

(4) Upon the expiration of such seven days a controlling authority other than the Minister shall apply to the Minister for his approval of such classification, and shall forward with its application any objections thereto received as aforesaid.

(5) The Minister may approve such classification as proposed or may alter the same either in accordance with any objection received or otherwise, and then approve the same as altered.

(6) No classification shall have any force or effect until approved by the Minister in writing and publicly notified as provided by the next succeeding clause hereof.

(7) Upon the giving of such approval the controlling authority shall give public notice of the classification effected, and of the Minister's approval thereof.

(8) Any such classification may, with the Minister's approval, be varied from time to time, and the foregoing procedure shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply on any such variation.

#### 8. USE OF CLASSIFIED ROADS.

(1) Classified roads shall be available for use by motor-lorries up to the maximum weights hereinafter set out:—

Road.	Maximum Weight.
First Class .. ..	No restriction of weight (subject to Regulation 3).
Second Class .. ..	8 tons.
Third Class .. ..	6 "
Fourth Class .. ..	4 "
Fifth Class .. ..	2½ "

(2) No person shall on any classified road operate any motor-lorry the weight of which, together with the weight of the load it is actually carrying, exceeds the maximum weight for which a road of that class is by the last preceding clause hereof declared to be available.

(3) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, a controlling authority may give written permission for any licensed motor-lorry to be used on any road classified so as not to be available for the use thereon of such motor-lorry, subject to such conditions as to weather, speed, weight of load, number of trips, payment for damage done by such use, or any other condition whatsoever, as such controlling authority may think fit to impose.

(4) Every person operating a motor-lorry under a permission given as aforesaid shall comply with all the conditions expressed in such permission.

#### 9. GENERAL TRAFFIC RULES.

(1) No person shall operate any motor-lorry unless such motor-lorry is equipped with a reflector situated on one side thereof or periscopic in its nature and so arranged as to enable the driver of such motor-lorry, whether loaded or unloaded, to become aware of the existence or approach of anything behind the motor-lorry.

(2) No such equipment shall extend laterally more than 4 ft. from the centre-line of the wheel-track of the motor-lorry, except in accordance with the provisions of any written permission issued under Regulation No. 6.

(3) The driver of any motor-lorry when about to change the direction in which he is travelling or about to stop shall indicate his intention of so doing by means of arm signalling, but if the motor-lorry is equipped with mechanical warning-signals in proper order he may operate such signals in lieu of giving arm signals.

(4) Any controlling authority may prohibit absolutely or conditionally the use on any road of motor-lorries, or of any class of motor-lorry, during any specified period or periods, but this power shall be exercised in a reasonable manner.

(5) No person shall operate any traction-engine or metal-tired motor-lorry unless the consent thereto in writing is first obtained from the controlling authority.

(6) Such consent may be expressed to relate to all roads under the control of the controlling authority, or any particular road or portion thereof, and to be subject to such conditions as the controlling authority may think fit to impose.

(7) Every person operating any traction-engine or metal-tired motor-lorry under a consent given as aforesaid shall comply with all the conditions expressed in such consent.

(8) Notice of any prohibition under clause (4) of this regulation shall be given by the controlling authority at least seven days before the commencement of the specified period, or the first of the specified periods, by means of a statement conveying the general effect of the prohibition published in some newspaper circulating in the district to which the matter of the notice relates, and if there is no such newspaper then by a printed or written placard posted in some conspicuous place on the road affected by such notice.

(9) No person shall operate any motor-lorry on any road where its use has for the time being been prohibited by a controlling authority under clause (4) of this regulation.

(10) All powers exercised or consents given in terms of Regulation 9 of the Motor-lorry Regulations, 1925, shall enure as if they had been effected under this regulation.

#### 10. HEAVY-TRAFFIC LICENSES.

(1) Every license shall be applied for and issued in respect of one motor-lorry only.

(2) Every local authority having control of any road, with the exception of the Main Highways Board and Road Boards other than the Road Board of any road district in a county wherein the Counties Act, 1920, is suspended or is not in force, shall be a licensing authority entitled to issue licenses under these regulations.

(3) Except as provided by the next succeeding clause hereof, application for a license shall be made to the licensing authority having the control of the roads (or which but for the provisions of the Main Highways Act, 1922, and the Road Boards Act, 1908, would have the control of the roads) in the area of which is situate the garage (as defined by the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924) of the motor-lorry which is the subject of the application.

(4) Any licensing authority may, with the consent of any other licensing authority in the same heavy-traffic district (as defined by Regulation No. 13 hereof) issue licenses and collect fees and do all matters incidental thereto in accordance with these regulations, in respect of motor-lorries the garage of which is situated in the district of the second licensing authority, and may in respect of all licenses so issued make the deductions provided for by clause 2 of Regulation No. 13 hereof, but no such arrangement shall otherwise affect any apportionment of license fees to be made under Regulation No. 13 hereof.

(5) Applications for a license shall be made in writing by the owner in accordance with Form A in the Schedule hereto.

(6) Upon receipt of such application and upon payment of the license fee the licensing authority shall issue to the applicant a heavy-traffic license in accordance with Form B in the Schedule hereto: Provided that the licensing authority may, at its discretion, allow credit for a term not exceeding nine months for payment of any portion or portions of any license fee. In such case every reasonable effort must be made by the licensing authority to collect any amount outstanding before the end of the licensing year; and, if payment is not made in fulfilment of the terms arranged, the licensing authority may cancel the license, whereupon the owner shall surrender the relative license and indication-disc to the licensing authority.

(7) Any heavy-traffic license issued under these regulations by any local authority shall operate within and throughout New Zealand.

(8) Every license shall be an annual license and shall expire on the 31st day of March in each year, but in the case of any motor-lorry in respect of which the owner thereof does not become liable to pay a license fee until a date subsequent to the 30th day of April in any license year the local authority shall issue a license for the remaining part of the license year, but in such case the annual license fee shall be reduced by one-twelfth part for every complete month by which that period is less than one year.

(9) Neither the owner of any motor-lorry nor any other person shall use or permit to be used any motor-lorry upon any road unless and until a heavy-traffic license has been obtained in accordance with these regulations, irrespective of whether the license fee has been paid or whether credit has been allowed for the same or any part thereof.

(10) On application by or on behalf of any owner, and on proof to the satisfaction of the licensing authority by statement in writing, statutory declaration, or other evidence that any license or copy of a license has been lost or mutilated, or become illegible, and on payment of a fee of 2s. 6d., the licensing authority shall at any time during the currency of the license issue to the owner a copy thereof, certified as being a true copy, and such copy shall be available for all purposes for which the original license could have been available under these regulations.

(11) Every licensing authority shall keep a true and faithful record of all applications for licenses, of all licenses, copies of licenses, and indication-discs issued, of all fees paid, and of all particulars supplied under Regulation No. 16, and such particulars as will enable a copy of any license to be issued if required, together with record of cancellation of licenses, and transfer of the ownership of any motor-lorries.

(12) No heavy-traffic license fee other than that fixed by these regulations shall be made, levied, charged, or collected by any local authority having control of roads in respect of any motor-lorry.