



THE TRAFFIC REGULATIONS 1976, AMENDMENT NO. 6

DAVID BEATTIE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 29th day of June 1981

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Transport Act 1962, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Traffic Regulations 1976, Amendment No. 6, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Traffic Regulations 1976* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 14th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Places controlled by traffic signals—Regulation 18 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following proviso: “Provided further that where at any such place there are traffic signs that have been erected pursuant to a notice given under regulation 127A of these regulations, then, in so far as the directions given by the traffic signals are inconsistent with those given by the traffic signs, every person (including a pedestrian) using the roadway at that place shall comply with the directions given by the traffic signs and not those given by the traffic signals.”

3. Application fee for appointment as approved testing authority—Regulation 84 (10) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the expression “\$20”, and substituting the expression “\$40”.

*S.R. 1976/227

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1978/72

Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1978/301

Amendment No. 3: (*Revoked by S.R. 1980/115*)

Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1980/31

Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1980/115

4. Experimental traffic signs overriding traffic signals—The principal regulations are hereby amended by inserting, after regulation 127, the following regulation:

“127A. (1) The Minister may from time to time, by notice in the *Gazette*, authorise for experimental purposes the erection and maintenance of traffic signs overriding directions given by traffic signals at any place or places specified in the notice; and any controlling authority may erect and maintain such signs in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in such a notice.

“(2) In any such notice, the Minister shall state—

“(a) The way in which the directions given by the traffic signals may be overridden; and

“(b) The period (not exceeding 2 years) during which the traffic signs may have effect;—
and may impose such other terms and conditions as he thinks fit.

“(3) Not less than 2 weeks before erecting a traffic sign authorised by the Minister under this regulation, the controlling authority shall cause notice of the erection of the sign to be advertised twice in a local newspaper circulating in the district where the traffic signals are installed.

“(4) The controlling authority shall remove a sign erected pursuant to a notice given under this regulation forthwith after the expiry of the period stated in the notice pursuant to subclause (2) (b) of this regulation.”

A. C. McLEOD,
Acting for 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 empower the Minister of Transport to authorise the erection, for experimental purposes only, of traffic signs that override directions given by traffic signals. Public notice must be given at least 2 weeks before the signs are erected, and the signs must be removed not later than 2 years after their erection.

These regulations also increase, from \$20 to \$40, the application fee for appointment as an approved testing authority for warrants of fitness.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Transport.