Road Traffic (Pedestrian Crossings) Rules

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ROAD TRAFFIC (PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS) RULES

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1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Pedestrian Crossings) Rules.

Definitions

- 2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

 "ambulance" means a motor vehicle that is specifically equipped for
 - (a) the transport on roads of; and
 - (b) the provision, during such transport, of out-of-hospital clinical care to,

sick or injured individuals who require emergency medical treatment;

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"authorised", for an ambulance, means —

- (a) being specified in a licence (other than a revoked licence) under the Healthcare Services Act 2020 authorising the use of the ambulance to provide a licensable healthcare service specified in that licence; or
- (b) being owned by the Government and used for the purposes of the Singapore Armed Forces or the Singapore Civil Defence Force;

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"bicycle" has the meaning given by the Act, and includes a vehicle that has

3 wheels, has pedals, and is built to be propelled solely by human power and to transport people only (with or without carry-on baggage);

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"cyclist" means an individual who is riding a bicycle or power-assisted bicycle, but excludes an individual walking beside and pushing a bicycle or power-assisted bicycle;

[S 274/2018 wef 05/05/2018]

"informal crossing" means any part of a road that —

- (a) is established by a person other than the Authority for the use of a cyclist, mobility vehicle user, PMD rider or pedestrian in order to cross the road; but
- (b) is not indicated by traffic signs, signals or road markings;

[S 73/2019 wef 01/02/2019]

"mobility scooter" and "wheeled toy" have the meanings given by section 2(1) of the Active Mobility Act 2017 (Act 3 of 2017);

[S 274/2018 wef 05/05/2018]

"mobility vehicle" means a mobility scooter or a motorised wheelchair;

[S 73/2019 wef 01/02/2019]

"mobility vehicle user" means an individual who is driving a motorised wheelchair or riding a mobility scooter, but excludes an individual who is walking beside and pushing a mobility vehicle;

[S 73/2019 wef 01/02/2019]

"pedestrian" means —

- (a) an individual walking, with or without animals;
- (b) an individual in a non-motorised wheelchair;
- (c) [Deleted by S 73/2019 wef 01/02/2019]
- (d) an individual travelling on inline skates, roller-skates or a wheeled toy;
- (e) an individual pushing a pram, stroller or trolley, or a motorised or non-motorised wheelchair; or
- (f) an individual walking beside and pushing a bicycle, power-assisted bicycle, personal mobility device, mobility scooter or any other vehicle;

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"pedestrian crossing" means any part of a road, subway or bridge established for

the use of a cyclist, mobility vehicle user, PMD rider or pedestrian crossing the road, and indicated as such by traffic signs, signals and road markings as shown in any of the diagrams in Part I of the Schedule;

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"PMD" means a personal mobility device;

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"PMD rider" means an individual who is riding a personal mobility device on a road as permitted by section 5A(2) of the Act, but excludes an individual who is walking beside and pushing a PMD;

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- "zebra controlled area", in relation to a zebra crossing, means the area of the road in the vicinity of the crossing and lying on both sides of the crossing or only one side of the crossing, being an area the presence and limits of which are as shown in the diagrams in Part II of the Schedule, but there may be variation in the exact curvature or pattern of the zig-zag lines to suit the layout of or the character of the road so long as the general indication of the lines is not materially impaired;
- "zebra crossing" means a pedestrian crossing, the limits of which are indicated by alternate black and white stripes of between 550 millimetres and 650 millimetres or otherwise in width and of not less than 2.5 metres or otherwise in length parallel to the side of the road, the presence and limits of which are as shown in the diagrams in Part II of the Schedule.

Pedestrians, cyclists, mobility vehicle users and PMD riders must use crossings

3.—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (5), any pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user or PMD rider who is within 50 metres of either side of a pedestrian crossing, or within such shorter distance, as indicated by traffic signs shall make use of the pedestrian crossing for the purpose of crossing the road.

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- (2) The traffic signs indicating the limits of the 50 metres or other shorter distance shall be prominently displayed and shall be as shown in the diagrams in Part III of the Schedule.
- (3) Where a pedestrian crossing is designated by two parallel yellow lines drawn across a road at a junction or an intersection, a pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user or PMD rider shall cross parallel with the flow of vehicular traffic and where a pedestrian crossing is designated by a signalised traffic sign, a pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user or PMD rider shall only cross when the green man in the signalised traffic sign is illuminated.

(4) Where a railing or other similar structure has been erected on the edge of a pavement of grass verge along one side of a road or on a road divider, no person shall climb over or crawl underneath or go through such railing or structure, or any gap therein to cross to the opposite side of the road or for any other purpose.

Exemptions

- (5) The following persons shall be exempted from paragraph (1) where a pedestrian crossing is an overhead bridge:
 - (a) a person who has not the complete use of either one or both of his legs; and
 - (b) a person who has been certified by a registered medical practitioner to be suffering from a heart disease or any other ailment or defect to such an extent or degree that it may dangerously affect his health or physical condition if that person were to use an overhead bridge.

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Precedence for pedestrians, cyclists, mobility vehicle users and PMD riders

4. The driver of a vehicle who is in the process of turning his vehicle at a road intersection or junction where there is a pedestrian crossing shall stop his vehicle in order to give way to any pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user or PMD rider who is either crossing or is starting to cross the intersection or junction.

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Vehicle approaching crossing to slow down

5. The driver of every vehicle approaching a pedestrian crossing must proceed only at such speed as will enable him to stop his vehicle before reaching the crossing.

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Precedence at uncontrolled crossing

6. The driver of every vehicle at, or approaching, a pedestrian crossing where traffic is not for the time being controlled by a police officer or by light signals shall allow free and uninterrupted passage to any pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user or PMD rider who is either crossing or is starting to cross a road and every pedestrian, cyclist, mobility vehicle user and PMD rider shall have precedence over all vehicular traffic at such crossing.

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