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THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC
LAWS, 1954 TO 1959.

(LAWS 61 OF 1954, 35 OF 1957 AND 25 OF 1959.)

REGULATIONS MADE UNDER SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 3.

In exercise of the powers vested in him by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Laws, 1954 to 1959, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to make the following Regulations :—

I. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles Regulations, 1959. Short title
61 of 1954
35 of 1957
25 of 1959.

PART I.—PRELIMINARY.

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires :— Interpre-
tation.

“dealer” means a person who imports or keeps for sale motor vehicles, but a dealer ceases to be such in respect of any motor vehicle, which is used by him or with his authority otherwise than for demonstration purposes ;

“Law” means the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Laws, 1954 to 1959 ;

“motor omnibus” means a public service motor vehicle having seating accommodation for more than six passengers and further includes a vehicle licensed for use both as a motor omnibus and a motor lorry ;

“self-drive motor vehicle” means a public service motor vehicle hired out to the driver by the hirer or his agent ;

“visitor” means a person who enters Cyprus for a *bona fide* non-immigration purposes, such as touring, recreation, health, family reasons, study or business, and whose stay in Cyprus is, in the opinion of the Registrar, of a temporary nature but shall not include any person who is employed in Cyprus or who enters Cyprus to take up employment for a period exceeding six months or who normally resides in Cyprus.

PART II.—REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

3. The Governor may appoint a public officer to be Registrar of motor vehicles (in these Regulations called “the Registrar”) for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of these Regulations with respect to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles and licensing of drivers. Appoint-
ment of
Registrar.

4. The Registrar may appoint Deputy Registrars for carrying out and exercising all such duties and powers under these Regulations as may be assigned to him by the Registrar and also appoint such other officers as may be necessary in any district for carrying out and exercising therein, on his behalf, any duties or powers under these Regulations as may be assigned to them by the Registrar. Appoint-
ment of
Deputy
Registrars.

5. The Registrar shall cause to be kept in such form as he may direct— Registers to
be kept.

(a) a general register (hereinafter called “the register”), for the registration of motor vehicles ;

(b) a demonstration register (hereinafter called “the demonstration register”), for the registration of dealers in motor vehicles for demonstration purpose ;

- (c) a visitors' register (hereinafter called "the visitors register"), for the registration of motor vehicles imported by visitors as in these Regulations provided ;
- (d) a register of driving licences in Cyprus and renewal cards of such licences ;
- (e) a register of international driving licences issued in Cyprus ;
- (f) a register of international certificates and of international permits issued in Cyprus.

Registration of motor vehicles.

6. No person shall use or drive a motor vehicle or shall suffer or permit a motor vehicle to be used or driven unless such vehicle is registered under the provisions of these Regulations :

Provided that an unregistered motor vehicle may be driven on a road for the purpose of its being registered or inspected.

Application for registration.

7. The owner of an unregistered motor vehicle who desires to register it shall lodge with the Registrar an application in the Form A of the First Schedule hereto containing the particulars therein set out.

Registration.

8.—(1) The Registrar before registering any motor vehicle shall verify all the particulars contained in the application and may, if he deems it necessary, send any such vehicle to be examined by an examiner for the purpose of ensuring that it is of such construction and in such condition as may be necessary for the purpose for which it is sought to be registered.

(2) The Registrar, if satisfied of the road-worthiness of the motor vehicle and that it complies in all respects with every condition applicable to its particular type or class and that its circulation is not otherwise restricted nor prohibited under the provisions of any Law or public instrument in force for the time being and on payment of the fee provided under Part I of the Schedule to the Law, shall assign an identification mark to such vehicle and register it by entering in the register the particulars of such vehicle.

(3) The identification mark mentioned in paragraph (2) of this regulation shall conform as to shape, lettering, numbering and otherwise with the provisions set out in the Second Schedule hereto :

Provided that the identification mark shall bear, in addition to any other letters before any other letter or figure thereon—

- (a) the letter "T" in the case of a public service motor vehicle, registered as such ;
- (b) the letter "Z" in the case of a self-drive motor vehicle registered as such.

(4) If a motor vehicle does not bear on it an identification mark as provided by these Regulations, this fact shall be regarded as *prima facie* evidence that the vehicle has not been registered and any police officer may detain such vehicle until enquiries have been made.

Certificate of Registration.

9. A certificate of registration, as in the Form B of the First Schedule hereto, shall be given to the owner of the motor vehicle and such certificate of registration shall be regarded as *prima facie* evidence that the motor vehicle to which it refers has been registered.

Cancellation of Registration.

10.—(1) The registration of a motor vehicle shall remain valid so long as the vehicle is kept in use and shall only be cancelled if the owner thereof by an application in writing requests the Registrar to cancel its registration or if the Registrar is satisfied that the vehicle has been destroyed or rendered

permanently unserviceable or permanently removed from Cyprus or it has not been relicensed for three years.

(2) The owner of a motor vehicle which has been destroyed or rendered permanently unserviceable or permanently removed from Cyprus or has not been relicensed for three years shall within seven days from the occurrence of such event give notice in writing to the Registrar.

11. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Regulations the Registrar may refuse to register, or may cancel the registration of, any motor vehicle which, in his opinion, so nearly resembles the colour and general appearance of a military or police vehicle as to be likely to be mistaken for any such military or police vehicle.

Vehicles likely to be mistaken for military or police vehicles.

12.—(1) The Registrar may, on the application of any person who satisfies him that he is a *bona fide* dealer in motor vehicles issue to such person a dealer's licence and assign to him such number of identification marks as to the Registrar may seem fit, having regard to the extent of the business of such person as a dealer in motor vehicles.

Demonstration vehicles of dealers.

(2) A dealer's licence shall be valid for a period of six months and shall authorise the holder to use on any road any type of motor vehicle with which he deals for demonstration to prospective purchasers.

(3) Upon the assignment to him of any identification mark, the dealer shall procure, at his expense the necessary plate on which the allotted mark must appear. Every such plate shall be of a size approved by the Registrar; it shall have a white background, the lettering and numbers thereon being coloured red and shall, whilst a motor vehicle is used on any road for demonstration purposes in pursuance of a dealer's licence, be attached to, and exhibited on, such motor vehicle in such manner and in such place as the Registrar may direct.

(4) With the exception of the driver and the person or persons testing the motor vehicle with a view to purchase, no other person or any goods shall be carried on any motor vehicle used for demonstration purposes in pursuance of this regulation.

(5) A dealer's licence may be cancelled at any time at the absolute discretion of the Registrar, if satisfied that the holder has not observed the provisions of this regulation and thereafter, he may refuse to issue to the previous holder any dealer's licence for any period not exceeding twelve months:

Provided that any person aggrieved by such cancellation or refusal may within fifteen days of such cancellation, appeal to the Governor in Council, whose decision thereon shall be final and conclusive.

13. Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained the Registrar may, on the application of a visitor, who imports a motor vehicle for his own use, register, without any charge, such motor vehicle in the visitors' register, if satisfied that the motor vehicle is furnished with a valid international certificate granted under an international convention with respect to the international circulation of motor vehicle to which Cyprus may have adhered and complies in all other respects with the requirements of such convention.

Visitors' imported vehicles.

14.—(1) Where the person entitled to the possession of a motor vehicle is not the absolute owner thereof, but is registered in the register, any person claiming to be the absolute owner thereof (hereinafter called "the claimant") may apply to the Registrar to enter his name in the register as the absolute owner in addition to the name of the registered owner.

Position of registered owner who is not absolute owner

(2) On receipt of any such application the Registrar shall cause the registered owner to be informed by registered post and shall call on him

to show cause, within fourteen days, why the name of the claimant should not be so entered in the register.

(3) If the registered owner agrees that the name of the claimant should be so entered in the register or if he fails to show cause, within the aforesaid period, why the name of the claimant should not be so entered, the Registrar shall enter the name of the claimant in the register accordingly and he shall be deemed to be the absolute owner for the purposes of these Regulations.

(4) If the registered owner proceeds to show cause the Registrar shall enquire into the circumstances and shall make such order thereon as he may think fit and any person whose name is, as the result of the enquiry entered in the register by the Registrar as the absolute owner of the motor vehicle shall be deemed to be the absolute owner for the purposes of these Regulations.

(5) The absolute owner of a motor vehicle whose name has been entered in the register under the provisions of these Regulations, shall, on ceasing to be the absolute owner thereof, require the Registrar to remove his name from the register, and the Registrar shall comply with such requisition on receiving the same.

(6) The Registrar may, if satisfied that the absolute owner of a motor vehicle has ceased to be the absolute owner thereof remove the name of such absolute owner on being required to do so by the registered owner.

Change of
ownership.

15.—(1) On the change of ownership of a motor vehicle otherwise than by death—

- (a) the motor vehicle shall not be used for more than seven days after such change of ownership unless the new owner is registered as the owner thereof ;
- (b) the registered owner shall within seven days inform the Registrar in writing of the name and address of the new owner, and of the date of the change of ownership of the motor vehicle ;
- (c) the registered owner shall within seven days deliver his certificate of registration to the Registrar.

(2) Application for registration of a new owner may be made before the actual transfer of the motor vehicle but the registration of a new owner shall not be effective until the old certificate has been surrendered to the Registrar.

