Serial Number 1951/136

THE HEAVY MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS 1950, AMENDMENT NO. 4

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 13th day of June, 1951

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

Pursuant to the Transport Act, 1949, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby make the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

- 1. These regulations may be cited as the Heavy Motor Vehicle Regulations 1950, Amendment No. 4, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Heavy Motor Vehicle Regulations 1950* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).
- 2. Regulation 8 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, after clause (5), the following clauses:—
- "(5a) Where due to rain, frost, or flood, it appears to the controlling authority that the continued use of heavy motor vehicles or of any class of heavy motor vehicle may cause extraordinary damage to any road and there is insufficient time to exercise the powers contained in clause (3) of this regulation, a controlling authority may prohibit conditionally or absolutely the use of heavy motor vehicles or any class of heavy motor vehicle for a specified period not exceeding one month. Notice of the prohibition shall be given by a printed or written placard posted in some conspicuous place near the entry or entries to the road affected by the notice, and as soon thereafter as may be practicable notice of the terms of the prohibition shall be given by the publication thereof in a newspaper circulating in the district to which the matter of the notice refers.

"(5B) The Minister may prohibit the use on any specified road of any heavy motor vehicle or of any combination of motor vehicles that includes a heavy motor vehicle and exceeds 30 ft. in length where he is satisfied that the road is not of a standard suitable for heavy motor vehicles or of any such combination of motor vehicles.

"(5c) Notice of any prohibition imposed under clause (5B) of this regulation shall be given by the controlling authority at least seven days before the commencement of the prohibition by publication of the terms of the prohibition in a newspaper circulating in the district to which the matter of the notice relates, and, where the prohibition relates to a combination of motor vehicles, the controlling authority

* Statutory Regulation 1950, Serial number 1950/26, page 69.

Amendment No. 1: Statutory Regulations 1950, Serial number 1950/69, page 220.

Amendment No. 2: Statutory Regulations 1950, Serial number 1950/178, page 814.

Amendment No. 3: Statutory Regulations 1951, Serial number 1951/45, page 173.

shall erect and maintain at the entry of the road affected by the notice a sign indicating the prohibition in the form of diagram No. 5 in the Third Schedule hereto—that is to say, in the form of a rectangle coloured lemon yellow bearing black letters and numerals and approximately of the dimensions in sign, letters, and numerals indicated in the diagram."

- 3. Regulation 8 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by omitting the words "under clause (3) of this regulation", and substituting the words "or by the Minister under clause (3), clause (5A), or clause (5B) of this regulation".
- **4.** The Third Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following diagram:—

"Diagram No. 5" Maximum Length Sign (Reg. 8(5c))



Black lines and letters on lemon yellow background.

T. J. SHERRARD, Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Regulation 2 of these regulations empowers road controlling authorities to restrict loading on roads at short notice where rain or frost or flood makes it necessary.

Regulation 3 empowers the Minister to prohibit the use of heavy motor vehicles or heavy motor vehicle combinations exceeding 30 ft. in length on roads which are considered to be unsuitable for those vehicles.

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