

#### WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

**PURSUANT** to sections 152 and 155(b) of the Land Transport Act 1998, and after having had regard to the criteria specified in section 164(2) of that Act

**I, Craig Foss,** Associate Minister of Transport, make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting Amendment 2015

**SIGNED** at Wellington

This 22 al day of 508 2015

Hon Craig Foss

Associate Minister of Transport

Land Transport Rule
Vehicle Lighting Amendment 2015

Rule 32005/10

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#### Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting Amendment 2015 (the amendment Rule) amends Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting 2004 (the Vehicle Lighting Rule). The Vehicle Lighting Rule specifies safety requirements and standards for lighting equipment that is fitted to a vehicle, to enable it to be operated safely under all driving conditions and not endanger the safety of other road users.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to:

- replace a reference to Land Transport New Zealand with a reference to the New Zealand Transport Agency;
- clarify that forward-facing side-marker lamps fitted to vehicles manufactured on or after
   1 January 2006 must emit light that is substantially amber;
- amend the description of the width of a heavy motor vehicle in relation to end-outline marker lamps so that it aligns with other similar descriptions in the Vehicle Lighting Rule and overseas standards.

#### Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the Vehicle Lighting Rule and two other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2015* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule). Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into three separate amendment Rules.

The NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 1405 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended.

The Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZ Transport Agency's Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also available on the NZ Transport Agency's website. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

The NZ Transport Agency received 12 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which five commented on the proposed amendments to the Vehicle Lighting Rule. The submissions received were taken into account in finalising the amendment Rule following which it was submitted to the Associate Minister of Transport for signing.

## Section 1 Application

#### 1.1 Title

This Rule is Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting Amendment 2015.

#### 1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 November 2015.

#### 1.3 Scope of Rule

This Rule amends Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting 2004.

# Section 2 Amendments to Rule requirements

#### 2.1 Objective of the Rule

Under "Material incorporated by reference" replace "Land Transport New Zealand" with "New Zealand Transport Agency" in both places in which it occurs.

### 2.2 Safety requirements for position lamps

After *clause 7.2(3)*, insert:

- "7.2(4) The light emitted from a forward-facing side-marker lamp must be diffuse light that is substantially white or amber on vehicles manufactured before 1 January 2006.
- "7.2(5) The light emitted from a forward-facing side-marker lamp must be diffuse light that is substantially amber on vehicles manufactured on or after 1 January 2006."

# 2.3 Fitting and performance requirements for end-outline marker lamps

- 2.3(1) In *clause 7.6(8),* replace "exceeds 1.8 m in overall width" with "is 1.8 m or more in overall width".
- 2.3(2) In *clause 7.6(9)*, replace "exceeds 1.8 m in overall width" with "is 1.8 m or more in overall width".