(3) On the death of the registered owner of a motor vehicle the person into whose custody the motor vehicle shall come shall within seven days of its coming into his custody give notice of the fact to the Registrar, who shall give such instructions as he may think fit as to the use of the motor vehicle pending the registration of the new owner. Any person to whom permission to use the motor vehicle pending such registration is given by the Registrar shall for the purposes of these Regulations be deemed to be the owner during the period for which such permission is given.

(4) On the registration of a new owner, the Registrar shall make the necessary alterations to the certificate of registration, and shall deliver the altered certificate to the new registered owner or, if more convenient, a new certificate of registration may be issued.

Owner
leaving
Cyprus
temporarily.

16.—(1) If the owner of a motor vehicle leaves Cyprus for a period exceeding six months, the motor vehicle shall not be used from the expiration of that period until his return to Cyprus, unless some other person is registered as the owner.

(2) The owner may nominate a person to be registered as the owner during his absence, and the owner may be re-registered on his return.

17.—(1) The identification marks shall be fixed and remain fixed on the motor vehicle in accordance with these Regulations and shall at all times be kept unobscured and easily distinguishable.

Requirements regarding identification marks.

(2) No other figures or letters shall be placed near to the identification marks in such a manner as to be liable to render it more difficult to read or distinguish the identification marks of the vehicle when in motion.

(3) In this regulation the expression "identification marks" has the same meaning as in regulation 8.

PART III.—LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

18. Subject to the provisions of regulation 26 (3) no person shall use or drive or suffer or permit a motor vehicle to be used or driven for which a motor vehicle licence is not in force, or use or suffer or permit to be used a motor vehicle for a purpose not authorised by, or in contravention of any condition of, the motor vehicle licence in force for the use thereof :

Motor vehicles to be licensed.

Provided that any motor vehicle registered in the demonstration register may be used or driven on any road for any demonstration purpose by the person duly registered thereof or duly authorised by him in this respect.

19.—(1) A motor vehicle licence may be issued by the Registrar which shall specify the type or class of the motor vehicle for which it is issued and the purpose for which such motor vehicle is to be used and particulars thereof shall be entered in the register.

Issue of licences for motor vehicles.

(2) Applications for the issue of a motor vehicle licence shall be made as in Form C of the First Schedule hereto.

(3) The Registrar shall not issue a motor vehicle licence unless the motor vehicle has been duly registered and he is satisfied that the motor vehicle does not differ in any respect from the particulars in the register.

(4) No motor vehicle licence shall be issued unless the motor vehicle conforms in all respects to the conditions laid down under these Regulations as to construction and equipment.

(5) Licences for registered motor vehicles shall be in the Form D of the First Schedule hereto.

(6) No person shall use, or allow or suffer to be used, a motor vehicle except as a motor vehicle of the type or class and for the purpose for which such vehicle is licensed under this regulation :

Provided that where a motor vehicle is licensed for use as both a motor omnibus and a motor lorry such motor vehicle may be used for both such purposes.

(7) For the purpose of this regulation, "type or class of the motor vehicle" means—

- (i) a motor omnibus ;
- (ii) a public service motor vehicle of not more than six passenger seats ;
- (iii) a motor lorry ;
- (iv) a private motor vehicle ;
- (v) a motor bicycle (with or without side car) ;
- (vi) a motor tricycle ;
- (vii) an auticycle ;
- (viii) a road roller ;
- (ix) a tractor ;
- (x) a self-drive motor vehicle ;
- (xi) any other type of motor vehicle.

Refusal or
cancellation
of motor
vehicle
licences.

20. The Registrar shall refuse to issue a motor vehicle licence for any motor vehicle in respect of which a certificate of insurance under any law providing for the compulsory insurance against third party risks in force for the time being is not produced to him and he may refuse the issue of, or cancel or refuse the renewal of, a motor vehicle licence, if he finds the motor vehicle to be so constructed or in such a condition as to be a source of danger to any person including the driver, travelling therein or to other users of the road or to be injurious to the roads themselves or which contravenes any provisions of these Regulations :

Provided that the owner of a motor vehicle aggrieved by such refusal or cancellation may within fifteen days appeal to the Governor in Council whose decision thereon shall be final and conclusive.

Duration of
motor
vehicle
licences.

21.—(1) Where an annual licence fee is paid for a motor vehicle licence under Part I of the Schedule to the Law such licence shall expire on the 31st December next following the date of issue.

(2) Where a half-yearly licence fee is paid for a motor vehicle licence under Part I of the Schedule to the Law such licence shall expire on the 30th June or 31st December, as the case may be, next following the date of issue.

(3) Where a quarterly licence fee is paid for a motor vehicle licence under Part I of the Schedule to the Law such licence shall expire on the 31st March, 30th June, 30th September or 31st December, as the case may be, next following the date of issue.

Surrender
of motor
vehicle
licences.

22.—(1) The holder of a motor vehicle licence shall on surrendering it for cancellation to the licensing officer who issued the licence, be entitled to a refund of one-twelfth part of the fee for a yearly licence, one-sixth part of the fee for a half-yearly licence or one-third part of the fee for a quarterly licence in respect of each complete calendar month of the period still to run :

Provided that the sum of two hundred and fifty mils shall be deducted from the total amount so computed and shall not be refunded.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this regulation no fee shall be refunded on the cancellation of a motor vehicle licence under these Regulations.

Duplicate
licences.

23. If a motor vehicle licence is lost, defaced, mutilated or rendered illegible, the licensing officer if satisfied to this effect may issue a duplicate licence on payment of the fee specified in Part II of the Schedule to the Law :

Provided that, if any such licence be subsequently found, the holder of the duplicate shall forthwith deliver up to the licensing officer either his licence so found or the duplicate and no person shall knowingly retain, or have in his possession both an original and a duplicate licence.

Display and
production
of motor
vehicle
licence.

24.—(1) Every owner or person in charge of a motor vehicle shall at all times when such vehicle is being used on a road keep its motor vehicle licence displayed in manner hereinafter appearing, and shall, on demand, permit any police officer, licensing officer or person authorised in that behalf by the Registrar to examine such licence.

(2) Motor vehicle licences shall be displayed in a weatherproof holder with a transparent cover and carried on the motor vehicle—

(a) in the case of motor cycles, whether with a carriage or not, in a conspicuous position on the near side of the cycle not more than two feet six inches from the front of the cycle ;

(b) in the case of a motor vehicle fitted with a front glass wind-screen extending across the vehicle to the near side, the licence shall be carried facing forwards on the near lower corner of the glass of such

wind-screen and so as to be clearly visible from in front at all times by daylight whether such vehicle is moving or stationary :

Provided that, if the licence is carried actually behind the glass of the wind-screen and otherwise complies with this regulation it shall not be necessary to carry it in weatherproof holder ;

(c) in the case of any other motor vehicle in such position as the Registrar may direct in writing.

(3) The motor vehicle licence shall be placed and carried except when placed on or adjacent to the wind-screen as hereinbefore provided, so as to be clearly visible at all times by daylight to a person standing at the near side of the motor vehicle, whether such vehicle is moving or stationary.

25. Where the holder of a motor vehicle licence desires to use the motor vehicle for a purpose not authorised by the licence or where a motor vehicle or its chassis or body is altered so that a higher fee is payable, the licence shall become void and the holder shall apply for a new licence. In such case a new licence shall not be issued until the old licence has been surrendered and where a higher fee is payable there shall be deducted from the fee of the new licence a sum equal to the fee which would have been payable on the old licence, if issued on the same day as the new licence, provided that the minimum fee on the new licence shall be two hundred and fifty mils. Where a new licence is issued in the circumstances referred to in this regulation the licensing officer shall duly amend the register and issue a new certificate of registration.

Alteration of conditions on which motor vehicle licences is issued.

26.—(1) Where a person in Cyprus desires to drive a motor vehicle in any other country which shall have adhered to any international convention with respect to the international circulation of motor vehicles to which Cyprus may have adhered, the motor vehicle must comply with the requirements of the said convention, and for that purpose the person in question shall apply to the Registrar on such form as may be required under the convention for an international certificate or permit in respect of such motor vehicle.

International certificates.

(2) The Registrar may issue international certificates for motor vehicles in accordance with any international convention as aforesaid, and for such purpose to appoint an examiner to inspect and examine the motor vehicle.

(3) A visitor, who imports for his own use a motor vehicle in respect of which an international certificate for a motor vehicle has been issued elsewhere than in Cyprus under any international convention as aforesaid, shall, subject to the provisions of Regulation 13, be exempted from any requirement to hold a licence in Cyprus in respect of such motor vehicle while he is a visitor.

PART IV.—LICENSING OF DRIVERS.

27.—(1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 46 no person shall drive a motor vehicle on a road unless he is the holder of a licence to drive and no person shall employ, suffer or permit any person to drive a motor vehicle on a road unless the person so employed, suffered or permitted is the holder of a licence to drive.

Necessity to hold licence to drive.

(2) Subject to the provisions of regulations 28, 29 and 31 the Registrar, except in the case of an applicant who is disqualified as hereinafter provided, shall on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law grant a driving licence to any person who applies for it in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

(3) Any person who desires to obtain the grant of a driving licence shall apply to the Registrar and furnish all relevant particulars and make any relevant declaration specified in the form set out in Form E of the First Schedule to these Regulations.

(4) Applications for the grant of a licence may be received and dealt with at any time within two months before the date on which the grant of the licence is to take effect.

