

# AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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## Motor Traffic (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 2) 1984

### No. 15 of 1984

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

Dated 18 May 1984.

N. M. STEPHEN  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

TOM UREN  
Minister of State for Territories and Local Government

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An Ordinance to amend the *Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936*

#### Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Motor Traffic (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 2) 1984*.<sup>1</sup>

#### Commencement

2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on such date as is fixed by the Minister of State for Territories and Local Government by notice in the *Gazette*.

#### Principal Ordinance

3. In this Ordinance, "Principal Ordinance" means the *Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936*.<sup>2</sup>

**Interpretation**

4. Section 112K of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end of sub-section (1) the following definition:

“ ‘roundabout’ means a junction or intersection of public streets, or that part of a junction or intersection of public streets, that is designed for the movement of traffic in a clockwise direction around a traffic island located within the junction or intersection.”.

**Motorist to give way to vehicles on his right at intersections**

5. Section 122 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by inserting in paragraph (a) “, or has entered,” after “is approaching”; and
- (b) by inserting in paragraph (b) “, or has entered,” after “is approaching”.

**Give way signs**

6. Section 124 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting paragraph (1) (a) and substituting the following paragraphs:
  - “(a) a motor vehicle upon a public street is approaching, or has entered, a junction or intersection of that public street and another public street;
  - (aa) the junction or intersection is a junction or intersection at, near or within which there is erected a traffic sign bearing the words ‘GIVE WAY’ and facing in the direction from which the motor vehicle is approaching, or entered, the junction or intersection;” and
- (b) by inserting in paragraph (1) (b) “, or has entered,” after “is approaching”.

7. After section 124 of the Principal Ordinance the following section is inserted:

**Give way rule to be observed at roundabouts**

“12A. Where—

- (a) a motor vehicle upon a public street is approaching a roundabout at or near which there is erected a ROUNDABOUT sign facing in the direction from which the motor vehicle is approaching;
- (b) another vehicle is being driven within the roundabout and is approaching that motor vehicle from the right; and
- (c) the circumstances are such that there is a reasonable possibility that the vehicles might collide or that a dangerous situation might otherwise be created,

the driver of the motor vehicle referred to in paragraph (a) shall allow the other vehicle to pass in front of him.”.

**Stop signs**

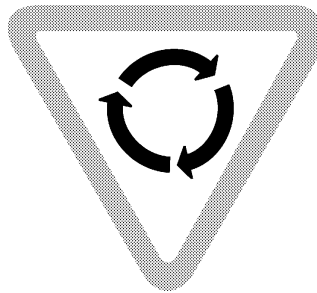
8. Section 128 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (1) (b) “at or near the junction” and substituting “at, near or within the junction”;
- (b) by inserting in paragraph (2) (a) “or after entering” after “approaching”;
- (c) by inserting in paragraph (2) (b) “, or has entered,” after “approaching”; and
- (d) by omitting from paragraph (2) (c) “into the intersection” and substituting “into, or were to proceed further within, the junction or intersection”.

**Schedule 4**

9. Schedule 4 to the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following item:

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**ROUNDAABOUT**

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**NOTES**

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 25 May 1984.
2. No. 45, 1936 as amended to date. For previous amendments *see* Note 2 to No. 1, 1984 and *see also* No. 1, 1984.