



Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Rule 2010

Pursuant to the Land Transport Act 1998, the Minister of Transport makes the following ordinary rule.

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Rule

- 1 Title**
This rule is the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Rule 2010.
- 2 Commencement**
This rule comes into force on 1 April 2010.
- 3 Principal rule amended**
This rule amends the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999.

4 Objective of rule

A statement of the objective of this rule is set out in Schedule 1.

5 Consultation

A statement on the extent of the consultation carried out under section 161(2) of the Land Transport Act 1998 (the **Act**) in relation to this rule is set out in Schedule 2.

6 Schedule 3 amended

- (1) Paragraph (b)(ii) of the item relating to Class 1 licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 18 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 18 000 kg”.
 - (2) Paragraph (c) of the item relating to Class 1 licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 18 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 18 000 kg”.
 - (3) Paragraph (a) of the item relating to Classes 2 and 2L licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 18 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 18 000 kg”.
 - (4) Paragraph (e) of the item relating to Classes 2 and 2L licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 18 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 18 000 kg”.
 - (5) Paragraph (b) of the item relating to Class 2 licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 18 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 18 000 kg”.
 - (6) The item relating to Classes 3 and 3L licences in Schedule 3 is amended by omitting “less than 25 001 kg” and substituting “not more than 25 000 kg”.
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Schedule 1

Objective of rule

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The objective of this rule is to amend the principal rule by making minor adjustments to the weight limits for vehicles driven on some classes of driver licence. These changes are intended to make the provisions of the rule easier to understand and comply with, and will not disadvantage any drivers.

Schedule 2

Consultation carried out under section 161(2) of Act

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For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the principal rule and 8 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single draft rule, Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2009 (the **draft Omnibus Amendment Rule**).

On 13 November 2009, the New Zealand Transport Agency (**NZTA**) sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 1 800 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Land Transport Rules to be amended. The draft Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZTA Contact Centre and, together with questions and answers, was also available on the NZTA Internet site. The availability of the draft for comment was publicised in the metropolitan daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin, in selected regional daily newspapers, and in the *Gazette*. NZTA received 257 submissions on the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 7 commented on the proposed requirements in this rule.

Following consultation, the provisions in the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into 9 separate amendment rules, including this rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in drafting this rule before it was submitted to the Minister of Transport for signing.

Dated at Wellington this 22nd day of February 2010.

Steven Joyce,
Minister of Transport.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the rule, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This rule, which comes into force on 1 April 2010, amends the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999 (the **principal rule**).

The rule makes minor drafting amendments to Schedule 3 of the principal rule, which relates to classes of driver licence. The amendments make the expression of the weight limitations in respect of certain motor vehicles consistent.

This rule is an ordinary rule made under the Land Transport Act 1998.

The objective of the rule is set out in *Schedule 1*.

The statement of consultation carried out in relation to the rule is set out in *Schedule 2*.

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This rule is administered by the Ministry of Transport.
