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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1961

ROAD TRAFFIC (INTERNATIONAL CIRCULATION) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 25, 34 and 140 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, the Acting Minister for Transport makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Road Traffic (International Circulation) (Amendment) Rules 2026 and come into operation on 1 April 2026.

Amendment of rule 2

2. In the Road Traffic (International Circulation) Rules (R 7) (called in these Rules the principal Rules), in rule 2(1), in the definition of “ASEAN member country” —

(a) in paragraph (e), before “Union”, insert “Republic of the”;
and

(b) in paragraph (h), replace “Vietnam” with “Viet Nam”.

Amendment of rule 20A

3. In the principal Rules, in rule 20A(2), after “for such period”, insert “and subject to such conditions”.

Amendment of rule 21

4. In the principal Rules, in rule 21 —

(a) renumber the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule; and

(b) after paragraph (1), insert —

“(2) In addition to paragraph (1), the Registrar or an authorised officer may —

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- (a) refuse to grant a vehicle entry permit in respect of a motor vehicle if it appears to the Registrar or authorised officer that —
 - (i) there had previously been a breach of any condition of any vehicle entry permit that was previously granted in respect of the motor vehicle; or
 - (ii) the driver of the motor vehicle had previously failed to comply with any of the rules under this Part; or
 - (b) cancel a vehicle entry permit that is already granted in respect of a motor vehicle if it appears to the Registrar or authorised officer that there has been a breach of any of the conditions under which the vehicle entry permit is granted, or the driver of the motor vehicle has failed to comply with any of the rules under this Part.”.

Amendment of rule 22F

5. In the principal Rules, in rule 22F —

(a) after paragraph (1), insert —

“(1A) In addition to paragraph (1), the Registrar may refuse to grant a permit in respect of a motor vehicle if it appears to the Registrar that —

- (a) there had previously been a breach of any condition of any permit that was previously granted in respect of the motor vehicle; or

(b) the driver of the motor vehicle had previously failed to comply with any of the rules under this Part.”; and

(b) after paragraph (2), insert —

“(3) Any fee that is paid under rule 22B(3)(c) in respect of a permit that is cancelled under paragraph (1) is not refundable, in whole or in part.

(4) Despite paragraph (3), the Registrar may, in his or her discretion, refund in whole or in part, any fee paid under rule 22B(3)(c).”.

Amendment of First Schedule

6. In the principal Rules, in the First Schedule, replace “Vietnam” with “Socialist Republic of Viet Nam”.

Saving and transitional provisions

7.—(1) Rule 21 of the principal Rules, as amended by rule 4, applies in respect of the cancellation of any vehicle entry permit, whether the vehicle entry permit was granted before, on or after 1 April 2026.

(2) Rule 22F of the principal Rules, as amended by rule 5, applies in respect of the cancellation of any ASEAN GV Permit or ASEAN PSV Permit, whether the permit was granted before, on or after 1 April 2026.

(3) In this rule —

“ASEAN GV Permit” means an ASEAN GV permit granted under Part IVA of the principal Rules;

“ASEAN PSV Permit” means an ASEAN PSV permit granted under Part IVA of the principal Rules;

“vehicle entry permit” has the meaning given by rule 2(1) of the principal Rules.

*[G.N. Nos. S 421/2003; S 673/2004; S 714/2004;
S 786/2004; S 64/2005; S 321/2005; S 453/2014;
S 47/2017; S 408/2017; S 37/2018; S 765/2018;
S 104/2019; S 672/2019; S 282/2020, S 627/2023;
S 679/2023]*

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