

Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Amendment (Number-plates) **Regulation 2000**

under the

Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Act 1997

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Act 1997.

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Explanatory note

The Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998 currently provides that the Roads and Traffic Authority:

- (a) may enter into an agreement with a registered operator of a registrable vehicle for the use of special number-plates, and
- (b) is to give a written notice to each registered operator of a registrable vehicle requiring the return of any vehicle number-plate on altering the distinguishing number of the registration.

The object of this Regulation is to amend the Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998 so as:

- to allow the Authority to enter into an agreement with any person that enables (a) that person to use a specified combination of numbers on special numberplates, and
- (b) to enable the Authority to give a written notice to each registered operator of a registrable vehicle requiring the return of any vehicle number-plate before it alters the distinguishing number of the registration.

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Explanatory note

This Regulation is made under the *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Act 1997*, including section 14 (1) (the general regulation-making power)

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Road Transport* (Vehicle Registration) Amendment (Number-plates) Regulation 2000.

2 Amendment of Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998

The *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998* is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

3 Notes

The explanatory note does not form part of this Regulation.

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(Clause 2)

[1] **Clause 18 Definitions**

Insert at the end of paragraph (a) of the definition of *plate holder*:

in the case of a special number-plate-a special plate (a1) holder within the meaning of clause 21, or

[2] Clause 21

Omit the clause. Insert instead:

21 Special number-plates

The Authority may enter into an agreement with any person (1)under which that person (referred to as a *special plate holder*) has an exclusive right to use, subject to the payment of any applicable gazetted fee, a specified combination of numbers on a special number-plate.

Note. A special number-plate is defined in the Dictionary to mean a number-plate with a number that is comprised of:

- one to 6 letters only, or (a)
- (b) one to 6 numbers only, or
- a combination of one or more letters with one or more numbers, (c) being a combination that does not exceed 6 letters and numbers, and:
 - that is not routinely issued by the Authority, or (i) (ii)
 - that the Authority has determined should be treated as a special number.
- (2) Such an agreement may be expressed to have effect indefinitely or for a definite period.
- (3) The rights exercisable by a special plate holder under such an agreement may not be assigned to any other person except with the approval of the Authority.
- (4) Clause 23 applies to a special number-plate in the same way as it applies to any other number-plate, despite the provisions of any agreement under this clause.

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[3] Clause 23 Authority may alter distinguishing number of registration

Insert "or before" after "On" in clause 23 (3).

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