

# MOTOR VEHICLES REGULATIONS\*

- Citation. 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles Regulations.\*
- Commencement. 2. These Regulations shall commence on the ninth day of September, 1953.
- Interpretation. 3. In these Regulations the Principal Ordinance means the *Motor Vehicles Ordinance* 1949 as amended for the time being whether by any Ordinance or Regulations made under that Ordinance.
- Second Schedule to Principal Ordinance. 4. The Second Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following Schedule inserted in its stead:—

## “ THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

### SCALE OF FEES PAYABLE FOR REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, FOR LICENCES AND FOR EACH RENEWAL.

1. (1) Registration or renewal of registration of any motor vehicle (being a motor car, motor lorry, motor tractor, or public motor vehicle)—
- (a) Where the vehicle has pneumatic, semi-pneumatic rubber or super resilient tyres—
- (i) Motor car or public motor vehicle (other than a motor omnibus) at the rate of 2s. 9d. per half hundredweight of its weight;
  - (ii) Motor lorry or motor tractor—at the rate of 2s. 9d. per half hundredweight of its weight;
  - (iii) Motor omnibus—at the rate of 4s. 3d. per half hundredweight of its weight.
- (b) Where the vehicle has non-pneumatic or solid tyres—
- (i) Motor car or public motor vehicle (other than a motor omnibus) at the rate of 3s. 9d. per half hundredweight of its weight;
  - (ii) Motor lorry or motor tractor at the rate of 3s. 6d. per half hundredweight of its weight;
  - (iii) Motor omnibus—at the rate of 5s. 6d. per half hundredweight of its weight.

\* The Motor Vehicles Regulations, in force under the *Motor Vehicles Ordinance* 1949–1966, comprise the following Regulations:—

Year and Number	Date on which made	Date notified in Northern Territory Government Gazette	Date of Commencement
1953, No. 6 .. ..	9th September, 1953	16th September, 1953	(See r. 2 above)
1954, No. 11 .. ..	17th August, 1954 ..	25th August, 1954 ..	25th August, 1954
1961, No. 19 .. ..	4th October, 1961 ..	18th October, 1961 ..	1st November, 1961
1962, No. 6 .. ..	6th February, 1962 ..	21st February, 1962	1st May, 1962

Note 1.—Regulations 2 and 3 of Regulations 1954, No. 11, read as follows:—

“ 2. In these Regulations the Principal Ordinance means the *Motor Vehicles Ordinance* 1949 as amended for the time being whether by any Ordinance or Regulations made under that Ordinance.

“ 3. The Second Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting after sub-clause (2) of clause 1 the following sub-clauses:—

(2A.) In the case of a motor lorry or motor tractor owned by a grazier or farmer and used solely for the carting of his own produce, or requisites for his business and not let out on hire nor used to carry the goods of any other grazier or farmer, the rate shall be one-half of the rate which would, except for this sub-clause, be applicable under sub-clause (1) or (2) of this clause.

(2B.) In the case of a motor lorry owned by a person who is engaged on his own account and not in association with more than two (2) other persons in mining or in hunting or trapping buffaloes, crocodiles, kangaroos or dingoes and used solely for the purposes of his occupation, the rate shall be one-half of the rate which would, except for this sub-clause, be applicable under sub-clause (1) or (2) of this clause.”

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- (2) In the case of motor vehicles wholly manufactured within the Dominions the rates prescribed by this clause shall be reduced by 6d. per half hundred-weight.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything contained in this clause the amount of registration or renewal fee payable in respect of a motor tractor shall not in any case exceed Fifteen pounds.

	£	s.	d.
2. (1) Registration or renewal of registration of motor cycle (without side car)—			
(a) if wholly manufactured within the British Dominions ..	1	1	0
(b) if not wholly manufactured within the British Dominions	1	2	6
(2) Registration or renewal of registration of motor cycle (with side car)—			
(a) if wholly manufactured within the British Dominions ..	1	18	0
(b) if not wholly manufactured within the British Dominions	2	0	0

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*Note 2.*—The Second Schedule to the Motor Vehicles Ordinance was substituted by section 3 of the *Motor Vehicles Ordinance 1965* (No. 56 of 1965) with effect from 14th February, 1966.

*Note 3.*—Regulation 4 of Regulations 1962, No. 6, reads as follows:—

“4. The Fourth Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following clauses:—

19.—(1) The motor vehicle shall, unless the forward portion is so designed or constructed that it is capable of performing all the functions mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this sub-clause, have firmly affixed thereto a mudguard for each wheel on the foremost axle of the vehicle and each mudguard shall be so constructed and affixed that—

- (a) as far as practicable, it is capable of catching or deflecting downwards any stones, mud, water or other substance thrown upwards by the rotation of the wheels; and
- (b) either by itself or in conjunction with other components of the vehicle body chassis it is capable of preventing direct contact with the upper half of the wheel in forward collisions.