(5) Where under the provisions of regulation 35 the applicant is subject to any restriction with respect to the driving of any class or description of motor vehicle the extent of the restriction shall be specified in the licence by the Registrar.

No driving licence to be granted unless competent to drive.

28.—(1) A driving licence shall not be granted to any applicant unless he satisfies the Registrar that he has passed the prescribed test of competency to drive :

Provided that the Registrar may dispense with such test of competency, to drive if he is satisfied that the applicant passed a test of competency outside Cyprus in a country where, in his opinion, tests of competency are not of a lower standard than in Cyprus.

(2) Any person who desires to submit himself to a test of competency to drive shall apply to the Registrar and pay the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law.

Declaration as to disabilities.

29.—(1) On an application for the grant of a driving licence the applicant shall make a declaration in such form as the Registrar may require as to whether or not he is suffering from any such disease or physical disability as may be specified in the form, or any other disease or physical disability which would be likely to cause the driving by him of a motor vehicle, being a vehicle of such class or description as he would be authorised by the driving licence to drive, to be a source of danger to the public.

(2) If from the declaration it appears or if on enquiry into other information the Registrar is satisfied that the applicant is suffering from any such disease or disability as aforesaid he shall refuse to grant the driving licence :

Provided that—

(a) a driving licence limited to driving an invalid carriage may be granted to the applicant if the Registrar is satisfied that the applicant is fit to drive such a carriage ;

(b) the applicant may, except in the case of the diseases referred to in paragraph (4) of this regulation, on payment of the fee prescribed for a driving test in Part II of the Schedule to the Law, claim to be subjected to a test as to his fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle of any such class or description as he would be authorised by the driving licence to drive, and if he passes such test and is not otherwise disqualified, the driving licence shall not be refused by reason only of the provisions of paragraph (2) of this regulation, so however that if the test proves his fitness to drive vehicles of a particular construction or design only, the driving licence shall be limited to the driving of such vehicles.

(3) If, on the application for the grant of a licence the applicant makes a declaration that on the occasion of a previous application by him a driving licence was granted to him after passing such a test as aforesaid a further test shall not be required, unless from the declaration as to physical fitness made by him for the purpose of his application, or from information received by the Registrar, it appears that the disease or physical disability from which the applicant is suffering has become more acute, or that the applicant is suffering from such disease or disability not disclosed on the previous occasion or contracted since that occasion.

(4) The diseases and disabilities in the case of which the applicant shall not be entitled to claim to be subjected to a test as to his fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle under proviso (b) to paragraph (2) of this regulation

or in the case of which the Registrar is proposing to cancel, suspend or to refuse the grant of a driving licence under paragraph (1) of regulation 31 shall not be entitled to claim to be subjected to a test as to his fitness or ability to drive a motor vehicle shall be the following :—

Epilepsy ;

Any form of mental disorder or mental defect as a result of which the applicant is a mental patient for the purposes of the Mental Patients Law ; Cap. 120.

Liability to sudden attack of disabling giddiness or fainting ;

Inability to read at a distance of 25 yards in good daylight (with the aid of glasses, if wore) a series of 6 letters and figures in white on a black ground of the same size and arrangement as those prescribed for the identification mark of a motor vehicle.

30.—(1) For the purpose of enabling the applicant for the grant of a driving licence to learn to drive a motor vehicle with a view to passing a test under regulation 36 the Registrar may if so requested by the applicant and on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law grant him a learner's licence to be in force for a period of 3 months, which licence shall be in Form F in the First Schedule to these Regulations and be granted subject to the conditions contained in paragraph (4) of this regulation Learner's licences.

(2) Any person who desires to obtain the grant of a learner's licence shall apply to the Registrar and shall furnish all relevant particulars and make any relevant declaration specified in the form set out in Form E of the First Schedule hereto.

(3) A learner's licence shall be granted only subject to the condition that until the holder thereof has passed the appropriate test—

(a) he shall except in the case of a vehicle which is not constructed or adapted to carry more than one person or when he is undergoing a test use it only when under the supervision of a person who is sitting beside him in the vehicle with him and holds a licence, not being a learner's licence, authorising him to drive a vehicle of the same class as the vehicle being driven by the holder of the learner's licence :

Provided that for the purpose of this sub-paragraph a motor bicycle shall not be deemed to be constructed or adapted to carry more than one person unless it has a side-car constructed for the carriage of a passenger attached ;

(b) he shall not, in the case of a motor bicycle (other than a pedal cycle of the tandem type to which additional means of propulsion by mechanical power are attached) carry a passenger who is not himself the holder of a driving licence, not being a learner's licence, authorising him to drive a motor bicycle ;

(c) the vehicle while being driven by him shall clearly display in a conspicuous position on the front and on the back of the vehicle a distinguishing mark in the form set out in the Third Schedule to these Regulations.

(4) Paragraph 3 (a) of this regulation shall not apply in the case of a learner's licence when the holder of that licence is driving a motor vehicle, being a vehicle propelled by electric power, constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods or burden of any description, not constructed or adapted to carry more than one person and the unladen weight of which does not exceed 16 cwt.

Cancellation, suspension, etc., of driving licences.

31.—(1) The Registrar may in his discretion—

- (a) by order under his hand cancel or suspend any driving licence, learner's licence or temporary licence ; or
- (b) refuse to grant any driving licence, learner's licence or temporary licence, if the person applying thereof has been convicted in any Court (which for the purposes of this regulation shall include a Court Martial or any disciplinary proceeding applicable to Her Majesty's Naval, Military or Air Forces or the Police Force) of any offence in connexion with the driving of a motor vehicle in circumstances in which, in the opinion of the Registrar, disclose that he is unfit to drive a motor vehicle or if the Registrar is satisfied that any licence previously obtained by such person was obtained by false representations or that the granting of such licence would constitute a danger to public safety :

Provided that the Registrar shall inform the holder of any such licence the substance of what is alleged against him in writing and shall consider any such explanations or representations made by him in connexion with such proposed cancellation, suspension or refusal to grant within seven days thereafter :

Provided further that if the Registrar informs the holder that it is proposed to cancel or suspend or refuse to grant a licence on the ground that the holder thereof is suffering from a disease or physical disability likely to cause the driving by him of a motor vehicle, being a vehicle of any such class or description as he is authorised by the licence to drive, to be a source of danger to the public the licence holder may, except in the case of such diseases and disabilities as are prescribed in paragraph (4) of regulation 29 claim to be subjected to a test as to his fitness to drive a motor vehicle and if he passes such test his licence shall not be cancelled or suspended and the Registrar shall not refuse to grant the licence on such grounds.

(2) Upon the cancellation or suspension of any licence under this regulation the holder thereof shall forthwith deliver such licence to the Registrar and no fee paid in respect of such licence shall be refunded.

(3) If any person fails to deliver his licence as required by paragraph (2) of this regulation any police officer may require him to produce the same and such police officer may, on production, seize the same and deliver it to the Registrar.

(4) Where a licence has been cancelled, suspended or refused to be granted on grounds other than that the holder is suffering from a disease or physical disability likely to cause the driving by him of a motor vehicle to be a source of danger to the public any person aggrieved by such cancellation, suspension or refusal to grant may within 14 days of the notification to him of the decision of the Registrar appeal to the President of the District Court of the district where he resides whose decision shall be final.

Age of driver.

32.—(1) A person under eighteen years of age shall not drive a motor vehicle on a road.

(2) A person under twenty-one years of age shall not drive a motor omnibus or a motor lorry.

Duration of driving licences.

33. Subject to the provisions of these Regulations a driving licence shall unless previously cancelled, suspended or surrendered remain in force for a period of twelve months from the date on which it is granted.

34.—(1) A driving licence shall specify whether the driving licence authorises the holder to drive motor vehicles of all classes or descriptions or of certain classes or descriptions only, and in the latter case—

Classes of motor vehicles.

- (a) the driving licence shall specify the classes or descriptions of vehicles which it authorises the holder to drive; and
- (b) the holder shall be deemed not to be the holder of a driving licence to drive motor vehicles of any other class or description but the licence may, by endorsement by the Registrar be extended to any other class of motor vehicle.

(2) For the purposes of this Part of the Regulations motor vehicles are classified as follows, namely :—

- (a) motor omnibus ;
- (b) motor lorry ;
- (c) private motor vehicle of over six seats ;
- (d) motor vehicle of not more than six passenger seats ;
- (e) tractor ;
- (f) road roller ;
- (g) motor bicycle (with or without side car) ;
- (h) motor tricycle ;
- (i) autocycle ;
- (j) motor vehicles other than those specified in classes (a) to (i) above, inclusive.

35.—(1) Where the applicant for a driving licence passes a test on a vehicle of class (a) he shall be deemed for the purpose of these Regulations to be competent to drive vehicles of classes (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) :

Classes of driving licences.

Provided that no applicant may be tested on a vehicle of class (a) unless—

- (i) he has held a driving licence for vehicles of classes (b), (c) or (d) for not less than one year ; and
- (ii) he is not prohibited by age under regulation 32 from driving that class of vehicle.

(2) Where the applicant for a driving licence passes a test on a vehicle of class (b) he shall be deemed for the purposes of these Regulations to be competent to drive vehicles of classes (b), (c), (d) and (e).

