

No. 23 of 1974

AN ORDINANCE

Relating to Motor Traffic.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1973*.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of June, 1974.

PAUL HASLUCK
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

GORDON M. BRYANT
Minister of State for the Capital Territory.

MOTOR TRAFFIC ORDINANCE (No. 3) 1974

1. (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Motor Traffic Ordinance (No. 3) 1974*.*

Short title
and citation.

(2) The *Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936-1973*,† as amended by the *Motor Traffic Ordinance 1974*‡ and the *Motor Traffic Ordinance (No. 2) 1974*,§ is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3) Section 1 of the *Motor Traffic Ordinance (No. 2) 1974* is amended by omitting sub-section (4).

(4) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936-1974*.

2. Section 4 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

Interpre-
tation.

(a) by omitting from the definition of "dipped" in sub-section (1) the words "twenty-five feet" and substituting the figures and word "7.50 metres";

* Notified in the *Australian Government Gazette* on 1 July 1974.

† Ordinance No. 45, 1936, as amended by Nos. 25 and 41, 1938; No. 16, 1941; No. 14, 1942; Nos. 2 and 13, 1943; No. 3, 1945; Nos. 6 and 13, 1947; No. 7, 1950; No. 17, 1951; Nos. 1 and 7, 1955; No. 6, 1956; No. 19, 1957; Nos. 10 and 15, 1958; Nos. 7 and 21, 1959; No. 11, 1960; Nos. 16 and 17, 1962; No. 21, 1963; No. 8, 1964; Nos. 9 and 13, 1965; No. 19, 1966; No. 2, 1968; Nos. 27 and 29, 1969; No. 27, 1970; Nos. 13, 17, 37 and 39, 1971; Nos. 3 and 10, 1972; and Nos. 1, 32, 38, 41, 42 and 57, 1973.

‡ Ordinance No. 4, 1974.

§ Ordinance No. 12, 1974.

- (b) by omitting from the definition of "headlamp" in sub-section (1) the words "eighty feet" and substituting the figures and word "25 metres";
- (c) by omitting from the definition of "reflector" in sub-section (1) the words "one hundred and fifty feet" and substituting the figures and word "50 metres"; and
- (d) by omitting from the definition of "the Lake Burley Griffin foreshores" in sub-section (1) the words "one hundred yards" and substituting the figures and word "100 metres".

Design rules. 3. Section 7A of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

"(7) Where, in a design rule referred to in Part II of the Second Schedule as in force immediately before the date of commencement of the *Motor Traffic Ordinance (No. 3) 1974*, there is a reference to a measurement, or unit of measurement, of a physical quantity, being a measurement or unit of measurement that is referred to in the design rule known as "Australian Design Rules—Metrication", that reference shall be read as a reference to the equivalent measurement, or unit of measurement, as the case may be, ascertained in accordance with the last-mentioned design rule.

4. Section 140 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the definition of "speed limit sign" and substituting the following definition:—

"'speed limit sign' means a traffic sign inscribed with figures within a red circle;".

Speeds regulated by signs.

5. Section 144 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting the words "traffic sign inscribed with the words 'SPEED LIMIT ENDS'" and substituting the words "de-restricting sign";
- (b) by omitting the word "miles" and substituting the word "kilometres"; and
- (c) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

"(2) In sub-section (1), 'de-restricting sign' means—

- (a) a traffic sign inscribed with the words 'SPEED LIMIT ENDS'; or
- (b) a traffic sign bearing a black circle with a straight black diagonal line bisecting the circle, being a line commencing in the lower left quadrant of the circle."

6. Section 145 of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section substituted:—

“145. A person shall not drive upon a public street a motor vehicle the laden weight of which exceeds 3 tonnes, being a motor vehicle other than a motor omnibus, at a speed exceeding the maximum speed ascertained according to the laden weight of the motor vehicle and the location of the public street in the following table:—

Speed limits
for heavy
vehicles.

Laden weight of motor vehicle	Maximum Speed	
	In the City Area	Elsewhere
	Kilometres per hour	Kilometres per hour
Exceeding 3 tonnes but not exceeding 7 tonnes	50	80
Exceeding 7 tonnes but not exceeding 13 tonnes	40	60
Exceeding 13 tonnes	40	50

7. The First Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting clause 1 and substituting the following clause:—

Amendment
of the First
Schedule.

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“ 1. (1) Registration or renewal of registration of a motor vehicle, being a motor car, motor lorry, motor tractor or public motor vehicle:—

(a) motor car or public motor vehicle (other than a motor omnibus)—a fee calculated at the rate of 70 cents per 25.4 kilograms of its weight;

(b) motor lorry—

(i) of weight not exceeding 2,032 kilograms—
a fee calculated at the rate of 70 cents per
25.4 kilograms of its weight;

(ii) of weight exceeding 2,032 kilograms but
not exceeding 4,064 kilograms—a fee cal-
culated at the rate of 85c per 25.4 kilo-
grams of its weight;

(iii) of weight exceeding 4,064 kilograms—a
fee calculated at the rate of one dollar per
25.4 kilograms of its weight;

(c) motor omnibus—a fee calculated at the rate of
one dollar per 25.4 kilograms of its weight;

(d) motor tractor—

(i) where the tractor is owned by a farmer and
used solely for the carting of his own
produce and not let out on hire .. 4.00

(ii) in any other case 20.00

“ (2) In the case of a motor lorry owned by a farmer and used solely for the carting of his own produce and not let out on hire, the fee payable for the registration of the motor lorry is an amount equal to one-half of the fee that would, but for this sub-clause, be payable.”