(2.) Paragraph (b) of the last preceding sub-clause does not apply in relation to motor cycles.

20.—(1) The motor vehicle or trailer shall have firmly affixed for each wheel on the rearmost axle a mudguard so constructed and affixed that it is capable as far as practicable of catching or deflecting downwards any stones, mud, water or other substance thrown upwards by the rotation of the wheels.

(2.) In the case of a motor cycle with a side car, such a mudguard shall also be firmly affixed for the wheel of the side car.

(3.) Where the motor vehicle is so constructed that the body or equipment thereon will catch or deflect downwards any stones, mud, water or other substance thrown upwards ahead of or above the wheel or wheels on the rearmost axle of the vehicle, it shall be deemed sufficient compliance with this clause if a semi-rigid splash shield of an approved type or a section only of mudguard is affixed at the rear of each wheel on the rearmost axle and that section complies with the height and width requirements specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of sub-clause (4.) of this clause.

(4.) Where mudguards are affixed to a motor lorry or trailer in compliance with this clause—

- (a) the width of each mudguard shall—
  - (i) be not less than the overall width of the wheel or wheels for which it is provided; and
  - (ii) be not less than 15 inches if the motor lorry or trailer has a body of the tray type, the width of which together with any equipment or loading thereon is 7 feet or more; and
- (b) each mudguard shall be affixed in such a position that, when the motor lorry or trailer is unladen, the height of the lowest edge of the mudguard, for the minimum width of mudguard specified in the last preceding paragraph, shall, when measured from the level on which the motor lorry or trailer stands, comply with one of the following conditions:—

- (i) where there is a hinged section of the mudguard or an approved flexible rubber or other composition extension affixed to the fixed portion of the mudguard in order to comply with the width requirement specified in sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (a) of this sub-clause, that height shall be not greater than the height of the centre of the wheel; and
- (ii) where there is no such hinged section or extension, that height shall be not greater than one-third of the horizontal distance of the lowest edge of the mudguard from a transverse vertical plane passing through the centres of the wheels on the rearmost axle.

(5.) This clause shall not apply to—

- (a) a motor vehicle trailer or semi-trailer the body of which in the opinion of the Registrar affords adequate protection against stones, mud, water or other substance being thrown upwards from the wheel or wheels on the rearmost axle of such vehicle;
- (b) a motor vehicle which is used solely for the purpose of hauling a trailer, semi-trailer or pole type trailer; or
- (c) a motor vehicle or trailer the body of which is such that in the opinion of the Registrar it is unnecessary or impracticable to provide a mudguard or mudguards.”

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	£	s.	d.
3. Registration or renewal of registration of any other motor vehicle —at the rate of 3s. 6d. per half hundredweight of its weight, but if the motor vehicle is wholly manufactured within the British Dominions—at the rate of 3s. per half hundredweight of its weight.			
4. (a) Licence or renewal of licence to drive any motor vehicle (except a motor cycle) .. .. .	0	10	0
(b) Where licence is in respect of a lorry with a carrying capacity in excess of one ton, a motor omnibus, a public hire car, a private hire car, a licensed goods motor vehicle or a motor vehicle licensed to carry workmen to and from their work, in addition ..	0	10	0
(c) Licence to ride a motor cycle .. .. .	0	5	0
5. Licence or renewal of licence to ply for hire in respect of—			
(i) Motor omnibus—			
(a) where registered under this Ordinance as a motor omni- bus .. .. .			No fee
(b) where not so registered .. .. .	2	0	0
(ii) Public hire car .. .. .	1	0	0
6. Licence or renewal of licence for use of motor car as a private hire car .. .. .	1	0	0
7. Licence or renewal of licence for the use of a motor vehicle for the carriage, for monetary or other material consideration, of work- men to and from their work .. .. .	2	0	0
8. Licence or renewal of licence for a motor vehicle to ply for hire for the carriage of goods .. .. .	1	0	0
9. Licence or renewal of licence to conduct a motor omnibus service ..	1	0	0
10. For use of one trader's plate .. .. .	1	0	0

Inspection  
fees.  
Added by  
1961, No. 19.

5. Where a person who is appointed to be an inspector but is not remunerated by the Commonwealth in his appointment as an inspector certifies after an inspection of a motor vehicle that the motor vehicle complies with such of the conditions specified in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Ordinance as are applicable to or in relation to the motor vehicle, the person at whose request the inspection is made shall pay to the inspector for the certificate such fee, being a fee not in excess of Twelve shillings and six pence, as the inspector demands.