(3) Where an applicant for a driving licence passes a test on a vehicle of group (c) he shall be deemed for the purpose of these Regulations to be competent to drive vehicles of classes (c), (d) and (e).

(4) Where an applicant for a driving licence passes a test on a vehicle of group (g) he shall be deemed for the purpose of these Regulations to be competent to drive vehicles of classes (g), (h) and (i).

(5) Except as provided in paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4) of this regulation an applicant for a driving licence shall be deemed to be competent to drive only vehicles of the class corresponding to the class of vehicle on which he has passed a test.

36.—(1) Driving tests shall be conducted by examiners appointed by the Registrar.

Driving tests.

(2) The nature of the driving test shall be subject to the general directions of the Registrar, but the applicant shall be required to satisfy the examiner that—

- (a) he is conversant with the rules of the road as contained in any Law relating to motor vehicles and road traffic for the time being in force ; and

(b) generally, he is competent to drive, without danger to and with due consideration for other users of the road a vehicle of the same class or description as that on which he is tested.

Certificates of competence.

37.—(1) Any person passing the test shall be furnished with a certificate in Form G of the First Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) The applicant for a licence on receipt of the certificate referred to in paragraph (1) of this regulation shall deliver the certificate forthwith to the Registrar for retention by him.

(3) The Registrar shall preserve the certificate with other records in respect of the issue of licences required to be kept in accordance with regulation 48 of these Regulations.

Statement of failure.

38. Any person failing to pass the test shall be furnished with a statement in the form set out in Form H of the First Schedule.

Ineligibility to apply for test.

39. The period during which a person who has submitted himself for a test and failed to pass that test shall be ineligible to submit himself to another test with a vehicle of the same class shall be one month.

Provision of motor vehicles for test.

40. A person subjected to a test shall provide at his own expense a motor vehicle in proper condition.

Form of licence.

41. Every driving licence, and every learner's licence issued shall be in the form of a book containing—

(a) particulars in the form specified in Form F or Form I of the First Schedule to these Regulations, as the case may require.

(b) a photograph of the holder thereof which photograph shall be impressed with the stamp of the Registrar.

(c) not less than four pages reserved for endorsements :

Provided that where the applicant for a driving licence is already the holder of such a book issued under any regulations revoked by these Regulations the Registrar shall, in the case of an applicant for a learner's licence who is already the holder of a driving licence other than a learner's licence, and in any other case may, instead of issuing a new book, affix in the book so held a page containing the particulars specified in Form F, or Form I of the First Schedule to these Regulations as may be appropriate.

Signature on driving licence.

42. Every person to whom a driving licence or a learner's licence is granted shall forthwith sign it in ink with his usual signature.

Temporary licences.

43.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained, it shall be lawful for the Registrar, on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law, to grant a temporary driving licence, as in Form J of the First Schedule hereto, valid for a single period not exceeding six months, and not renewable, to any applicant for the same, with or without a driving test, when it is shown to his satisfaction that the applicant, not being a holder of a valid international driving licence, is a *bona fide* visitor to Cyprus.

(2) Such temporary licence may be granted at any port of entry by any such person as may be authorised in that behalf by the Registrar.

Replacement of driving licences.

44.—(1) If the holder of a driving licence or temporary driving licence satisfies the Registrar that his licence has been lost or stolen and such loss or such theft has been reported at a police station or has become so defaced that the material particulars and endorsements, if any, are illegible the Registrar shall on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law issue to him a duplicate licence, and the duplicate so issued shall have the same effect as the original.

(2) Should any photograph on any driving licence become defaced in such a way as to impair identification therewith of the holder thereof the Registrar shall require the holder to supply a further copy of such photograph of himself, and shall thereupon issue a duplicate driving licence in accordance with these Regulations on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law.

(3) Should any photograph on any driving licence cease to resemble the holder in such a way as to impair the identification therewith of the holder thereof the Registrar may require the holder to supply two copies of a more recent photograph which shall render identification therewith of the holder easily possible and shall issue a duplicate licence in accordance with these Regulations on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law.

(4) If at any time after the issue of a duplicate licence, granted to a licence to replace a licence reported lost or stolen, and during the currency of such duplicate licence the original licence shall be found the person to whom the original licence was issued shall if it is not in his possession, take all reasonable steps to obtain possession of it and shall return it as soon as possible to the Registrar.

45.—(1) Where a person in Cyprus desires to drive a motor vehicle in any other country which shall have adhered to any international convention with respect to the international circulation of motor vehicles to which Cyprus may have adhered, the driver must comply with the requirements of the aforesaid convention, and for that purpose the person in question shall apply to the Registrar on such form as may be required under the convention for an international driving licence for the driver.

Issue of international driving licence.

(2) The Registrar may on payment of the fee prescribed in Part II of the Schedule to the Law issue international driving licences in accordance with any international convention as aforesaid, and for such purpose he may appoint some person to test the driving ability of the driver.

(3) Where an application is made for an international driving licence the applicant shall, in addition to such other particulars as may be required by the Registrar, satisfy the Registrar that he holds a valid driving licence issued in Cyprus and that he is resident in Cyprus.

(4) International driving licences shall remain in effect for twelve months from the date of issue, unless in the meantime the holder becomes disqualified from holding a licence by an order of the Court.

46. A visitor who is the holder of an international driving licence issued elsewhere than in Cyprus and in accordance with the provisions of any international convention as in regulation 45 provided shall be exempted from any requirement to hold a driving licence under these Regulations to drive in Cyprus during such time that he is a visitor and while the international driving licence remains in force:

International driving licences issued elsewhere.

Provided that such a visitor shall only be entitled to drive in Cyprus a motor vehicle of the class for which he holds an authorization to drive in the country in which his international driving licence was issued.

47.—(1) Any person driving a motor vehicle on a road shall, on being so required by a police officer, produce his licence to drive (which term for the purposes of this regulation shall include an international driving licence) for examination, so as to enable the police officer to examine the photograph and to ascertain the name and address of the holder of the licence, and the date of issue, and the number thereof and any conditions or restrictions imposed under these Regulations and entered on the licence in accordance with these Regulations.

Production of licence to drive.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (1) of the regulations shall have effect as if the references therein to a person driving a motor vehicle included references to :—

- (a) any person whom a police officer has reasonable cause to believe to have been the driver of a motor vehicle at a time when an accident occurred owing to its presence on a road ;
- (b) any person whom a police officer has reasonable cause to believe to have committed an offence in relation to the use of a motor vehicle on a road ; and
- (c) any person who accompanies the holder of a learner's licence granted under regulation 30 while the holder is driving a motor vehicle on a road or whom a police officer has reasonable cause to believe to have accompanied the holder of such a licence while driving at a time when an accident occurred owing to the presence of the vehicle on a road or at a time when an offence is suspected of having been committed by the said holder in relation to the use of the vehicle on a road.

Records.

48. The Registrar shall establish and keep in such form as he considers appropriate a record of all driving licences, temporary licences and learner's licences issued, and a record of all endorsements from time to time duly made on such licences, and shall preserve and keep all declarations or other documents required to be made or to be completed in connection with the issue of such licences, including certificates of competency to drive delivered to the Registrar in accordance with regulation 37 (2) and applications for the issue of any such licence made in accordance with the regulations.

Provision of copies of licences.

49. The Registrar shall upon application being made to him by any police officer not below the rank of Assistant Superintendent forthwith provide without fee a copy of the particulars recorded by him relating to any licence to drive granted by him.

PART V.—CONSTRUCTION AND FITTINGS OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND GENERAL CONDITIONS AS TO THEIR USE ON THE ROAD.

Construction and fittings of motor vehicles.

50. Subject to the provisions of regulations 51, 52 and 53 no person shall cause, suffer or permit a motor vehicle to be used on a road or shall drive or have charge or control of a motor vehicle when so used unless the following provisions are satisfied and observed :—

- (a) the motor vehicle if it exceeds in weight unladen five hundredweight shall be capable of being so worked that it may travel either forwards or backwards ;
- (b) save with the licence of the Registrar, the motor vehicle shall not exceed seven and a half feet in width, such width being measured from its extreme projecting points.
- (c) save with the licence of the Registrar and subject to such condition as he may impose no part of the motor vehicle shall project upwards to a height of more than eleven feet from the ground ;
- (d) save with the licence of the Registrar and subject to such conditions as he may impose the maximum length of a motor vehicle shall not exceed twenty-four feet ;
- (e) every motor vehicle shall be fitted with pneumatic tyres, on all its wheels and no motor vehicle shall be driven on any road if its tyres are not in all respects in such a condition as not to cause, or to b

likely to cause, danger to any person on the motor vehicle or to any person using the road at the time, or to any property on or adjoining the road, except tractor fitted with caterpillar wheels and road rollers ;

- (f) the gross weight of a motor vehicle, when loaded and fully equipped, shall not exceed five tons, and the maximum load on any axle of a motor vehicle when loaded and fully equipped shall not exceed three tons :

Provided that motor vehicles not complying with the above conditions may be used on special permission being obtained from the Registrar ;

