

Road Traffic (International Circulation) (Amendment) Rules 2000

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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (INTERNATIONAL CIRCULATION) (AMENDMENT) RULES
2000

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 25, 140 and 142 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Communications and Information Technology hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (International Circulation) (Amendment) Rules 2000 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2000.

Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2 of the Road Traffic (International Circulation) Rules (R 7) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of “abroad”, the following definitions:

““ASEAN goods vehicle” means a goods vehicle exceeding 1,000 kg in weight unladen and in respect of which a licence or permit for its use issued under the law of an ASEAN member country is in force;

“ASEAN member country” means any of the following countries:

- (a) Brunei Darussalam;
- (b) Republic of Indonesia;
- (c) Lao People’s Democratic Republic;
- (d) Malaysia;
- (e) Union of Myanmar;
- (f) Republic of the Philippines;
- (g) Kingdom of Thailand;

(h) Socialist Republic of Vietnam;

(i) Kingdom of Cambodia;

“ASEAN public service vehicle” means a public service vehicle (other than a private hire car) in respect of which a licence or permit for its use issued under the law of an ASEAN member country is in force;

“card machine” means a machine designated by the Registrar for recording information in electronic form on a vehicle entry card and for deducting any toll or vehicle entry fee from a vehicle entry card or other stored value card;”;

(b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of “registration certificate” and substituting a semicolon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definitions:

““relevant checkpoint” means the Immigration Checkpoint at Woodlands, the Immigration Checkpoint at Tuas or the Changi Ferry Terminal;

“stored value”, in relation to a vehicle entry card, means the amount of money standing to the credit of the card;

“stored value card” means a stored value card which, when used with a card machine in a way authorised by the Registrar, results in the appropriate amount of vehicle entry fee payable for a vehicle under these Rules being deducted from the stored value of the card;

“toll” means the toll payable for the use of the Johore Bahru-Woodlands Causeway or the Second Crossing under the Road Traffic (Collection of Toll at Woodlands and Tuas Checkpoints) Rules 2000 (G.N. No. S 138/2000);

“valid vehicle entry card” means a vehicle entry card the period of usage of which, as recorded in an electronic form on the card by the Authority, has not expired;

“vehicle entry card” means a stored value card issued under rule 19 (3) or 22C (2), as the case may be;

“vehicle entry permit”, in relation to a motor vehicle, means a

permit granted to a person under rule 19, 20 or 20A to bring the motor vehicle into Singapore.”; and

- (c) by renumbering the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraphs:

“(2) A reference in these Rules to a vehicle entry card in relation to a motor vehicle is a reference to a vehicle entry card on which the registration number of the motor vehicle has been electronically recorded by an authorised officer.

(3) A reference in these Rules to a vehicle entry fee for a motor vehicle is a reference to the fee payable for the vehicle entry permit granted in respect of that motor vehicle.”.

New rule 2A

3. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 2, the following rule:

“Conditions for bringing foreign vehicles into Singapore

2A.—(1) Except as otherwise permitted in writing by the Registrar, no person shall bring a motor vehicle not registered under the Act into Singapore unless there is in force in respect of that motor vehicle —

- (a) in the case of a motor vehicle registered under the laws of Malaysia that is not an ASEAN goods vehicle or an ASEAN public service vehicle, a vehicle entry permit granted under Part IV; and
- (b) in the case of a motor vehicle registered under the laws of any other country that is not an ASEAN goods vehicle or an ASEAN public service vehicle, a vehicle entry permit granted under Part IV and either —
 - (i) a visitor’s licence issued under Part V of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5); or
 - (ii) an international circulation permit issued under Part III;
- (c) in the case of an ASEAN goods vehicle, an ASEAN GV permit granted under Part IVA; or
- (d) in the case of an ASEAN public service vehicle, an ASEAN PSV

permit granted under Part IVA.

(2) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence.”.

Deletion and substitution of heading

4. The principal Rules are amended by deleting the heading to Part III and substituting the following heading:

“INTERNATIONAL CIRCULATION PERMITS”.

Amendment of rule 17

5. Rule 17 of the principal Rules is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) Any person to whom an international circulation permit has been issued in respect of a motor vehicle shall, before using that motor vehicle in Singapore at any time after the permit has ceased to be valid —

(a) apply for and obtain a licence under the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) in respect of that vehicle; or

(b) apply for and obtain another international circulation permit in respect of that motor vehicle.”;

(b) by deleting the words “paragraph (1)” in the 3rd line of paragraph (2) and substituting the words “paragraph (1)(a)”; and

(c) by inserting, immediately after the word “licence” in the marginal note, the word “, etc.”.

Deletion and substitution of heading

6. The principal Rules are amended by deleting the heading to Part IV and substituting the following heading:

“VEHICLE ENTRY PERMITS”.

Deletion and substitution of rules 18, 19 and 20 and new rules 20A to 20I

7. Rules 18, 19 and 20 of the principal Rules are deleted and the following rules