

Road Traffic (Driver Improvement Points System) Rules

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1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Driver Improvement Points System) Rules.

Definitions

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

“driving licence” means a licence to drive a vehicle granted under Part II of the Act;

“scheduled offence” means an offence listed in the Schedule.

Award of demerit points

3.—(1) Demerit points as set out in the Schedule shall be awarded to the holder of a driving licence who has been convicted of a scheduled offence or has paid the prescribed penalty for the offence.

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(2) Any demerit points awarded under paragraph (1) shall take effect from the date of the commission of the offence.

(3) The Deputy Commissioner of Police shall keep a register setting out the names and other particulars of all holders of driving licences who have been awarded demerit points.

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Suspension of driving licence

4.—(1) The Deputy Commissioner of Police may suspend, for a period not exceeding 36 months, the driving licence of any person who has been awarded within a period of 24 months a total number of 24 or more demerit points.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), where the driving licence of a person has been suspended or is liable to suspension under paragraph (1), then notwithstanding paragraph (1), whenever subsequently such person has been awarded within a period of 12 months a total number of 12 or more demerit points, the Deputy Commissioner of Police may suspend the driving licence of that person for a period not exceeding 36 months.

(3) Paragraph (2) shall not apply where the person referred to in that paragraph does not commit any scheduled offence for a period of 24 consecutive months subsequent to the date his licence is liable to suspension or the date of expiry of the suspension or the date of expiry of the period for which he is disqualified by an order of court made on or after 1st March 1983 from holding or obtaining a driving licence, as the case may be.

(4) In calculating the number of demerit points which will render such person's driving licence liable to suspension under paragraph (1) or (2), only such demerit points shall be taken into account as have been awarded against that person within a total period of 24 consecutive months or 12 consecutive months, as the case may be, calculated from the date of the first award of demerit points within that period and all demerit points awarded before that period shall be disregarded.

(5) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), where the holder of a driving licence does not commit any scheduled offence for any period of 12 consecutive months, excluding any period for which his driving licence is suspended under these Rules or any period for which he is disqualified by an order of court made on or after 1st March 1983 from holding or obtaining a driving licence, every demerit point awarded against him before that period shall be disregarded in calculating the number of demerit points which will render his driving licence liable to suspension.

(6) Paragraph (5) shall not apply where the demerit points are awarded to the holder of a driving licence after the 12-month period mentioned in that paragraph for a scheduled offence committed before that period and such demerit points would, if taken into account with other demerit points awarded before that period, render the driving licence of that person liable to suspension under these Rules.

Deputy Commissioner of Police to send notice

5.—(1) The Deputy Commissioner of Police shall notify the holder of the driving licence by notice in writing of the date on which he intends to suspend his driving licence and shall require him to show cause within 14 days from the date of the notice as to why his licence should not be suspended.

(2) On the date specified in the notice, the Deputy Commissioner of Police shall, after taking into consideration the facts in mitigation, if any, which may be submitted by the holder of the driving licence concerned, make an order as the Deputy Commissioner of Police thinks fit.

(3) The Deputy Commissioner of Police shall, by notice in writing, inform any holder of a driving licence of the provisions of rule 4(1), where such holder of the driving licence has already been awarded a total of not less than 12 but not more than 24 demerit points or of the provisions of rule 4(2), if that rule applies to the holder of the driving licence and he has already been awarded a total of not less than 6 but not more than 12 demerit points.

Notice of suspension of driving licence

6.—(1) The Deputy Commissioner of Police shall, upon making an order to suspend the driving licence of a person, notify him in writing of the suspension of his driving

licence and shall require him to surrender the driving licence forthwith to him.

(2) Such a person shall not drive or obtain a provisional licence to drive a vehicle of any class as long as the order of suspension is in force.

THE SCHEDULE

Rule 3(1)

SCHEDULED OFFENCES

<i>Offences committed</i>	<i>Demerit points to be awarded</i>
(1) Exceeding speed limit for vehicle —	
(a) by 1 to 20 kilometres per hour	4
(b) by 21 to 30 kilometre per hour	6
(c) by 31 to 40 kilometres per hour	8
(d) by more than 40 kilometres per hour	12
[Section 63(1) of the Act]	
(2) Exceeding speed limit on a road —	
(a) by 1 to 20 kilometres per hour	4
(b) by 21 to 30 kilometres per hour	6
(c) by 31 to 40 kilometres per hour	8
(d) by more than 40 kilometres per hour	12
[Section 63(4) of the Act]	
(3) Carrying excess pillion or carrying pillion sitting not astride	3
[Section 73(1) of the Act]	
(4) Rider failing to wear or wear insecurely on his head a protective helmet	3
[Section 74(1) of the Act]	
(5) Disobeying traffic direction of police officer	3
[Section 120 (1) (a) of the Act]	