

**GENERAL TRAFFIC (SHARED TRAFFIC ZONES)  
AMENDMENT ACT 1987 No. 7**

NEW SOUTH WALES



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**Act No. 7, 1987**

An Act to amend the General Traffic Act 1900 for the purposes of **enabling** public streets and parts of public streets to be designated as **shared traffic zones** and of regulating traffic within those zones, **and for other purposes**.  
[Assented to 3 March 1987]

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See also Motor Traffic (Shared Traffic Zones) Amendment Act 1987.

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BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the "General Traffic (Shared Traffic Zones) Amendment Act 1987".

**Commencement**

2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 shall commence on the date of assent to this Act.

(2) Except as provided by subsection (1), this Act shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

**Amendment of Act No. 8, 1900**

3. The General Traffic Act 1900 is amended in the manner set forth in Schedule 1.

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**SCHEDULE 1**

(Sec. 3)

**AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL TRAFFIC ACT 1900****(1) Long title—**

After "horses", insert "and other animals".

**(2) Section 4 (Interpretation)—**

**Definition of "Shared traffic zone"—**

After the definition of "Regulation", insert:

"Shared traffic zone" means a public street or part of a public street designated as a shared traffic zone in accordance with section 7A.

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## (3) Section 7A—

After section 7, insert:

**Shared traffic zones**

7A. (1) Where the Traffic Authority is of the opinion that it would be appropriate for the use of a specified public street or a specified part of a public street to be shared among pedestrian traffic, vehicular traffic and persons riding or otherwise having charge of horses or other animals so that no one form of traffic has a right of precedence over another form, the Traffic Authority may, by notice published in the Gazette, designate that street or part of a street as a shared traffic zone.

(2) The Traffic Authority may, from time to time, by notice published in the Gazette, vary or revoke a designation made under subsection (1).

(3) Without limiting the power of the Governor to make regulations under section 7, regulations may be made under that section for or with respect to—

- (a) the use of a shared traffic zone by pedestrian traffic, vehicular traffic and persons riding or otherwise having charge of horses or other animals;
- (b) the erection or placement of obstacles and other structures within such a zone, or on its perimeter for the purpose of marking its boundaries; and
- (c) the activities that may be carried on within such a zone.

(4) The provisions of this Act, the Motor Traffic Act 1909 and the regulations in force under either of those Acts, in so far as they relate to public streets and the use of public streets by pedestrian traffic, vehicular traffic or persons riding or otherwise having charge of horses or other animals, apply to a shared traffic zone except to the extent that those provisions are inconsistent with the provisions of regulations made under section 7 for the purposes of this section.

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SCHEDULE 1—*continued*AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL TRAFFIC ACT 1900—*continued*(4) Section 13D (**Traffic control signs**)—

## (a) Section 13D (1)—

After “section” where secondly occurring, insert “and a reference to a public street includes a reference to a public street or part of a public street for the time being designated as a shared traffic zone in accordance with section 7A”.

## (b) Section 13D (2)–(2B)—

Omit section 13D (2), insert instead:

(2) The Traffic Authority may, by notice in writing, give such a direction as, in its opinion, is necessary or desirable for the control of pedestrians, drivers or riders of vehicles or persons riding or otherwise having charge of horses or other animals on a specified public street or specified public streets.

(2A) A direction given under subsection (2) may be limited as to time, place or subject-matter.

(2B) The Traffic Authority may from time to time, by notice in writing, vary or revoke a direction given under subsection (2).

## (c) Section 13D (3), (3A)—

Omit section 13D (3), insert instead:

(3) A direction given under subsection (2) has effect only—

(a) while there is erected or displayed on or near, or marked on, the public street to which the direction relates a traffic control sign that is notice of the direction; or

(b) where the direction relates to a network of 2 or more public streets within a defined area—while there is erected or displayed on or near, or marked on, each of the public streets that provides access to that area a traffic control sign that is notice of the direction.

(3A) The fact that a direction given under subsection (2) relates to a network of public streets within a defined area does not preclude the erection or display of traffic control signs in accordance with subsection (3) (a).

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(d) Section 13D (5) (a)—

Omit “vehicles or horses upon”, insert instead “pedestrians, drivers and riders of vehicles, and persons riding or otherwise having charge of horses or other animals on”.

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