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**ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC
(MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING)
(AMENDMENT NO. 9) RULES 2012**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 34 and 140 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Transport hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 9) Rules 2012 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2013.

New rule 4A

2. The Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 4, the following rule:

“Vehicle testing for vehicles which cease to be tax exempt

4A. Where a motor vehicle which is registered on or after 1st January 2013 —

- (a) ceases to be exempt from the payment of any tax payable under section 11 of the Act; and
- (b) does not have its carbon dioxide emission value recorded in the register of vehicles maintained by the Registrar under rule 12,

the Registrar may, before re-registering the motor vehicle under these Rules, require the motor vehicle to be produced for an inspection and testing by any examiner authorised by the Registrar under the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Test) Rules (R 21).”.

Amendment of rule 8

3. Rule 8 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (7)(e) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (b) by inserting, immediately after the words “rule 9B” in paragraph (7)(f), the words “or 9C”;
- (c) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (7)(g)(i) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (d) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (8) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”;
- (e) by deleting the words “or 9B” in paragraph (8A) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”; and
- (f) by deleting the words “3 years” in paragraph (15A)(b) and substituting the words “one year”.

Amendment of rule 8A

4. Rule 8A(5) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words “or 9B” in sub-paragraph (b) and substituting the words “, 9B or 9C”.

Amendment of rule 9A

5. Rule 9A of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “on or after 1st June 2004” wherever they appear in paragraph (1)(b) and substituting in each case the words “on any date between 1st June 2004 and 31st December 2012 (both dates inclusive)”;
- (b) by deleting the words “on or after 1st July 2010” wherever they appear in paragraph (1)(c) and substituting in each case the words “on any date between 1st July 2010 and 31st December 2012 (both dates inclusive)”;
- (c) by deleting the words “In the case of a new vehicle first registered on or after 1st June 2004 or a secondhand vehicle first registered in Singapore on or after 1st July 2010, where” in paragraph (5) and substituting the word “Where”.

Amendment of rule 9AA

6. Rule 9AA(3) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting “2012” in sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c)(i) and (c)(ii) and substituting in each case “2014”.

Amendment of rule 9B

7. Rule 9B(5) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting “2013” in sub-paragraph (i) and substituting “2015”.

New rule 9C

8. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 9B, the following rule:

“Carbon emissions rebate for new or secondhand car or taxi registered on or after 1st January 2013

9C.—(1) Subject to rule 8 —

- (a) where a new or a secondhand vehicle is to be first registered in Singapore on or after 1st January 2013 as a motor car (other than a taxi) and has a carbon emission level not exceeding the minimum limit of the neutral carbon emission band; or
- (b) where a new vehicle is to be registered in Singapore on or after 1st January 2013 as a taxi and has a carbon emission level not exceeding the minimum limit of the neutral carbon emission band,

the registered owner of the vehicle may apply to the Registrar for a rebate on the fees payable under rule 7(1) in respect of the vehicle to be first registered.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (6) and (7), the amount of the rebate which the Registrar may grant upon an application under paragraph (1) shall be as specified in Part IIA or IIB of the First Schedule, as the case may be.

(3) In the case of a secondhand vehicle, any rebate granted under paragraph (1) shall not be used to offset the sum of \$10,000 payable under rule 7(1A) at the time of its first registration in Singapore.