall have the same meaning as in the Passenger-service Vehicle (Constructional) Regulations, 1936\* (hereinafter referred to as the "Passenger Regulations").
- (6) In so far as these regulations are inconsistent with or repugnant to the Heavy Motor-vehicle Regulations, 1932,† the Motor-vehicle Regulations, 1933,‡ or any regulations made in amendment thereof these regulations shall prevail; but save as aforesaid, compliance with these regulations shall not excuse any person from compliance with the other regulations above referred to.

## REGULATION 2.—Brakes.

- (1) Every brake connection of a vehicle that is such that either—
- (a) Its loss would render inoperative the brake mechanism on more than one wheel; or
- (b) It forms part of any brake system which operates directly on two wheels only or through the transmission gear only shall be secured by an approved locking device or by an approved hardened bolt with a castellated nut and split pin.
- (2) Every vehicle shall be fitted with brakes which comply with the requirements of the Motor-vehicle Regulations, 1933, but the stopping ability of the footbrake measured as provided in the said regulations shall be equivalent to 25 ft. from a speed of twenty miles per hour for a four-wheel braking system or to 35 ft. from a speed of twenty miles per hour for a two-wheel braking system.
- (3) For the purpose of testing the brakes the vehicle shall, if the Vehicle Inspector so requires, be presented with a load up to an equivalent of the maximum load authorized to be carried on the vehicle.

## REGULATION 3.—TIRES.

- (1) Every tire on a road wheel of a vehicle shall be made of rubber or other elastic material.
  - (2) Every such tire shall at all times be in a safe condition.

## REGULATION 4.—STEERING-GEAR.

(1) The steering-gear of every vehicle and all the connections thereof shall be of ample strength and their design shall be such as to give convenient and sensitive control.

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* Statutory Regulations, 1936-7, Serial number 79/1936, page 281.
† Principal regulations: Gazette, 16th February, 1932, Vol. I, page 302.
Amendment No. 1: Gazette, 25th August, 1932, Vol. II, page 1924.
Amendment No. 2: Gazette, 12th October, 1933, Vol. III, page 2496.
Amendment No. 3: Gazette, 28th March, 1935, Vol. II, page 781.
Amendment No. 4: Gazette, 5th September, 1935, Vol. III, page 2409.
Amendment No. 5: Gazette, 19th December, 1935, Vol. III, page 3981.
† Principal regulations: Gazette, 2nd March, 1933, Vol. I, page 381.
Amendment No. 1: Gazette, 21st September, 1933, Vol. III, page 2393.
Amendment No. 2: Gazette, 15th June, 1934, Vol. II, page 1885.
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(2) Unless a Vehicle Inspector otherwise approves, when ball-andsocket joints are used for steering-connections the respective parts of the ball-and-socket joint shall be prevented from separating through wear or neglect of maintenance by the provision of a special keeper or by fitting some other suitable and positive retaining-device approved for the purpose.

# REGULATION 5.—Inspection of Vehicle.

(1) Whenever the vehicle is presented for inspection for any purpose the licensee shall on each such occasion present it in a thoroughly clean condition in all its parts.

(2) The licensee shall give without charge every facility for expediting the inspection of the vehicle or its separate parts or for any testing or weighing thereof, and, if requested so to do, shall supply all tools or workshop equipment that it is possible for him to provide for the prompt inspection of the vehicle.

(3) The licensee shall also provide without charge any skilled or unskilled labour that may reasonably be required during the inspection.

## REGULATION 6.—JACKS.

One approved lifting-jack of an ordinary rated capacity of at least two-thirds of the unladen weight of the vehicle shall at all times while a vehicle is in service be carried in a position which is easy of access without the use of a key.

# REGULATION 7.—LIQUID FUEL.

Supplies of motor-spirits or other liquid fuel intended to be consumed in any vehicle shall not be carried in that vehicle otherwise

(a) The permanent fuel-supply tanks thereof; or

(b) A specially fitted approved emergency fuel-tank; or

(c) Approved containers.

## REGULATION 8.—DIMENSIONS AND LOADING.

(1) The maximum gross weight including load but excluding driver of any vehicle shall not exceed by more than one-fourth the maximum gross weight including load approved or authorized or permitted in respect of that vehicle or that make and type of vehicle by the manufacturer of the chassis of the vehicle.

(2) In the case of any vehicle or type of vehicle which is specially adapted to carry greater loads than those for which it was designed the maximum gross weight including load but excluding driver of any particular vehicle or any make and type of vehicle shall be such as may be determined in that behalf by the Commissioner, whose decision thereon shall be final.

(3) If live-stock are transported on a vehicle the loading and construction of the vehicle shall be such as to provide reasonably comfortable and safe accommodation for the stock to the satisfaction of the Vehicle Inspector.

(4) Subject to clauses (1), (2), and (3) hereof, the dimensions and loading of a vehicle shall conform to the appropriate regulations for

the time being in force under the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924.

## REGULATION 9.—NOTIFICATION OF NAME AND WEIGHT.

- (1) Every vehicle used regularly under the authority of a goodsservice license shall at all times bear conspicuously displayed thereon the name or trade-name and the business address of the licensee.
- (2) Every vehicle so used shall at all times bear displayed on the right or off side of the vehicle in clear characters not less than 1 in. in height a statement correct to within one hundredweight of the unladen weight of the vehicle in the form following—namely, "Unladen weight ... tons ... cwt."

#### REGULATION 10.—PASSENGER-VEHICLES.

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these regulations, any motor-vehicle used to carry passengers for hire or reward under a goods-service license endorsed for the carriage of passengers pursuant to section 28 of the Transport Law Amendment Act, 1933, shall, subject as hereinafter appears, be deemed to be a passenger-truck within the meaning and for the purposes of the Passenger Regulations.
- (2) Every such vehicle shall conform to Regulation 8 hereof and need not conform to the provisions of the Passenger Regulations relating to limitation of loads.
- (3) Every such vehicle shall conform to the provisions of the Passenger Regulations declared to apply to passenger-trucks.
- (4) It shall not be necessary for any such vehicle to conform to any provision of the Passenger Regulations from which exemption is duly granted.

## REGULATION 11.—OFFENCES AND PENALTIES.

- (1) No person shall use or drive or cause or permit to be used or driven for the purposes of a goods-service licensed under a continuous or seasonal goods-service license any vehicle that does not comply with the requirements set out in these regulations.
- (2) No person shall do or omit or cause or knowingly permit or suffer to be done or omitted any act, matter, or thing contrary to the provisions of these regulations.
- (3) No person shall in relation to any matter dealt with in these regulations make any statement or supply any information that is false or misleading in any material particular.
- (4) Any person who commits a breach of these regulations is liable to a fine not exceeding £10.

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