- (g) every motor vehicle shall carry a horn of a type approved by the Registrar, capable of giving audible and sufficient warning of the approach or position of the vehicle and shall not carry any other type of horn ;
- (h) except a motor cycle without a carriage, every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a reflecting mirror so constructed and fitted to the motor vehicle as to enable the driver of such motor vehicle to be or become aware of the presence in the rear thereof of any other vehicle the driver of which may be desirous of passing such motor vehicle ;
- (i) save with the licence of the Registrar, every motor vehicle shall be so constructed as to be capable of being turned within a circle of sixty feet in diameter ;
- (j) during the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise a motor vehicle shall have attached thereto a lamp or lamps lighted and so constructed and placed as to exhibit light in accordance with the following provisions :—

- (i) two lamps shall be so constructed and placed in front of the motor vehicle one on either side as to exhibit a white light visible within a reasonable distance in the direction towards which the motor vehicle is proceeding or is intended to proceed and clearly indicating the width of the motor vehicle. Two additional lamps shall be carried at the back of the vehicle, and shall show a red light in the reverse direction ; such lamps shall be so contrived as to illuminate and render easily distinguishable every letter and figure on the identification plate fixed on the back of the vehicle. The lamps shall be placed in such a position as to be free from all obstruction to the light, and nothing shall be carried on any part of the vehicle which will in any way obstruct the light of any of the lamps :

Provided that in the case of a motor cycle it shall be sufficient if a lamp is so placed as to exhibit a white light in the direction in which the motor cycle is proceeding or is intended to proceed, and a lamp is carried at the back of the motor cycle showing a red light in the reverse direction. A motor cycle with a carriage shall be considered to be a motor vehicle for the purposes of this paragraph ;

- (ii) every lamp carried by a motor vehicle, other than a motor cycle, when in use on a road at any time during the period hereinbefore mentioned shall be so constructed, fitted and attached as to prevent any movement in a horizontal plane relative to the chassis frame ;

(iii) no light shall be used on any motor vehicle on a road unless such precautions are taken as are sufficient to prevent it from being dangerous by reason of its brilliance to persons, motor vehicle or vehicles using the road ;

(iv) no front lamp shall be placed so as to project above the bottom of the frame of the wind-screen ;

(k) a motor vehicle shall, if stationary or parked on any road during the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise, have kept lighted not less than one white parking lamp in front, which must always be a lamp on the side of the motor vehicle nearest to the centre of the road, and one red lamp at the rear ; and a motor cycle so stationary or parked, during such period shall have kept lighted one white parking lamp in front and one red lamp in the rear :

Provided that nothing in this paragraph shall apply to a motor vehicle or motor cycle parked in a parking place.

(l) the motor vehicle and all fittings or accessories thereof shall be in such condition as not to cause, or not to be likely to cause danger to any person in or on the motor vehicle or on the road or in any vehicle thereon ;

(m) every motor vehicle shall be so constructed as to enable the driver, when the motor vehicle is stationary otherwise than through an enforced stoppage owing to the necessities of traffic, to stop the action of any machinery attached to or forming part of the vehicle as far as may be necessary for the prevention of noise, and the driver shall on every such occasion make prompt and effective use of all such means as in pursuance of this regulation are provided for the prevention of noise as above mentioned :

Provided that this shall not apply so as to prevent the examination or working of the machinery attached to or forming part of a motor vehicle where any such operation is rendered necessary by any failure or derangement of the machinery ;

(n) the motor vehicle shall have two independent braking systems in good working order and of such efficiency that the application of one shall cause all of its wheels to be held so that the vehicle shall be effectually prevented from revolving and so that the application of the other shall cause two of its wheels on the rear axle to be effectually prevented from revolving :

Provided that in the case of a motor vehicle having less than four wheels, this condition shall apply as if instead of two wheels on the same axle, one wheel were therein referred to :

Provided further that in the case of a tractor one set of brakes only will be required ;

(o) save with the licence of the Registrar the running boards or splash boards of the motor vehicle shall not project beyond the standard wings or mudguards as fitted by the makers of the motor vehicle ;

(p) save with the licence of the Registrar and subject to such conditions as the Registrar may impose no load carried by a motor vehicle shall—

(i) project beyond the width of the body of the motor vehicle ;

(ii) project more than six feet beyond the overall length of the motor vehicle ;

- (iii) be of a greater height than eleven feet from the ground ;
- (iv) be carried in such a way that danger to the driver, passengers or others or damage to property may result :

Provided that in the case of a motor cycle the load must not project beyond the width of the handle-bars nor beyond the overall length of the motor cycle or project upwards to a height greater than the shoulders of the rider ;

- (q) no cut-out, fitting or other apparatus or device shall be used in or upon or removed from any vehicle or motor cycle, which will allow the exhaust gases from the engine of the motor vehicle to escape into the atmosphere without first passing through a silencer, expansion chamber or other contrivance, suitable and sufficient for reducing as far as may reasonably be practicable the noise which would otherwise be caused by the escape of the said gases ;
- (r) no inscription of any kind shall be written, printed, painted or affixed on the wind-screen of any motor vehicle except the licence of the vehicle ;
- (s) all glass fitted to screens, windows and partitions of motor vehicles shall be non-splintering and shall be maintained in such condition that it does not obscure the vision of the driver while the vehicle is being driven on the road ;
- (t) every motor vehicle when moving on any road shall have its wheels properly aligned to the chassis so that the true rolling motion of the wheels shall be conveyed to the road, and no motor vehicle with a defective wheel, wheel hub, or axle tree, shall be used on any road ;
- (u) every motor vehicle shall be provided with a strong and reliable steering gear which shall be kept in such a state of repair and adjustment as to allow the vehicle to be turned readily and with certainty. The steering apparatus and driving gear of a motor vehicle shall be so arranged that the driver can manipulate the controls with certainty and at the same time have a clear view of the road ;
- (v) every motor vehicle, other than a tractor, a motor cycle and a trailer, not exceeding one ton in weight unladen, shall be equipped with suitable, free acting and efficient springs, and these springs shall be kept at all times in proper alignment and properly secured to the axle and except in the case of independent springing to the frame of the vehicle so that no undue lateral movement is allowed ;
- (w) every motor vehicle shall be provided with wings or similar means to catch as far as practicable mud or water thrown up by the rotation of the wheels, unless adequate protection is afforded by the body of the vehicle.

51. In addition to the provisions in Regulation 50 hereof contained the following special provisions shall, unless the Registrar otherwise directs by licence under his hand, apply to, and shall be observed in respect of motor lorries—

Special provisions for motor lorries.

- (a) the weight of a lorry unladen shall be painted in one or more straight lines in some conspicuous part on the right or off side of the lorry, in large legible letters in white upon black or black upon white, not less than two inches in height ;
- (b) the load on any one axle shall not exceed five tons ;

- (c) the total weight that may be carried by a lorry shall not exceed ten tons, exclusive of the weight of not more than three other persons ;
- (d) the maximum length of the wheelbase shall not exceed sixteen feet ;
- (e) no person shall be carried in a motor lorry other than the hirer or owner of the lorry or of the goods carried therein or the servants or agent of the owner or hirer not exceeding three persons in all excluding the driver. Such persons with the exception of one who may sit on the goods, will only be carried on properly secured seats ;
- (f) for the purposes of this Regulation and regulation 52 a child under five years of age and not occupying a seat shall not be counted, and two children over five years of age but under ten years of age shall be counted as one person.

Special provisions for motor omnibuses.

52. In addition to the provisions contained in regulations 50 and 51 the following provisions shall, unless the Registrar otherwise directs by licence under his hand, apply to, and shall be observed in respect of, motor omnibuses :—

- (a) every motor omnibus shall be properly constructed and shall be provided with fixed seats for the passengers to be carried and no passenger shall stand in the omnibus or be carried in any place on the omnibus other than on the specially provided fixed seats ;
- (b) the total weight of persons together with their personal baggage and together with any other goods whether belonging to such persons or not carried by an omnibus carrying passengers and goods shall not exceed ten tons.
- (c) when an omnibus is permitted to carry goods in addition to passengers, the goods shall be carried either on its roof, under a licence from the Registrar, or to the rear of all passengers and shall be so separated from the passengers as not to cause danger or discomfort to them.

Distinguishing marks on certain motor vehicles.

53.—(1) In addition to the provisions contained in regulations 50, 51 and 52, no person shall cause, suffer or permit a public service motor vehicle of not more than six passenger seats or a self-drive motor vehicle to be used on a road or shall drive or have charge or control of any such motor vehicle unless—

- (a) in the case of a public service motor vehicle of not more than six passenger seats it is painted any colour other than yellow and it has painted thereon, to the satisfaction of the Registrar, a yellow band with a black border in the manner hereinafter provided ;
- (b) in the case of a self-drive motor vehicle it is painted any colour other than white and it has painted thereon, to the satisfaction of the Registrar a white band with a black border in the manner hereinafter provided:

Provided that where such motor vehicle is painted black no black border as aforesaid shall be required.

(2) The yellow or white band referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), respectively, of paragraph (1) of this regulation shall be six inches in width, shall be continuous and shall run horizontally along both sides of the vehicle for its full length between the lower edges of the side windows and the lower edges of the wheel valances, continuing across the rear of the vehicle at the same level, but so that it does not obstruct the identification marks or obligatory lights.

(3) The black border referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of paragraph (1) of this regulation shall be one inch in width and shall run along the top and bottom of the aforesaid yellow or white band.

54. Save with the licence of the Registrar and subject to such conditions as he may impose no motor vehicle fitted with left-hand drive shall be used in Cyprus. Left-hand drives.

