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**ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES)
(VOCATIONAL LICENCES AND CONDUCT OF DRIVERS,
CONDUCTORS, TRISHAW RIDERS AND PASSENGERS)
(AMENDMENT NO. 2) RULES 2017**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 111 of the Road Traffic Act, the Land Transport Authority of Singapore makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Vocational Licences and Conduct of Drivers, Conductors, Trishaw Riders and Passengers) (Amendment No. 2) Rules 2017 and come into operation on 1 July 2017.

Amendment of rule 16

2. Rule 16 of the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) (Vocational Licences and Conduct of Drivers, Conductors, Trishaw Riders and Passengers) Rules (R 8) (called in these Rules the principal Rules) is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “other than” in paragraph (1), the words “a chauffeured private hire car or”; and
- (b) by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(3) A licensee must, at all times when the licensee is acting as a chauffeured private hire car driver or a taxi driver, display such identification document as the Registrar may specify.”.

Amendment of rule 21**3.** Rule 21 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “such vehicle” in paragraph (n), the words “(other than a chauffeured private hire car)”; and
- (b) by renumbering the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) Paragraph (1)(c), (f), (g) and (i) does not apply to a licensee when the licensee is acting as a chauffeured private hire car driver.”.

Amendment of rule 22**4.** Rule 22 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by inserting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (d);
- (b) by deleting the semi-colon at the end of paragraph (e) and substituting a full-stop;
- (c) by deleting paragraphs (f), (g), (h) and (i); and
- (d) by renumbering the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:

“(2) Paragraph (1)(b) and (e) does not apply to a licensee when the licensee is acting as a chauffeured private hire car driver.”.

Amendment of rule 22A**5.** Rule 22A(3) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the definition of “specified vehicle” and substituting the following definition:

““specified vehicle” means a chauffeured private hire car, an excursion bus, an omnibus, a private hire bus or a school bus.”.

New rules 22B, 22C and 22D

6. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 22A, the following rules:

“Conduct of chauffeured private hire car drivers and taxi drivers

22B. A licensee, when acting as a chauffeured private hire car driver or a taxi driver, must not do any of the following:

- (a) stop the private hire car or taxi within 9 metres of a bus-stop —
 - (i) measured from the outer edge of the yellow demarcated box of a bus-stop; or
 - (ii) measured from the tip of a bus bay,
except when the private hire car or taxi breaks down owing to a defect in the private hire car or taxi, or its tyres;
- (b) without reasonable excuse —
 - (i) terminate a hiring of the private hire car or taxi;
or
 - (ii) require any passenger who is being conveyed for the purpose of gain to leave the private hire car or taxi before the passenger is conveyed to the passenger’s destination;
- (c) during the hiring of the private hire car or taxi, permit any person or article to be carried in or upon the private hire car or taxi without the consent of the hirer;
- (d) verbally insult, intimidate or harass a passenger in any manner (including sexually).

Driving without chauffeured private hire car marking, etc.

22C.—(1) A licensee, when acting as a chauffeured private hire car driver, must not drive a licensed chauffeured private hire car knowing, or having reasonable cause to believe, that —