

**Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 5)
Rules 2003**

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**ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(CHAPTER 276)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLES, REGISTRATION AND LICENSING)
(AMENDMENT NO. 5) RULES 2003**

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

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) (Amendment No. 5) Rules 2003 and shall come into operation on 7th August 2003.

New rule 3D

2. The Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Registration and Licensing) Rules (R 5) (referred to in these Rules as the principal Rules) are amended by inserting, immediately

after rule 3C, the following rule:

“Pre-registration approval of vehicle

3D.—(1) No new vehicle shall be registered under the Act unless —

- (a) in the case of a vehicle that is imported by a person other than the manufacturer of the vehicle or an authorised dealer, the vehicle has been granted batch type-approval; and
- (b) in any other case, the model of the vehicle has been granted type-approval or the vehicle has been granted batch type-approval.

(2) Where —

- (a) a new vehicle is of a model which is modified after the model has been granted type-approval; or
- (b) a new vehicle is of a model which has been granted type-approval but is manufactured in Singapore (whether wholly or partially),

the new vehicle shall not be registered unless the modified model of the vehicle or the vehicle, as the case may be, has been granted modified type-approval.

(3) Any person who wishes to obtain batch type-approval, type-approval or modified type-approval in respect of a new vehicle, a batch of new vehicles or a model of a new vehicle shall apply to the Registrar for such approval.

(4) An application under paragraph (3) shall be accompanied by —

- (a) such information and documents as the Registrar may require;
- (b) the appropriate application fee specified in Part IA of the First Schedule, in the case of an application for batch type-approval;
- (c) the appropriate application fee specified in Part IB of the First Schedule, in the case of an application for type-approval; and
- (d) the appropriate application fee specified in Part IC of the First Schedule, in the case of an application for modified type-approval.

(5) Where —

- (a) a new vehicle does not comply with rule 6, 7, 8, 52, 56 or 99 of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) Rules (R 9);
- (b) a new vehicle is one to which rule 48A or 48B of the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) Rules applies; or

(*c*) any part of a new vehicle is manufactured in Singapore,
the person making the application under paragraph (3) shall, in addition to the documents and fee referred to in paragraph (4) submit —

(i) a detailed drawing of the vehicle in respect of which the application is made for the approval of the Registrar; and

(ii) a fee of \$300.

(6) The Registrar may waive the fee referred to in paragraph (4)(*b*), (*c*) or (*d*) or (5)(ii).

(7) Where the fee referred to in paragraph (4)(*b*), (*c*) or (*d*) or 5 (ii) is paid by cheque or by means of an electronic fund transfer system and such payment is unsuccessful for any reason, the Registrar may require the payment of an additional fee of \$20 for each unsuccessful payment accompanying an application.

(8) In this rule —

“authorised dealer” means a person who is appointed to sell a vehicle in Singapore under a distributorship agreement with the manufacturer of the vehicle;

“batch type-approval” means approval given by the Registrar in respect of a vehicle or a batch of vehicles upon his determination that the vehicle or all the vehicles in the batch are of a type which —

(*a*) complies with the applicable relevant Rules; or

(*b*) in the case of a vehicle referred to in paragraph (5)(*a*), complies with all other provisions of the applicable relevant Rules other than the provisions referred to in that paragraph;

“modified type-approval” means approval given by the Registrar in respect of a model of a vehicle which is modified after being type-approved or a vehicle of which any part is manufactured in Singapore after the model of the vehicle has been type-approved upon his determination that the modified model or the vehicle is of a type which —

(*a*) complies with the applicable relevant Rules; or

(*b*) in the case of a vehicle referred to in paragraph (5)(*a*), complies with all other provisions of the applicable relevant Rules other than the provisions referred to in that paragraph;

“new vehicle” means a motor vehicle or trailer which has not been registered under the Act;

“relevant Rules” means the following Rules:

- (a) rule 3 of the Road Traffic (Carriage of Persons in Goods Vehicles) (Consolidated) Rules (R 1);
- (b) rules 16, 17, 18, 19, 42, 43(2), 44(2), 45, 45A, 45B and 45C of these Rules;
- (c) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Construction and Use) Rules (R 9);
- (d) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Lighting) Rules (R 10);
- (e) rules 15, 16, 18, 19 and 67 of the Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) Rules (R 14);
- (f) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Seat Belts) Rules (R 15);
- (g) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Rear and Side Markings) Rules (R 18);
- (h) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Speed Warning Device) Rules (R 19);
- (i) the Road Traffic (Motor Vehicles, Speed Limiters) Rules (R 39);

“type-approval” means approval given by the Registrar in respect of a model of a vehicle upon his determination that the model of the vehicle is of a type which —

- (a) complies with the applicable relevant Rules; or
- (b) in the case of a vehicle referred to in paragraph (5)(a), complies with all other provisions of the applicable relevant Rules other than the provisions referred to in that paragraph.”.

New rule 24A

3. The principal Rules are amended by inserting, immediately after rule 24, the following rule:

“Modification of registered vehicles