55.—(1) No change of the engine or cylinder block or the chassis or the body of a registered motor vehicle shall be effected without a licence of the Registrar and subject to such terms and conditions as he may impose and, when a change is effected contrary to the provisions of this paragraph or any conditions imposed thereunder, the licence of the motor vehicle shall be deemed to be suspended. Change of engine.

(2) The change of the engine or cylinder block together with a change of the chassis shall render the existing registration of the motor vehicle void and a new registration shall be required in respect thereof.

56.—(1) Subject to the provisions of these Regulations the Registrar shall fix by endorsing on the licence of a public service motor vehicle and motor lorry— Power of Registrar to fix number of passengers.

- (a) the maximum number and total weight of persons which may be conveyed by such vehicle when used for the carriage of persons and their hand luggage only ;
- (b) the maximum number and the total weight of persons and the maximum weight of goods which may be conveyed or carried by a motor omnibus used for the carriage of goods and the conveyance of passengers ;
- (c) the maximum weight of goods which may be carried by a motor lorry, and the number of persons who may be conveyed on the front seat of such lorry, and no person in excess of the number or weight and no goods in excess of the weight endorsed upon its licence shall be conveyed or carried on such vehicle and any such endorsement by the Registrar shall be deemed to be a condition of such licence :

Provided that the Registrar may, upon payment of a fee of one hundred and fifty mils alter the endorsement on any licence from time to time so as to enable a motor omnibus for the conveyance of passengers and the carriage of goods to convey solely passengers or solely goods and *vice versa*.

(2) No person or goods shall be carried in any motor vehicle to which this regulation applies in excess of that endorsed on the licence in accordance with paragraph (1) of this regulation.

(3) The Registrar may fix the maximum number of passengers which may be carried by any carriage attached to and drawn by, any motor vehicle, and no passenger in excess of that number shall be conveyed on such carriage.

57. There shall be painted or otherwise indicated outside on the right side of every motor omnibus the permitted number of passengers which may be conveyed thereon. Painting of number of passengers.

PART VI.—DRIVING.

Duties of
drivers.

58.—(1) Any person driving or having the charge or control of a motor vehicle on any road, shall—

- (a) not drive from such a position in the motor vehicle that he cannot have full control of the vehicle or a full view of the road and traffic ahead of the vehicle ;
- (b) not permit any person to be on the vehicle in such a position as to interfere with the driver's control of the vehicle or his full view of the road and traffic ahead or his ability to make the hand-signals prescribed in the Fourth Schedule and shall not on a right-hand steering controlled motor vehicle, permit any person to sit or stand on the right-hand side next to the driver, not more than two persons on the left-hand side of the driver, and on a left-hand steering controlled motor vehicle shall not permit any person to sit or stand on the left-hand side of the driver, not more than two persons on the right-hand side of the driver ;
- (c) not cause, suffer or permit any person to ride in or upon any part of a motor vehicle other than the normal seats ;
- (d) not cause, suffer or permit any person riding a bicycle or motor cycle to hold on to any motor vehicle in motion for the purpose of being towed ;
- (e) not cause the motor vehicle to travel backwards for a greater distance or time than may be requisite for the safety or convenience of the occupants of the vehicle and of passengers and other traffic on the road ;
- (f) not quit the motor vehicle without having taken due precautions against its being started in his absence or allow the motor vehicle to stand on any road so as to cause, or be likely to cause, any unnecessary obstruction thereof ;
- (g) make use of the hand-signals prescribed in the Fourth Schedule hereto and shall pay regard to signals when used by other persons :
Provided that mechanical or electrical indicators when fitted to a motor vehicle may be used for indicating that he intends to turn to the right or left ;
- (h) obey all directions by a police officer in uniform ;
- (i) comply with all traffic signs placed or painted on or near any road by the Police or the municipal council or other authority empowered to regulate or control traffic for the guidance of drivers of motor vehicles ;
- (j) on approaching any police officer on point duty at any road junction give the appropriate signal to him and shall obey any signals of such police officer ;
- (k) obey all notices, intended to apply to motor vehicles which may be erected, painted or otherwise exhibited on or near any road or so as to be visible from any road by order of a municipal council or other authority empowered to control or regulate traffic ;

- (l) not negligently or wilfully prevent, hinder, or interrupt the free passage of any person, motor vehicle, vehicle, horse or cattle on any road and shall keep the motor vehicle on the left or rear side of the road for the purpose of allowing such passage ;
- (m) not overtake any traffic travelling in the same direction on a bridge or when approaching the brow of a hill or at cross roads and in overtaking another vehicle give way to any other vehicle coming in the opposite direction if the road is not wide enough for the three vehicles abreast ;
- (n) when entering into any main road or when coming from any village road, slow down or halt and give way to traffic on any main road ;
- (o) not sound the horn of the motor vehicle at all between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. in any municipal area or an improvement area and not to sound the horn in any other case, unless it is absolutely necessary and not use as a horn any appliance or warning device, unless the type thereof has been approved by the Registrar ;
- (p) on the request of any police officer in uniform, cause the motor vehicle to stop and to remain stationary until such officer allows him to proceed and on the request of any person having charge of any animal or vehicle or if such person shall put up his hand as a signal for the purpose, cause the motor vehicle to slow down ;
- (q) on the request of any police officer in uniform, or on the occurrence of any accident due to the motor vehicle truly state to such police officer or to any person witnessing the accident his name and address and the name and place of abode or business of the owner of the motor vehicle ;
- (r) save with the licence of the Registrar not carry or permit or suffer to be carried any goods on the roof—
 - (i) of a motor omnibus having seating accommodation for less than eighteen passengers, in excess of twenty cokes in weight in respect of each passenger seat, whether occupied at the time or not ;
 - (ii) of a motor omnibus having single rear wheels and seating accommodation for eighteen passengers or more, in excess of five hundred cokes in weight in all ;
 - (iii) of a motor omnibus having rear twin wheels and seating accommodation for eighteen passengers or more, in excess of eight hundred cokes in weight in all :

Provided that it shall not be lawful for any motor omnibus to carry goods on the roof as specified in paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) of this regulation unless—

- (a) the roof is equipped with luggage rails of adequate strength to keep the goods in place ;
- (b) the weight of the load is spread over on the roof as evenly as possible and the goods are securely and safely fixed or attached to the rails ;
- (c) the load is not of greater height than eleven feet from the ground ; and
- (d) the total weight of passengers and goods does not exceed the maximum weight thereof permitted under these Regulations ;

- (s) before rounding any curve or corner, or entering or crossing a road or approaching a fork, reduce speed to a safe limit ; and in rounding any curve or corner, shall keep as close as possible to the left-hand side of the road, and when rounding a curve at which the road ahead is not visible for a greater distance than one hundred yards or any corner, or entering or crossing a road or approaching a fork, shall not pass or attempt to pass any traffic travelling in the same direction ; and shall not otherwise than by reason of an enforced stoppage or owing to the necessities of traffic, stop his motor vehicle within twenty-five feet from any corner or sign post ;
 - (t) upon a sound warning given by such instrument as may be prescribed from time to time by the Chief Constable or the Registrar by notice in the *Gazette*, to stop the motor vehicle and wait until he is allowed to proceed by the person giving the warning or by such other warning as may be similarly prescribed by the Chief Constable or the Registrar ;
 - (u) upon a request of any police officer in uniform specially authorized in this respect by the Registrar stop and allow such officer to examine the motor vehicle and make any necessary test for the purpose of ascertaining whether it complies with the requirements of these Regulations, and for this purpose drive such vehicle under the observation of such officer for such distance at such speed and in such manner as such officer may direct.
- (2)—(a) Every motor vehicle shall, in approaching and passing traffic coming in the opposite direction, be driven on the left or near side of the road.
- (b) Every motor vehicle shall, when overtaking traffic proceeding in the same direction, pass such traffic on the right or off side thereof.
 - (c) When one motor vehicle is being overtaken by another the front vehicle shall reduce speed and give way to allow the overtaking vehicle to pass. In all cases a motor vehicle shall be driven so as to give as much space as possible for the passing of other traffic.
 - (d) When two or more motor vehicles approach each other on a road the driver of each motor vehicle shall, where by reason of the width and condition of such road it is necessary or desirable so to do, cause his motor vehicle to slow down for the purpose of allowing safe passage to the other vehicles or any other traffic on the road.
 - (e) The driver of a motor lorry or motor omnibus shall, whenever it is necessary or desirable by reason of the width or condition of the road so to do, stop his lorry or omnibus in order to allow lighter motor traffic approaching or overtaking him to pass.

Motor cycle
passengers.

59. The driver of a motor cycle shall not carry any person in front of him on the motor cycle, but if the motor cycle is fitted with a seat properly constructed for the purpose and firmly affixed to the frame behind the driver's seat, he may carry not more than one person sitting astride the motor cycle on such seat.

Indecency
in public
service
motor
vehicle.

60. No person shall use or knowingly allow or suffer any public service motor vehicle to be used—

- (a) for any indecent or immoral behaviour therein ;
- (b) for the purpose of soliciting or importuning for any immoral purpose ;
- (c) for any other indecent or immoral purpose.

