

By-laws regulating Traffic on the Taupo - National Park Main Highway.

WHEREAS by section 9 of the Main Highways Act, 1922 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), the powers, rights, duties, and liabilities vested in or imposed on the Governor-General or the Minister of Public Works (in the case of Government roads) are, in the case of main highways, transferred to and vested in or imposed on the Main Highways Board:

And whereas by subsection (5) of section 33 of the Finance Act, 1924, it is provided that any by-laws in force in respect of any public highway immediately prior to its constitution as a main highway under the said Act shall continue in force as if made by the Main Highways Board in respect of that main highway unless and until they are revoked or superseded pursuant to powers conferred by the said Act:

And whereas by Order in Council made on the 2nd day of April, 1928, and published in the *Gazette* on the 5th day of the same month, at page 929, the road from Taupo to National Park was declared to be a main highway (hereinafter referred to as "the said main highway"):

And whereas in pursuance of the authority conferred by section 139 of the Public Works Act, 1908, and section 4 of the Motor Regulation Act, 1908, the Minister of Public Works, on the 27th day of May, 1924, made by-laws in respect of the Waimarino-Tokaanu Road (being part of the said main highway) which were published in the *Gazette* on the 29th day of the same month, at page 1322, regulating traffic on the said road and the said by-laws are still in force and enure under the provisions of the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, and the Public Works Act, 1928:

Now, therefore, the Main Highways Board, in pursuance of the authority conferred by section 9 of the said Act, the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924, the Public Works Act, 1928, and all other powers in anywise enabling it in this behalf, doth hereby revoke the said by-laws, and doth hereby make the following by-laws in respect of the Taupo - National Park Main Highway, and doth hereby declare that such revocation shall take effect, and the by-laws hereby made shall come into force on the 1st day of April, 1932.

BY-LAWS.

1. Interpretation.

- (1) IN these by-laws, where not inconsistent with the context,—
- "Engineer" means the Engineer of the Public Works Department for the time being a member of the District Highways Council of the No. 6 Highway District:
 - "Gross weight" means the weight of any traction-engine, motor-lorry, machine, or other vehicle, together with any persons and any thing or things being transported thereon:
 - "To operate" means to use or drive or to cause or suffer to be used or driven or to permit to be upon the said main highway:
 - "Wet weather" means any time when rain, hail, snow, or sleet is falling:
 - "Authorized person" means and includes "Engineer" as hereinbefore defined, or any Traffic Inspector, Overseer, or surfaceman in charge of the said main highway or any part thereof.
 - "Heavy traffic" has the meaning given to that term by section 155 of the Public Works Act, 1928.
- (2) These by-laws may be cited as "The Taupo - National Park Main Highway Traffic By-laws, 1932."

2. Prohibition of Traffic.

(1) During the whole or any part of the months of May, June, July, August, and September no person shall, on the Taupo - National Park Main Highway during wet weather or within twelve hours thereafter, operate any vehicle, engine, or machine engaged in heavy traffic of any kind whatsoever if the gross weight thereof exceeds 3 tons.

(2) The weight of loading or contents of any vehicle may for the purposes of these by-laws be computed from the cubical or superficial measurements of such loading or contents, and for this purpose the