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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1974

ROAD TRAFFIC CODE AMENDMENT REGULATIONS (No. 5) 1995

Made by the Lieutenant-Governor and deputy of the Governor in Executive Council.

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the *Road Traffic Code Amendment Regulations (No. 5) 1995*.

Commencement

2. These regulations come into operation on 1 February 1996.

Principal regulations

3. In these regulations the *Road Traffic Code 1975** is referred to as the principal regulations.

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Regulation 503 repealed and a regulation substituted

4. Regulation 503 of the principal regulations is repealed and the following regulation is substituted —

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Restriction on use of right lane

- 503.** (1) In this regulation —

“**available lane**” means a lane that is not congested.

“**marked lane**” does not include —

- (a) a lane set aside exclusively for vehicles making a left or right turn;
- (b) a lane designated under these regulations as a peak lane;
- (c) a bus lane;
- (d) a bus-taxi lane;
- (e) a contra-flow bus lane; or
- (f) any other lane that is not for the use of general traffic on the carriageway;

“right lane”, in relation to 2 or more marked lanes that are available exclusively for vehicles travelling in the same direction, means the marked lane that is further or furthest to the right side of the carriageway.

(2) A driver of a vehicle that is being driven on a carriageway that has 2 or more marked lanes available exclusively for vehicles travelling in the same direction shall not drive the vehicle in the right lane except if there is a good reason for doing so.

(3) Good reasons for driving a vehicle in the right lane include the reasons that —

- (a) the driver wishes to drive at a speed at which it is lawful to drive and is prevented by slower traffic from doing so in another marked lane; or
- (b) because of traffic congestion it would be inconvenient to drive in another marked lane.

(4) Good reasons for driving a vehicle in the right lane do not include the reason that, in order to drive in another available lane, the driver would be required to manoeuvre the vehicle to fall in with other vehicles in that lane.

(5) The Board may, by notice published in the *Gazette* —

- (a) declare that this regulation does not apply to the driving of a vehicle on a carriageway described in the notice;
- (b) vary or revoke a previous notice under this subregulation.

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Regulation 1001 amended

5. Regulation 1001 (4) of the principal regulations is amended by deleting “or regulation 503”.

By Command of the Lieutenant-Governor and deputy of the Governor,

J. PRITCHARD, Clerk of the Council.