Amendments
of the
Second
Schedule.

8. (1) The Second Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting from sub-paragraph 8A (3) (a) (i) of Part I the figures and word "1/16 inch" and substituting the figures and word "1.50 millimetres";
- (b) by omitting from paragraph 8A (3) (b) of Part I the figures and word "1/16 inch" and substituting the figures and word "1.50 millimetres";
- (c) by omitting from clause 13 of Part I the figures and words "8 feet 2½ inches" and substituting the figures and word "2.50 metres"; and
- (d) by omitting from clause 17 of Part I the words "one inch" and substituting the figures and word "25 millimetres".

(2) The Second Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting from item 3 of Part II the words "ten thousand pounds" and substituting the figures and word "4.50 tonnes";
- (b) by omitting from item 5 of Part II the words "ten thousand pounds" and substituting the figures and word "4.50 tonnes";
- (c) by omitting from item 19 of Part II the figures and letters "10,000 lb" and substituting the figures and word "4.50 tonnes"; and
- (d) by omitting from item 20 of Part II the words "ten thousand pounds" and substituting the figures "4.50 tonnes".

Metric units
of measure.

9. The Principal Ordinance is further amended as set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Section 9

Provision amended	Omit—	Insert—
Paragraph 7A (2) (b)	exceeding ten thousand pounds exceeds ten thousand pounds	exceeding 4.50 tonne exceeds 4.50 tonnes
Paragraph 9 (1) (a)	two tons	2 tonnes
Paragraph 9 (4) (b)	five and three-quarter inches	155 millimetres
Paragraph 9 (5) (b)	five and three-quarter inches	155 millimetres
Paragraph 10 (2) (a)	two tons	2 tonnes
Sub-section 14 (2)	half hundredweight	25.4 kilograms
Sub-section 48 (1)	horse-power	engine power
Sub-section 94 (1)	horse-power	engine power
Section 133	TONS tons	TONNES tonnes
Paragraph 136 (3) (c)	two hundred feet	60 metres
Paragraph 136 (10) (a)	one hundred feet	30 metres
Paragraph 136 (10) (b)	one hundred feet	30 metres
Sub-section 139E (7)	forty-seven degrees centigrade fifty-three degrees centigrade	47 degrees Celsius 53 degrees Celsius

Provision amended	Omit—	Insert—
Section 141	fifteen miles	20 kilometres
Section 143	thirty-five miles	60 kilometres
Section 146	forty miles	70 kilometres
Section 147	fifteen miles	20 kilometres
Paragraph 147c (2) (a)	eighty-seven feet nine inches	24.929 metres
	eight-eight feet three inches	25.071 metres
Paragraph 158 (c)	three feet	1 metre
Paragraph 158 (h)	twenty feet	6 metres
Paragraph 158 (j)	twenty feet	6 metres
Paragraph 158 (k)	fifty feet	15 metres
Sub-section 164 (2)	twenty feet	6 metres
Sub-section 164A (1)	ten thousand pounds	4.50 tonnes
Paragraph 164b (1) (d)	fifteen miles	20 kilometres
Paragraph 176 (4) (a)	two tons	2 tonnes
Paragraph 176 (4) (c)	two tons	2 tonnes
Paragraph 176 (4) (f)	five and three-quarter inches	155 millimetres
Paragraph 182 (1) (b)	two hundred yards	200 metres
Paragraph 182 (1) (ba)	twenty yards	18 metres
Paragraph 182 (1A) (a)	candle power	candela
Sub-paragraph 182 (1A) (b) (i)	four feet six inches	1.40 metres
Sub-paragraph 182 (2) (a) (i)	two feet	600 millimetres
Paragraph 182 (2) (b)	two hundred yards	200 metres
	twenty yards	18 metres
Sub-section 182 (3)	two hundred yards	200 metres
Sub-paragraph 183 (1) (a) (i)	three feet six inches	1.10 metres
Sub-paragraph 183 (1) (a) (ii)	five feet	1.50 metres
Paragraph 183 (1) (b)	seven feet	2.2 metres
	nine inches	250 millimetres
Paragraph 183 (1) (c)	seven feet	2 metres
	sixteen inches	410 millimetres
Paragraph 185 (2) (a)	two hundred yards	200 metres
Paragraph 185 (2) (c)	twenty inches	510 millimetres
Sub-section 185 (4)	two hundred yards	200 metres
Paragraph 186 (a)	twelve feet	3.50 metres
Sub-section 190 (1)	eight feet two and one-half inches	2.50 metres
Paragraph 190A (3) (a)	twenty-five miles per hour	40 kilometres per hour
Sub-paragraph 191 (3) (a) (ii)	four inches	100 millimetres
	six inches	150 millimetres
Section 208	one inch	25 millimetres