

(6) (a) Any local authority competent to issue motor-drivers' licenses under the said Act and these regulations, may, on such terms as may be mutually agreed on, enter into an arrangement with any other competent local authority that such last-mentioned local authority shall issue motor-drivers' licenses in lieu of the first-mentioned local authority.

(b) Any arrangement entered into pursuant to this clause may make provision for the apportionment of license fees.

(c) During the continuance of any such arrangement the local authority issuing the licenses in terms thereof shall for the purposes of this regulation be deemed to be the appropriate local authority for the district of the local authority on behalf of which the licenses are issued.

(7) An application for extension of a license to vehicles of another class shall be made by the applicant in person to the appropriate local authority, and need not be in writing, but the applicant shall produce the license of which an extension is sought. The provisions of clauses (5) and (6) of this regulation shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to any application for an extension.

(8) If by reason of any change in the garage of a motor-vehicle or in the permanent residence of the applicant, or by reason of the application of clause (5) hereof, the local authority granting the extension is not the local authority by which the license was issued, the local authority granting the extension shall forthwith send particulars of the nature and date of the extension to the local authority by or on behalf of which the license was issued for entry in its record of licenses.

4. ISSUE OF LICENSES.

(1) On the expiry of a motor-driver's license issued under these regulations or any regulations hereby revoked, or on the presentation of a motor-driver's license issued to the applicant by some public authority in any other country than New Zealand, a new license may, if the local authority thinks fit, be issued to the holder thereof without further examination or other evidence as to his ability to drive a motor-vehicle: Provided that no license shall be issued under the authority of this clause purporting to authorize the holder thereof to drive any motor-vehicle other than a motor-vehicle of the kind or kinds specified or substantially indicated in the license expired or presented as aforesaid.

(2) In every other case where application is made for a motor-driver's license or an extension thereof, the local authority shall cause the applicant to undergo the appropriate tests prescribed by the next succeeding regulation, and no license shall be issued until the testing officer has certified to the local authority in writing in the prescribed form that the applicant has passed such tests to the extent and at the standard required for a license of the class applied for.

(3) Every motor-driver's license shall be in the form numbered 2 in the Schedule hereto, or to the effect thereof.

(4) A motor-driver's license may, in the discretion of the issuing local authority, be issued subject to a condition that the licensee shall at all times while driving a motor-vehicle use aids to vision, hearing, or use of the limbs, or subject to any other similar condition deemed by the issuing local authority to be necessary for the public safety.

(5) If any aids to vision or hearing were used during the prescribed tests it shall in all cases, and whether or not such condition is set out in the license, be a condition of the license that the licensee shall, while driving a motor-vehicle and during the full term of the license, save with the written consent of the local authority issuing the license, use the same or like aids to vision or hearing respectively.

(6) If the practical driving test pursuant to which a license is granted has been undergone in—

- (a) A steam vehicle, that is to say, a vehicle driven by steam-power (however generated); or
- (b) An electrically-controlled vehicle, that is to say, a vehicle driven by electric power (however generated) or a vehicle in which changes of gear are effected by electrical means; or
- (c) A gearless vehicle, that is to say, a vehicle in which changes of gear are unnecessary, automatic, or nearly so; or
- (d) A vehicle specially designed for persons suffering from physical disability;

then such license shall be issued subject to the condition that it does not authorize the driving of any vehicle other than a steam-vehicle or an electrically-controlled vehicle, or a gearless vehicle, or a vehicle specially designed as aforesaid, as the case may be.

(7) A license to drive a motor-vehicle of any class (whether or not a condition to that effect is contained in the license) shall not authorize the holder to drive a steam-vehicle or electrically-controlled vehicle unless such authority is specifically granted by the license.

(8) For the purposes of an extension to the driving of other vehicles of a license which is subject to any of the

restrictions or conditions referred to in the two last preceding clauses, a steam vehicle electrically-controlled vehicle, gearless vehicle, or vehicle specially designed as aforesaid shall be deemed to be a vehicle of a different class from vehicles not so driven, controlled, or designed.

(9) No license subject to a condition shall be deemed to authorize the holder to drive any motor-vehicle while failing to comply with the terms of the condition.

(10) On application by any person to whom a license has been issued, and on proof to the satisfaction of the local authority which finally received the fee for the issue of the license by statement in writing, statutory declaration, or other evidence that such license or any copy of such license has been lost, destroyed, or mutilated, or become illegible, and on payment of a fee of two shillings and sixpence, such local authority may, at any time during the currency of the license, issue to such person a duplicate thereof, including any extension or endorsement made thereon, marked as being a duplicate, and such duplicate shall be available for all purposes for which the original license could have been available. Upon such issue the local authority shall place upon all relative existing records relating to the original license a note to the effect that a duplicate has been issued, and stating the date of issue of such duplicate.

5. TESTS FOR DRIVERS OF MOTOR-VEHICLES.

(1) The tests to be passed by applicants for a motor-driver's license shall be conducted by testing officers approved for that purpose by the Minister, and shall include the following:—

- (i) Eyesight and hearing tests;
- (ii) A test in knowledge of traffic law;
- (iii) Practical driving tests.

(2) The eyesight and hearing tests shall not be required from any applicant who furnishes to the local authority from a registered medical practitioner a certificate in or to the effect of the form numbered 3 in the Schedule hereto, excluding paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 thereof, and the eyesight test shall not be required from any applicant who furnishes to the local authority from a registered medical practitioner or optician a certificate in or to the effect of the form aforesaid excluding paragraphs 2, 3, 4, and 5 thereof.

(3) The eyesight and hearing tests shall be conducted as follows:—

- (a) A test-card shall be used consisting of a line of type equal in size to Snellen's distance test type;
- (b) The combinations of letters in the test type shall be varied by the testing officer from time to time;
- (c) The applicant (who may wear glasses during the test) shall be placed at a distance of 20 ft. from the test type, which should be well illuminated;
- (d) If the applicant has the use of only one eye while driving, that eye should be equal to or better than the six-ninths standard;
- (e) If the applicant has the use of both eyes while driving, and if neither eye is equal to or better than the six-ninths standard, then each eye singly must be equal to or better than the six-eightieths standard, and both eyes together must be equal to or better than the six-twelfth standard;
- (f) The applicant shall be capable of hearing each word uttered in an ordinary conversational voice at a distance of 10 ft.

(4) No license shall be issued to any applicant who fails to pass the tests prescribed by the last preceding clause, unless he furnishes to the local authority from a registered medical practitioner or registered optician, as the case may require, the certificate or certificates referred to in clause (2) of this regulation: Provided that no such certificate shall be available under this clause unless it refers to a personal examination conducted on a date subsequent to that of the tests conducted by the testing officer.

(5) The test in knowledge of traffic law shall consist of (a) questions to be given and answered *viva voce* from sections 27 to 33 (both inclusive) of the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, or any amendments thereof, and from each regulation of the regulations for the time being in force relating to the driving of motor-vehicles on the road; (b) evidence of familiarity with the correct driving signals under the said regulations; and (c) evidence of familiarity with the duties of motor-drivers at railway level crossings.

(6) The practical driving tests shall be conducted in a vehicle of the class in respect of which the license is sought and shall comprise the matters set out in items numbered respectively from 5 to 17 (so far as applicable) in the form numbered 4 in the Schedule hereto.

(7) Every applicant for a license to drive a public motor-car or a motor-omnibus shall pass the test in knowledge of traffic law and each of the tests comprised in the said items 5 to 17 at a good standard, and every applicant for a license of any