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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (CHAPTER 276)

ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, DRIVING LICENCES) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) RULES 2015

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 48 and 140 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 3) Rules 2015 and come into operation on 1 January 2016.

Amendment of rule 2

2. Rule 2(1) of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Driving Licences) Rules (R 27) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) is amended by deleting the words "Part III" in the definition of "Proficiency Driving Test" and substituting the words "Part 3".

Amendment of rule 5

3. Rule 5 of the principal Rules is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words "70 years" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "75 years";
- (b) by deleting the words "68 or 69" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73 or 74"; and
- (c) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

"(2A) For the purpose of paragraph (2)(c), a holder of a Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the whole or such part (as the case may be) of the Proficiency Driving Test if the holder meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass the whole or such part of that test.". **4.** Rule 5A(3) of the principal Rules is amended by deleting the words "referred to in section 36(2)(a)(i) of the Act" and substituting the words "aged 65 years and above".

Amendment of rule 6

- 5. Rule 6 of the principal Rules is amended
 - (*a*) by deleting the words "The holder of" in paragraph (2) and substituting the words "A holder of, or an applicant for,";
 - (*b*) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

"(2A) For the purpose of this rule and sections 35(10A)(b) and 36(2)(b) of the Act, a holder of or an applicant for a Class 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the whole or such part (as the case may be) of the Proficiency Driving Test if the holder or applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass the whole or part of that test.";

(c) by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(3) Where the holder or applicant referred to in paragraph (2) has failed the Proficiency Driving Test, the holder or applicant may apply to the Deputy Commissioner of Police for a retest."; and

(d) by inserting, immediately after the words "holder of" in the rule heading, the words "or applicant for".

Amendment of rule 9

- 6. Rule 9 of the principal Rules is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after the words "Class 2, 2A or 2B" in paragraph (1), the word "driving";
 - (b) by deleting the words "Part I" in paragraph (1)(d) and substituting the words "Part 1";

(c) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (1A), the following paragraph:

"(1B) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(d), an applicant for a Class 2, 2A or 2B driving licence passes the Practical Riding Test if the applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass that test.";

- (d) by deleting the words "Part II" in paragraph (2)(e) and substituting the words "Part 2"; and
- (*e*) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

"(2A) For the purpose of paragraph (2)(e), an applicant for a Class 1, 3, 3A, 3C, 3CA, 4, 4A or 5 driving licence passes the Practical Driving Test if the applicant meets, to the satisfaction of the person conducting the test, the requirements to pass that test."

New rule 9A

7. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 9, the following rule:

"Prescribed period for recognition of foreign driving licence of person who becomes citizen or permanent resident of Singapore or work pass driver

9A. For the purposes of section 38(3) of the Act and the definition of "prescribed period" in section 38(5) of the Act —

- (a) the prescribed period for a person referred to in section 38(3)(a) of the Act is 3 months, starting from the date on which the person is granted a certificate of citizenship under the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore or an entry permit under the Immigration Act (Cap. 133), whichever first happens; and
- (b) the prescribed period for a person referred to in section 38(3)(b) of the Act is 6 months, starting from the date on which the person is issued with a work pass under the Employment of Foreign Manpower Act (Cap. 91A).".