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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) RULES 2017

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 5) Rules 2017 and come into operation on 1 October 2017.

Amendment of rule 2

- **2.** Rule 2 of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) (called in these Rules the principal Rules) is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "category (f) certificate of entitlement" in paragraph (1), the following definition:
 - ""chauffeured private hire car" means a private hire car hired, or made available for hire, for use primarily in the circumstances in paragraph (b) of the definition of "private hire car" but which may also be used in the circumstances in paragraph (a) of that definition;";
 - (b) by deleting the definition of "private hire car" in paragraph (1) and substituting the following definition:

- ""private hire car" means a motor car that does not ply for hire on any road, and
 - (a) is hired or made available for hire, under a contract (express or implied) for use as a whole by the hirer or any other individual authorised by the hirer in the contract to drive the car personally; or
 - (b) is hired or made available for hire, under a contract (express or implied) for use as a whole with a driver for the purpose of conveying the hirer, and one or more passengers (if any), in that car;";
- (c) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "secondhand vehicle" in paragraph (1), the following definition:
 - ""self-drive private hire car" means a private hire car hired, or made available for hire, in the circumstances in paragraph (a) of the definition of "private hire car";"; and
- (d) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:
 - "(3) In these Rules, a reference to registration as a private hire car is a reference to both registration as a chauffeured private hire car and registration as a self-drive private hire car.".

Amendment of rule 33D

- **3.** Rule 33D of the principal Rules is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words "private hire car" in paragraphs (1)(a) and (3) and substituting in each case the words "private motor car";
 - (b) by deleting the words "in the name of a private individual" in paragraph (1)(b); and