61.—(1) If in any case, owing to the presence of a motor vehicle on a road, an accident occurs whereby damage or injury is caused to any person, vehicle or animal, the driver of the motor vehicle shall stop and, if required to do so by any person having reasonable grounds for so requiring, give his name and address, and also the name and address of the owner and identification marks of the vehicle. Report of accidents.

(2) In the case of any such accident as aforesaid the driver of the motor vehicle for any reason does not give his name and address to any such person as aforesaid he shall report the accident at a police station or to a police officer as soon as reasonably practicable and in any case within twenty-four hours of the occurrence thereof.

(3) In this regulation the word "animal" means any horse, cattle, ass, mule, sheep, pig, goat or dog.

PART VII.—INSPECTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

62.—(1) The Registrar may require by notice under his hand that any motor vehicle should be presented for inspection at such time and at such place as it may be specified in the notice, with the object of ascertaining its condition, and the owner or the person having the control or charge of such motor vehicle shall present the same for inspection at the appointed time and place. Inspection for defects.

(2) The examination shall be carried out by an examiner appointed by the Registrar (hereinafter called "the examiner") and such examiner shall, unless he is satisfied that the motor vehicle is in good and safe condition, order such repairs or adjustments to be made as in his opinion are necessary to ensure the safety of any person carried by such motor vehicle.

(3) The examiner, if satisfied that the motor vehicle is in good and safe condition or that such repairs or adjustments as he may have ordered to be made have been carried out in accordance with his orders, shall issue to the owner or person having the control or charge of the motor vehicle certificate of road-worthiness as in Form K of the First Schedule hereto specifying the date of the inspection. This certificate must be carried by the driver at all times and must be produced on demand by any police officer in uniform. If the examiner is satisfied that this certificate has been lost, defaced, mutilated or rendered illegible, he may issue a duplicate certificate.

(4) On and from the date appointed in the notice in paragraph (1) of this regulation no motor vehicle which may be affected by such notice shall be used unless the owner or the person having the control or charge thereof has obtained a certificate of road-worthiness as in paragraph (3) hereof provided.

(5) The notice required by this regulation shall be published in any newspaper published in Cyprus but the Registrar may bring to the notice of the owner or the person having the control or charge of a motor vehicle that an inspection of such vehicle is required in any way as to the Registrar may seem fit.

63.—(1) Any police officer in uniform may stop any motor vehicle with a view to ascertaining whether such motor vehicle is being used in contravention of these Regulations or any licence issued or endorsement made thereunder and in the event of such motor vehicle being used in such manner a licensing officer or other person appointed in this respect by the Registrar or a police officer in uniform may take such vehicle to any police station or place of safety there to be detained until the motor vehicle and driver can be identified and any mechanical defect thereof remedied. Stopping motor vehicles.

(2) Any licensing officer or other person appointed in this respect by the Registrar or a police officer in uniform may stop any motor vehicle used on any road and cause such vehicle and its load to be weighed on the spot or order it to proceed to another suitable place for the purpose of weighing the same.

PART VIII.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Registers to be kept.

64.—(1) The owner of any public service motor vehicle who hires, allows or suffers such vehicle to be used or driven on any road by any other person, not being in his service, shall keep a register in which he shall enter the number and type of the motor vehicle, the name and address, the number and date of the driving licence, of such person and the date and time during which such person uses or drives the motor vehicle.

(2) The register kept under paragraph (1) of this regulation shall, at all reasonable time, be open to inspection by any police officer on duty or by any person authorised in writing in this respect by the Registrar.

Trailers.

65. Save with the licence of the Registrar and subject to such conditions as he may impose, the following special provisions shall apply to, and shall be observed in respect of trailers :—

- (a) only one trailer at a time may be towed by any one motor vehicle;
- (b) the overall length of a motor vehicle and trailer (including draw-bar) shall not exceed forty feet ;
- (c) every trailer exceeding two cwt. in weight unladen shall have an efficient braking system the brakes of which are capable of being applied when it is being drawn—
 - (i) to at least two wheels in the case of a trailer having not more than four wheels ;
 - (ii) to at least four wheels in the case of a trailer having more than four wheels ;
 - (iii) to two wheels in the case of a trailer having two wheels, and so constructed that—
 - (i) the brakes can be applied by the driver of the towing vehicle or by some other person on such vehicle :
Provided that this sub-paragraph shall not apply in the case of a trailer not exceeding one ton in weight unladen and not exceeding forty-five cwt. in total weight, if in either case the brakes of the trailer automatically come into operation on the overrun of the trailer ;
 - (ii) in the case of any trailer the brakes are capable of being set so as effectively to prevent two at least of the wheels from revolving when the trailer, whether it is attached to the towing motor vehicle or not, is not being drawn ;
- (d) the total laden weight of a trailer shall not exceed the total laden weight of the towing motor vehicle ;
- (e) no trailer shall be towed by a lorry or omnibus except a trailer which is an articulated vehicle designed and constructed specially for this purpose or a trailer designed for use in private premises, custom house, warehouse and used on a road only in passing from one part of any such premises to another, or to other premises in the immediate neighbourhood ;
- (f) no person may be carried on or in a trailer.

Offences.

66. Any person who contravenes any of these Regulations or any condition of any licence granted to him under any of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations and shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for six months or to a fine of one hundred pounds or to both such fine and such imprisonment,

67.—(1) Where an act or omission constitutes an offence under these Regulations and also under any bye-law made by any Municipal Authority, the offender shall be liable to be prosecuted and punished either under these Regulations or under such bye-laws but shall not be liable to be punished twice for the same offence. Offences under Regulations and municipal bye-laws.

(2) Where any person is adjudged by any Court to pay any fine in respect of an offence against these Regulations committed within any municipal limits, such fine shall be paid to the town fund of the municipal corporation concerned.

68. Where under section 13 of the Law particulars of any conviction or disqualification are endorsed upon the licence of any person the Registrar of the Court by which such person was convicted of the offence in respect of which such endorsement was made shall inform the Registrar that such endorsement has taken place and the offence in respect of which it was made. Endorsements on driving licences.

69. No motor vehicle the property of Her Majesty shall be required to be registered or licensed under the provisions of these Regulations. Motor vehicles the property of Her Majesty.

70. The Motor Vehicles Regulations, 1951 to 1958, are hereby revoked: Revocation.
 Provided that—

- (a) any register for the registration of motor vehicles kept by virtue of any of the Regulations hereby revoked shall be deemed to be a register kept under the provisions of these Regulations and any registration therein contained shall be deemed to be a registration made under these Regulations ;
- (b) any licences issued in respect of a motor vehicle by virtue of any of the regulations hereby revoked and in force at the time of these Regulations coming into operation shall be deemed to have been issued and to be a licence in respect of such motor vehicle under these Regulations ;
- (c) any licences to drive a motor vehicle issued by virtue of any of the regulations hereby revoked and in force at the time of these Regulations coming into operation shall be deemed to have been issued and to be a licence to drive a motor vehicle under these Regulations ;
- (d) any identification mark assigned to a motor vehicle by virtue of any of the regulations hereby revoked shall be deemed to have been assigned and to be an identification mark under these Regulations.
- (e) any order, notice, appointment, authority, licence, approval, prescription or other act whatsoever made, given or done by the Governor, the Registrar, or any other person under the Regulations hereby revoked shall be deemed to have been made, given or done under these Regulations.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

FORM A.

APPLICATION FOR THE REGISTRATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

(Regulation 7.)

Reg. No.
 F. 49 No.
 Reg. on

- 1. Full name of owner :
- 2. Full address of owner :

FORM B.

CYPRUS.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

(Regulation 9.)

No. of identification mark and date of Registration	Description of motor vehicle	Weight of vehicle unladen	Name of owner	Address	Date of transfer	Public or Private, and date	Number of passengers or weight of goods, excluding driver
	Make						
	Type or Model and year of manufacture						
	Cubic capacity						
	No. of Cylinders						
	Engine No.						
	Serial or Frame No.						
	Country of Manufacture						

Date

Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

FORM C.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE.

(Regulation 19 (2).)

1. Name of owner.....
2. Address
3. Vehicle Registration No.....
4. Make and type of vehicle.....
- 5.*Year of manufacture and model No. (if any).....
- 6.*Cubic capacity.....
- 7.*Number of cylinders.....
8. Engine Number.....
9. Chassis Number.....
10. Tare weight of vehicle.....
- 11.†Total weight of load which vehicle is constructed to carry, including passengers
12. Whether for private use or for use as a public service vehicle.....
13. Period for which licence is required.....
- 14.*/†Number and date of certificate of road-worthiness (to be produced to the licensing authority).....
15. Insurance Policy No.....

16. Company Insured
 17. Insurance Policy valid up to (date).....

DECLARATION.

I declare that the foregoing application for a licence for a motor car contains a full and true account of the particulars which the Law requires me to state.

Date..... Signature.....

NOTE.—* Not required where vehicle is registered with the licensing authority to whom this application is being made.
 † Applicable to public vehicles only.

FORM D.
 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENCE.
 (Regulation 19 (5).)

ENGINE NO		FEE PAID	
CHASSIS No		IDENT MARK	
TYPE		MAKE	
WEIGHT OF VEHICLE UNLADEN OR TARE		TOTAL WEIGHT OF LOAD VEHICLE IS CONSTRUCTED TO CARRY INCLUDING PASSENGERS	
		TOTAL WEIGHT.....	
		TOTAL PASS.....	
NAME		DATE STAMP	
ADDRESS		OF OFFICE	
ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR CYPRUS		OF ISSUE	
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FORM E.
 APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE (INCLUDING A LEARNER'S LICENCE)
 TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE.
 (Regulations 27 (3) and 30 (2).)

