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**ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC
(MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING)
(AMENDMENT NO. 3) 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. 3) Rules 2012 and shall come into operation on 11th June 2012.

Amendment of rule 3A

2. Rule 3A of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended by deleting the words “12 months” in paragraph (a)(ii)(C) and substituting the words “one month”.

Amendment of rule 17

- 3.** Rule 17(2) of the principal Rules is amended —
- (a) by deleting the word “and” at the end of sub-paragraph (f);
and
 - (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (g) and substituting the word “; and”, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraph:
 - “(h) in the case of unregistered vehicles referred to in rule 34C, the identification mark shall conform to Diagrams 10 and 11 of that Schedule and shall be formed of the word “DISPLAY” against a brown background, unless otherwise required by the Registrar or the identification mark is one that is approved and affixed to a foreign vehicle at the time

the foreign vehicle is brought into Singapore for the purposes of rule 34C.”.

New rule 34C

4. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 34B, the following rule:

“Keeping of unregistered vehicles in approved private areas and compounds

34C.—(1) Any person who wishes to keep an unregistered vehicle in any private area or compound may apply to the Registrar for approval to do so.

(2) The Registrar may, in his discretion and subject to such terms and conditions as he thinks fit to impose, grant his approval to the applicant to keep the unregistered vehicle for a period not exceeding 3 years in the private area or compound approved by the Registrar.

(3) The Registrar may, from time to time upon an application being made to him and subject to such terms and conditions as he thinks fit to impose, extend the period for which any approval granted by him under paragraph (2) shall be valid, except that each such extension shall be for a period not exceeding 3 years.

(4) Unless the Registrar allows otherwise, no application under paragraph (3) in respect of any unregistered vehicle shall be accepted if it is received by the Registrar less than 7 days before the period to be extended expires.

(5) Any person who has been granted approval under this rule to keep an unregistered vehicle in a private area or compound approved by the Registrar —

- (a) shall at all times keep the unregistered vehicle within that private area or compound; and
- (b) shall not remove the unregistered vehicle to any other place unless —
 - (i) he has applied for and obtained the special approval of the Registrar to so remove the unregistered vehicle; and
 - (ii) the place to which he intends to remove the unregistered vehicle is approved by the Registrar.

(6) Subject to paragraph (7), where the identification mark to be affixed to an unregistered vehicle under rule 17(2)(h) is not affixed to the vehicle in the required manner or, being so affixed, is removed, defaced, altered, obscured or tampered with —

(a) the person to whom approval for the keeping of the vehicle has been granted under this rule; and

(b) any other person in possession of the vehicle,

shall both be guilty of an offence.

(7) The Registrar may waive the requirements under rule 17(2)(h) if the person granted approval to keep the unregistered vehicle under this rule has, with the permission of the Registrar, immobilised the vehicle by —

(a) removing the engine of the vehicle;

(b) bolting the chassis of the vehicle to the ground; or

(c) such other method as the Registrar may permit, subject to such terms and conditions as the Registrar thinks fit to impose.

(8) Subject to paragraph (9), any approval granted to any person under this rule for the keeping of an unregistered vehicle shall not be transferable and shall be revoked —

(a) where the person is an individual, upon the demise of that person; or

(b) where the person is a company or corporation, upon the dissolution of that company or corporation.

(9) The Registrar may, upon an application by the parent, sibling, spouse or child, or the executor or administrator of the estate, of any deceased person referred to in paragraph (8)(a) and subject to such terms and conditions as the Registrar thinks fit to impose, grant approval to such parent, sibling, spouse, child, executor or administrator to continue to keep the relevant unregistered vehicle in —

(a) the private area or compound at which the deceased person had, with the approval of the Registrar under paragraph (2), been keeping that unregistered vehicle before his death; or

(b) any other place approved by the Registrar.

(10) An application under paragraph (1), (3), (5)(b) or (9) shall —

- (a) be made in such form or manner, and be supported by such particulars or documents, as the Registrar may require; and
- (b) be accompanied by the following fee:
 - (i) in the case of an application for approval under paragraph (1), (3) or (9) —
 - (A) \$250 for an approval that is valid for a period not exceeding one year; or
 - (B) \$500 for an approval that is valid for a period exceeding one year but not exceeding 3 years; and
 - (ii) in the case of an application under paragraph (5)(b) — \$100.

(11) The Registrar may revoke any approval granted by him under paragraph (2), (3), (5)(b) or (9) if the person to whom the approval was granted —

- (a) has breached any term or condition subject to which the approval was granted;
- (b) has been found to have furnished any false or misleading particulars or document when applying for the approval; or
- (c) has contravened any provision of the Act.

(12) Where any approval granted to a person by the Registrar under paragraph (2), (3), (5)(b) or (9) has expired or been revoked by the Registrar, that person or any person who is in possession of the relevant unregistered vehicle shall, within such period as the Registrar may require or allow after the expiry or the revocation of the approval —

- (a) scrap or export the unregistered vehicle; and
- (b) produce proof of such scrapping or export to the satisfaction of the Registrar.

(13) Where any person to whom any approval has been granted under paragraph (2), (3), (5)(b) or (9) has died or, in the case of a company or corporation, has been dissolved, the personal representative of the estate of the deceased individual or the

liquidator or official receiver of the dissolved company or corporation (as the case may be) shall, within such period as the Registrar may require or allow after the expiry or the revocation of the approval —

- (a) scrap or export the relevant unregistered vehicle; and
- (b) produce proof of such scrapping or export to the satisfaction of the Registrar.

(14) The Registrar may, in his discretion and subject to such terms and conditions as he thinks fit to impose, waive in whole or in part any fee payable under paragraph (10)(b).

(15) The Registrar may, in his discretion, require the inspection, by any person authorised by him, of —

- (a) any unregistered vehicle in respect of which approval under this rule is being applied for or has been granted;
- (b) the private area or compound in which the unregistered vehicle is being kept or proposed to be kept; or
- (c) the sealed identification mark affixed on the vehicle.

(16) Any person who furnishes any particulars to the Registrar in his application under this rule which to his knowledge is false or in any material respect misleading shall be guilty of an offence.”.

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