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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, CHAP. 48:50

REGULATIONS

MADE BY THE MINISTER UNDER SECTION 100 OF THE MOTOR VEHICLES
AND ROAD TRAFFIC ACT

THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS, 2003

- Citation 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Regulations, 2003.
- Interpretation 2. In these Regulations, “the Regulations” means the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Regulations.
- Regulations amended 3. The Regulations are amended as follows:
- (a) in regulation 27—
- (i) by inserting the words “rental car, goods vehicle, omnibus, tractor” after the word “vehicle” in the second line of subregulation (1);
- (ii) in subregulation 1(e) by inserting the words “body number or VIN number” after the word “chassis”;
- (iii) by deleting the words “a transport officer” occurring in a line 17 of subregulation (1) and substituting the words “an examiner”;
- (iv) by deleting subregulation (3) and renumbering subregulations (4) to (12) as (3) to (11) respectively;
- (v) in regulation 27(3) as renumbered—
- A. by deleting the word “proprietor” and substituting the words “examiner”;
- B. by deleting the word “trailer” and substituting the words “motor cycle”; and
- (vi) by deleting subregulation (7) as renumbered;
- (vii) by inserting after subregulation (10) as renumbered the following new subregulations:
- “ (11) A registered owner of a private motor vehicle or motor cycle, public service motor vehicle, rental car, goods vehicle, omnibus or trailer who fails to produce the vehicle for

inspection or drives the vehicle without obtaining an inspection sticker and certificate in accordance with these Regulations commits an offence and is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of five thousand dollars.

(12) A person who uses an inspection sticker or an inspection certificate, without authorisation, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for one year and a fine of fifteen thousand dollars.”;

(b) in paragraph 27A—

- (i) by deleting paragraph *(b)* of subregulation (2);
- (ii) by inserting after subregulation (1) the following new subregulation:

“ (1 *a*) A person who desires to become an examiner shall apply to the Transport Commissioner.”;

(ba) in regulation 27B—

- (i) by inserting after the word “vehicles” occurring in subregulation (1) the words “for a period of one year”;
- (ii) by inserting after subregulation (2) the following new subregulations:

“ (3) An application for the renewal of authorisation to carry out inspections may be made no more than one month before the expiration of the authorisation.

(4) A person who fails to apply for the renewal of authorisation prior to the expiration of the period of authorisation, shall submit forthwith to the Licensing Authority all—

- (a)* unused inspection stickers;
- (b)* unused inspection certificates;
- (c)* check lists; and
- (d)* monthly returns.

(5) A person who fails to comply with subregulation (4) commits an offence and is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of five thousand dollars.

(6) A proprietor or examiner who conducts inspections of motor vehicles for the purpose of these Regulations without the required authorisation commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for one year and a fine of twenty thousand dollars.

(7) A person guilty of an offence under subregulation (6) shall, in addition to the penalty stipulated for the offence therein, be required to re-imburse any fee paid by a motorist whose motor vehicle had been inspected by him during the period he was not authorised to inspect motor vehicles.

(8) A motorist whose vehicle was inspected by an unauthorised examiner shall, within thirty days of being informed by the Licensing Authority that his inspection was invalid, have his vehicle inspected in accordance with these Regulations.”;

- (c) in regulation 27C(1)(a) by deleting the words “carry out” and substituting the word “arrange”;
- (d) in regulation 27C(1)(c)—
 - (i) by deleting the words “give notice to the Licensing Authority at the sub-office in which is situated the vehicle testing station of that proprietor of” and substituting the words “supply the Licensing Authority with”; and
 - (ii) by deleting the words “and every such notice” and substituting the words “such names”;
- (e) in regulation 27E(1) by deleting the words “at the office of the traffic area in which is situated the vehicle testing station specified in the authorisation ceasing to have effect”;
- (f) in regulation 27F—
 - (i) in subregulation (5) by deleting the word “proprietor” and substituting the word “examiner”; and
 - (ii) in subregulation (6) by deleting the words “a proprietor” and substituting the words “an examiner”;
- (g) in regulation 27G—
 - (i) in paragraph (a)—
 - A. by deleting the word “application” and substituting the word “applicant”;

- B. by deleting the words “chassis or”; and
- C. by deleting the word “manufacture” and substituting the word “manufacturer”;
- (ii) in paragraphs (c) and (d) by deleting the word “inspector” and substituting the words “transport officer”; and
- (iii) in paragraph (e)—
 - A. by deleting the word “proprietor” and substituting the word “examiner”; and
 - B. by deleting the word “inspector” and substituting the words “transport officer”;
- (h) in regulation 27I—
 - (i) in subregulation (1) by deleting the words “a proprietor” and substituting the words “an examiner”; and
 - (ii) by deleting paragraph (b) of subregulation (4);
- (i) in regulation 27J(1)—
 - (i) by deleting the words “a proprietor” and substituting the words “an examiner”; and
 - (ii) by deleting the words “Licensing Authority” and substituting the words “Transport Officer”;
- (j) in regulation 27L(5)(b) by deleting the word “Minister” and substituting the words “Licensing Authority”;
- (k) in regulation 27M—
 - (i) by deleting the words “and designated councils” from the marginal note;
 - (ii) by deleting the word “Minister” wherever it occurs and substituting the words “Licensing Authority”;
 - (iii) by deleting the word “Save” and substituting the word “Except”;
 - (iv) by deleting the word “said”;
 - (v) by deleting the words “the feat” in paragraph (b);
 - (vi) by renumbering regulation 27M as regulation 27M(1) and by inserting the following new subregulation after subregulation (1) as numbered:
 - “ (2) Where the Licensing Authority has issued a certificate after a successful appeal, the proprietor shall refund to the Authority the costs of such appeal.”;
- (l) by deleting regulation 27N(6);
- (m) in regulation 27O—
 - (i) by deleting the word “Minister” wherever it occurs and substituting the words “Licensing Authority”; and

- (ii) by deleting the word “save” and substituting the word “except”;
- (n) in regulation 27P(2) by deleting the word “fourteen” and substituting the word “seven”;
- (o) in regulation 38, Rule 17 by deleting the word “by” in line 6 and substituting the word “to”;
- (p) by deleting regulation 83;
- (q) in the Sixth Schedule—
 - (i) by renumbering paragraph 4 as paragraph 4(1) and inserting the following subparagraph (2):
 - “ (2) A person who fails to submit a return in accordance with subparagraph (1)(h) is required to pay a fine of one thousand dollars.”;
 - (ii) by deleting subparagraph (1)(b) as renumbered;
 - (iii) by deleting the word “April” occurring in paragraph 9(e) and substituting the word “May”.

Made this 20th day of February, 2003.

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Minister of Transport

Approved in the Senate this 11th day of March, 2003.

D. DOLLY
Clerk of the Senate

Approved in the House of Representatives this 14th day of March, 2003.

J. SAMPSON-JACENT
Clerk of the House