

**Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 1999**  
**(No. 45 of 1999)**

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**REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE**  
**GOVERNMENT GAZETTE**  
**ACTS SUPPLEMENT**

The following Act was passed by Parliament on 24th November 1999 and assented to by the President on 30th November 1999:—

**ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ACT 1999**

**(No. 45 of 1999)**

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I assent.

S R NATHAN

*President.*

*30th November 1999.*

**Date of Commencement: 21st December 1999**

An Act to amend the Road Traffic Act (Chapter 276 of the 1997 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

**Short title and commencement**

1. This Act may be cited as the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 1999 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

**Amendment of section 2**

2. Section 2(1) of the Road Traffic Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of “police officer”, the following definition:

“ “public place” means any place or premises, whether privately owned or not, to which the general public or any section of the general public is permitted to have access, whether on payment or otherwise;”.

### **Amendment of section 5**

3. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after subsection (5), the following subsection:

“(5A) Any person who is guilty of the offence under subsection (5) of altering a vehicle or trailer in contravention of this section shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.”.

### **Amendment of section 10**

4. Section 10 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after subsection (2), the following subsection:

“(3) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.”.

### **Amendment of section 12**

5. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after subsection (3), the following subsection:

“(4) Any person who fails to comply with subsection (2) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.”.

### **Amendment of section 19**

6. Section 19 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after subsection (3), the following subsection:

“(3A) Without prejudice to subsection (3), the Registrar may refuse to issue a vehicle licence if he is satisfied that the vehicle in respect of which the licence is to be issued is registered in the name of a person who, pursuant to a warrant of court, has been arrested in connection with an offence under this Act or the rules or any written law specified in Part I of the Schedule and the offence has not been tried and determined by the court.”.

## **Amendment of section 25**

7. Section 25 of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsections (2), (3) and (4) and substituting the following subsections:

“(2) The rules may —

- (a) provide for the issue of a permit, in respect of a vehicle not registered under this Act that is brought into Singapore from any place outside Singapore (referred to in this section as a foreign vehicle), authorising the keeping and use in Singapore of the vehicle for such period as the Registrar may determine;
- (b) prescribe the manner of application for such permit;
- (c) provide for the levy of a fee for the issue of such permit in accordance with such rates as may be prescribed by the Minister;
- (d) prescribe the conditions for the issue of such permit;
- (e) provide for the extension of the period of validity of such permit;
- (f) provide for the cancellation of such permit;
- (g) provide for such permit to be stored in an electronic form on such stored value card, device or appurtenance as may be issued by the Authority or its agent;
- (h) regulate the issue and use of such stored value card, device or appurtenance;
- (i) provide for the levy of a fee for the issue of such stored value card, device or appurtenance;
- (j) provide for the levy of a tax for the keeping or use of a foreign vehicle in Singapore in accordance with such rates as may be prescribed by the Minister;
- (k) prescribe the manner in which any fee or tax payable under the rules is to be levied and collected, including the use of electronic or computerised or other facilities, and the use by the foreign vehicle concerned of specified points of exit from Singapore, for that purpose;
- (l) prescribe the records to be kept by the Registrar in connection with the rules; and
- (m) empower the Registrar and any officer authorised by him to prohibit the entry into or exit from Singapore of any foreign vehicle if any fee