

Amendment
of Act No. 2
of 1992.

The Sierra Leone Roads Authority Act, 1992 is amended-

- (a) in section 2 by the insertion of the following definitions:-

““core road network” means the primary and secondary roads forming part of the national road network;

“national road network” means all the roads and ferries in Sierra Leone”.

- (b) by the repeal and replacement of section 5 by the following section:-

“Functions of Authority. 5 (1) The object for which the Authority is established is the control, development, maintenance, efficient planning and reliable management of the national road network to provide safe, reliable and sustainable means of transport.

(2) For the attainment of the object stated in subsection (1), the Authority shall-

- (a) develop a national policy on the maintenance, rehabilitation, improvement and management of the national road network and exercise control over its implementation;
- (b) specify the national road network and determine a functional classification scheme;
- (c) set the width of the right-of-way for roads which form part of the national road network;

- (d) develop strategies, programmes and projects for roads forming part of the national road network and road infrastructure facilities;

- (e) develop technical instructions and standards on roads forming part of the national road network;

- (f) formulate annual and multi-year activities and work programmes for roads forming part of the national road network and those forming part of the core road network;

- (g) delegate with the Minister’s approval the maintenance and protection of any road or ferry forming part of the national road network;

- (h) commission engineering, traffic and economic studies for the maintenance, safety and improvement of the national road network;

- (i) implement a road asset management system for the national road network;

- (j) commission location and design studies and preparation of construction plans, specifications, cost estimates and other documents;

- (k) subject to the Road Traffic Act, 2007, erect and maintain traffic signs on the national road network;

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of 2007.

- Act No. 1 of 2004.
- (l) propose vehicle weight and dimension limits for the protection of roads, bridges and ferries and ensure their enforcement in collaboration with the relevant enforcement body;
 - (m) determine the weight and dimension limits applicable to bridges or ferries and erect or place notices to that effect;
 - (n) provide technical guidance and support to local councils in the maintenance of roads devolved to them under the Local Government Act, 2004;
 - (o) support specialist road-related training organized or provided by any body or person;
 - (p) commission applied road-related research;
 - (q) keep adequate cost records and operate a management information system providing managers at all levels with timely and accurate information on commitments and expenditure for works and services for which they are responsible;
 - (r) carry out a comprehensive continuing programme of professional staff development and appropriate skills training for non-professional staff; and

- (s) carry out such other activities as may be required under this Act”.

- (c) by the repeal and replacement of Part III by the following Part:–

PART III – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

12. (1) The governing body of the Authority shall be a Board of Directors consisting of–

- (a) a Chairman who has knowledge and experience in matters relating to the functions of the Authority;
- (b) the professional head of the Ministry or his representative;
- (c) the Financial Secretary or his representative;
- (d) the Director of Local Government or his representative;
- (e) a representative of the Sierra Leone Institution of Engineers with knowledge and experience in road development, construction or maintenance;
- (f) five other persons; and
- (g) the Director-General.

(2) Members of the Board other than the members referred to in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of subsection (1) shall be appointed by the President on the recommendation of the Minister and subject to approval by Parliament.

(3) In appointing the members referred to in paragraph (f) of subsection (1) the President shall take gender into consideration.

13. (1) The Chairman and other members of the Board except the ex-officio members shall hold office for three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term only.

Tenure of office of Board members.