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TRAFFIC ACT 1909—REGULATION

(Relating to pedestrians crossing intersections diagonally)

NEW SOUTH WALES



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HIS Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of the Traffic Act 1909, has been pleased to make the Regulation set forth hereunder.

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Minister for Transport and
Minister for Roads.

Commencement

1. This Regulation commences on 1 October 1994.

Amendments

2. The General Traffic (Pedestrian) Regulations 1937 are amended by inserting at the end of Regulation 6 the following clauses:

(2) This Regulation does not prevent a person from crossing an intersection diagonally:

(a) if all vehicular traffic is stopped by traffic signals, or at the direction of a member of the Police Force, from passing through the intersection; and

(b) in a case where the traffic has been stopped by traffic signals, if the person commences the crossing while the word "Walk" (or a green symbol depicting a person walking) is continuously displayed by the signals in respect of every footcrossing at the intersection.

(3) In this Regulation, "diagonally" means from any point on one footcrossing to any point on another.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The object of this Regulation is to give a legal basis for the use of an intersection as a “scramble crossing” by pedestrians whenever the traffic lights (or traffic police) have stopped vehicle movement in every direction at the intersection. This means for example that pedestrians can cross diagonally instead of making two separate crossings.

This Regulation is made under section 3 (for example section 3 (1) (o1)) of the Traffic Act 1909.