2 passport sized photographs to be submitted, which should be signed by the applicant.

What is your name ? (block capitals) |

What is your permanent private address in Cyprus ? |

Date of birth |

Identity Card No. (Birth Certificate to accompany this application). |

Father's name. |

Mother's name. |

What kind of licence do you want ? |

Give the class or classes you wish to drive. |

Give particulars of your last licence. | Number..... Class.....
Copy the particulars here and send the licence with | Date of issue

From what date do you want the licence to run ? |

Has any Court ordered a conviction to be endorsed on |
your licence ? Answer yes or no.

Are you disqualified by any Court for holding or |
obtaining a licence ? Answer yes or no.

Do you suffer from epilepsy, or from sudden attacks |
of disabling giddiness or faint ?
Answer yes or no.

Can you read at a distance of 25 yards in good day- |
light (with glasses if worn) a motor vehicle
number plate, containing six letters and figures ?
Answer yes or no.

Are you without hand or foot, or are you suffering from |
any defect in movement, control or muscular
power, of either arm or leg ? Answer yes or no.

Are you suffering from any other disease mental, or |
physical or disability which would be likely to
cause the driving by you of a motor vehicle to be
source of danger to the public ? Answer yes
or no.

Has the Registrar of Motor Vehicles cancelled or |
suspended your Driving Licence ?
Answer yes or no.

Do you understand that it is an offence to use a motor |
vehicle on a road unless covered by Insurance
against third party risks ? Answer yes or no.

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers given above are true.
Date..... Usual Signature of applicant.....

FORM F.
LEARNER'S LICENCE.
(Regulations 30 (1) and 41.)

Learner's licence No.....
Issued by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Cyprus.

Name of
the holder of Identity Card No..... is hereby licensed to drive a motor
vehicle of class..... from the..... day of..... 19.....
until the..... day of..... 19..... inclusive ; subject to the conditions
prescribed in Regulation 30 of the Traffic Regulations, 1959.

Office of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Nicosia, Cyprus. Signature of Holder.....

FORM G.

CERTIFICATE OF PASSING OF TEST OF COMPETENCE TO DRIVE.
(Regulation 37 (1).)

Receipt No..... Licence No.....
Name..... Address.....
has been tested and has passed the test of competence to drive.....
prescribed by regulation 36 of the Traffic Regulations, 1959.

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Examiner:.....

Date:.....

FORM H.

FORM OF STATEMENT OF FAILURE TO PASS TEST OF COMPETENCE
TO DRIVE.

(Regulation 38.).

..... of..... holder of Identity Card
No..... and Learner's Licence No..... has this day been
examined by me and has failed to pass the test of competence to drive prescribed for the
purposes of regulation of the Traffic Regulations, 1959.

Date:..... *Examiner:*.....

Receipt No.

FORM I.

DRIVING LICENCE.

(Regulation 41.)

Driving Licence No..... issued by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Cyprus.
..... of..... the
holder of Identity Card No..... Mr./Mrs./Miss.....
is hereby licensed to drive a motor vehicle of class/es.....
from the..... day of....., 19..... until the..... day
of.....; 19..... inclusive.

Office of the Registrar of Motor Vehicles,
Nicosia, Cyprus.

Signature of Holder.....

FORM J.

TEMPORARY LICENCE.

(Regulation 43.)

No.
Mr./Mrs./Miss..... of..... is hereby
granted a licence to drive a..... motor vehicle of class..... for a period
(not exceeding six months) as from the..... day of....., 19.....

Date:..... *Registrar Motor Vehicles:*.....

FORM K.

CERTIFICATE OF ROAD-WORTHINESS.

(Regulation 62 (3).)

I hereby certify that I have examined the motor vehicle described hereunder which,
in all respects, conforms with the requirements of the Traffic Regulations, 1959, and
is road-worthy.

Make of motor vehicle.....

Type of motor vehicle.....
 Identification Mark—..... Engine No. Chassis No.....
 Name of Owner..... Address.....
 2. This motor vehicle is suitably constructed for use as.....
 3. The validity of this Certificate expires on the next Motor Vehicle Inspection.
 Date of Inspection..... Place of Inspection.....
*Examiner.*

SECOND SCHEDULE.

PROVISION AS TO IDENTIFICATION MARKS.

(Regulation 8 (3).)

1. An identification mark assigned under regulation 8 (3) shall consist of two plates.

SHAPE.

2. Each plate must be rectangular, and must bear upon it such letters and figures as are assigned by the Registrar.
 3. The ground of the plate must be black, the letters and figures must be white, and must at all times be so kept as to be easily legible.

SIZE.

4. All letters and figures must be three and a half inches high, every part of every letter and figure must be five-eighths of an inch broad, and the total width of the space taken by every letter or figure, except in the case of the figure 1, must be two and a half inches.

5. The space between adjoining letters and between adjoining figures must be half an inch, and there must be a margin between the nearest part of any letter or figure and the top and bottom of the plate of at least half an inch, and between the nearest part of any letter or figure and the sides of the plate of at least one inch.

6. In the case of the plates for a motor cycle, each of the dimensions mentioned above may be halved, and the shape of the plate need not be rectangular, so long as the minimum margin between any letter or figure and the top, bottom and sides of the plate is preserved.

POSITION.

7. The plates forming the identification mark shall at all times be clearly legible, and shall be fixed one on the front of and the other on the back of the motor vehicle in an upright position so that every letter or figure on the plate is upright and easily distinguishable—in the case of the plate placed on the front of the motor vehicle from in front of the vehicle, and in the case of the plate placed on the back of the motor vehicle from behind the vehicle.

In the case of motor cycles, the plate fixed on the front of the cycle may, if it has duplicate faces, be fixed so that from whichever side the cycle is viewed the letters or figures on one or other face of the plate are easily distinguishable, though they may not be distinguishable from the front of the cycle.

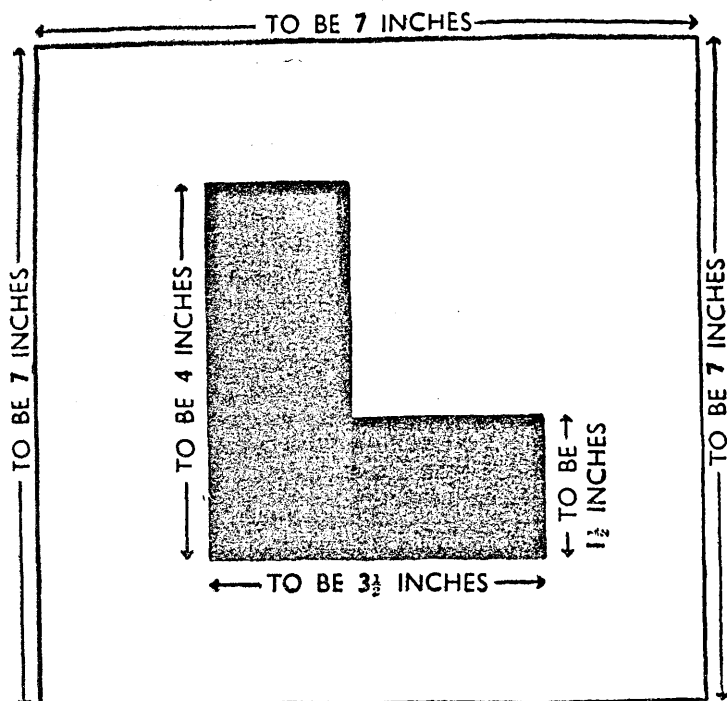
Nothing shall be carried on any part of the motor vehicle that will in any way obstruct the view of the numbers on the plates.

8. When a trailer is attached to a motor vehicle, either in front or behind, the plate required to be fixed on the front or on the back of the motor vehicle, or a duplicate of such plate, shall be fixed on the front or on the back of the carriage attached, as the case requires, in the same manner as the plate is required to be fixed upon the motor vehicle.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

(Regulation 30 (3) (c).)

Diagram of distinguishing mark to be displayed on a motor vehicle whilst being driven by a person holding learner's licence.

(Red letter on white ground.)

The corners of the white ground may be rounded off

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

HAND SIGNALS.

(Regulation 58 (g).)

On approaching cross roads or a road intersection or junction or whenever the driver of a motor vehicle intends to change the course, direction or speed of his vehicle he shall make use of whichever of the following signals is appropriate for the purpose of indicating his intentions to other users of the road, such signals to be given with the arm projecting from the side of the motor vehicle at least as far as the elbow :—

- (a) when about to slow down or to stop, extend the right arm with the palm or the hand turned downwards, and move the arm slowly up and down, keeping the wrist loose ;
- (b) when about to turn to the right extend the right arm and hand with the palm turned to the front, and hold them rigid in a horizontal position straight out from the off side of the motor vehicle.
- (c) when about to turn to the left extend the right arm and rotate it from the shoulder in an anti-clockwise direction ;
- (d) when indicating to following traffic that it may overtake on the right, extend the right arm and hand below the level of the shoulder and move them backwards and forwards.

Made this 20th day of July, 1959.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. S. FAIZ,

Clerk of the Executive Council.