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THE TRAFFIC REGULATIONS 1936, AMENDMENT NO. 6

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 22nd day of
December, 1948

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, 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 Traffic Regulations 1936, Amendment No. 6.

2. These regulations shall be read together with and deemed part of the Traffic Regulations 1936* (hereinafter called the principal regulations).

3. These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 1949.

4. Regulation 17 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding, next following clause 3 thereof, the following clauses :—

“(4) Subject to the following provisions of this regulation and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any regulation or by-law, no person shall drive any motor-vehicle at a speed exceeding fifty miles an hour on any road.

“(5) It shall be a defence to any person charged with an offence against the last preceding clause if he proves that he was at the time of the act in respect of which he is so charged the driver of a motor-vehicle—

“(a) Used as an ambulance fitted with a siren or bell and being at the time used on urgent ambulance service ; or

* Statutory Regulations 1936/7, Serial number 1936/86, page 319.
Amendment No. 1 : Statutory Regulations 1939, Serial number 1939/76, page 306.
Amendment No. 2 : Statutory Regulations 1940, Serial number 1940/156, page 531.
Amendment No. 3 : Statutory Regulations 1943, Serial number 1943/199, page 444.
Amendment No. 4 : Statutory Regulations 1948, Serial number 1948/129, page 388.
Amendment No. 5 : Statutory Regulations 1948, Serial number 1948/170, page 517.

- “(b) Used for a fire-brigade for attendance at fires and at the time responding to a call of fire ; or
- “(c) Conveying a constable or a traffic inspector engaged on urgent business in the execution of his duty ; or
- “(d) Conveying a member of the Executive Council engaged on urgent public business, or conveying any other person authorized in that behalf by the Minister and engaged on urgent public business in the execution of his functions.
- “(6) Nothing in clause (4) hereof shall operate—
- “(a) To make lawful in respect of any place for which a lower limit of speed than fifty miles an hour is duly fixed any speed in excess of that lower limit ; or
- “(b) To make it a defence in any proceedings for an offence relating to the use of a motor-vehicle, other than an offence against clause (4) hereof, that at the time of the alleged offence the motor-vehicle was being driven at a speed not exceeding fifty miles an hour.”

5. Clause (6) of Regulation 14 of the principal regulations, as substituted by paragraph (b) of Regulation 5 of the Traffic Regulations 1936, Amendment No. 3, is hereby amended by revoking the words “or the presence of a compulsory stop sign”, and by inserting, next following the words “traffic inspector”, the word “or”.

6. Regulation 14 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, next following clause (6) thereof, the following clause:—

“(6A) Every driver of a motor-vehicle when approaching any compulsory stop sign affecting any portion of an intersection or part of a road shall before entering such intersection or reaching such part of the road stop his vehicle and ascertain that the way is clear for him to proceed and shall not proceed unless the way is clear.”

7. Clause (6) of Regulation 22 of the principal regulations, as substituted by paragraph (b) of Regulation 6 of the Traffic Regulations 1936, Amendment No. 3, is hereby amended by revoking the words “or the presence of a compulsory stop sign”; by inserting, next following the words “traffic inspector”, the word “or”; and by revoking the words “the next succeeding clause” where they occur in subclause (c), and substituting the words “clause (7) of this regulation”.

8. Regulation 22 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, next following clause (6) thereof, the following clause:—

“(6A) Every rider when approaching any compulsory stop sign affecting any portion of an intersection or part of a road shall, before entering such intersection or reaching such part of the road, stop his vehicle and ascertain that the way is clear for him to proceed and shall not proceed unless the way is clear.”

9. Clause (5) of Regulation 25 of the principal regulations, as substituted by paragraph (b) of Regulation 7 of the Traffic Regulations 1936, Amendment No. 3, is hereby amended by revoking the words “or the presence of a compulsory stop sign”; by inserting, next following the words “traffic inspector”, the word “or”; and by revoking the words “the next succeeding clause” where they occur in subclause (c), and substituting the words “clause (6) of this regulation”.

10. Regulation 25 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by inserting, next following clause (5) thereof, the following clause :—

“(5A) Every driver when approaching any compulsory stop sign affecting any portion of an intersection or part of a road shall, before entering such intersection or reaching such part of the road, stop his vehicle and ascertain that the way is clear for him to proceed and shall not proceed unless the way is clear.”

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

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act, 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Transport Department.