

WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

PURSUANT to sections 152 and 155(b) of the Land Transport Act 1998

I, Simon Bridges, Associate Minister of Transport,

HEREBY make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 25th day of September 2012



Simon Bridges

Associate Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting

Amendment 2012 amends *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting 2004* ('the Vehicle Lighting Rule'), which sets out the requirements for the lighting equipment fitted to vehicles.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to:

- relax the requirement for forklifts to fit certain lamps by allowing these as optional;
- remove the requirement for two rearward-facing end-outline marker lamps on heavy motor vehicles (other than trailers) that exceed 2.1 m in width;
- allow medical response vehicles used by the New Zealand Defence Force to be fitted with red beacons and to update the definition of 'Defence Force emergency vehicle' in the Rule with the current name of the Force Protection Branch of the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the Vehicle Lighting Rule and nine other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2012* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule).

On 17 May 2012, the NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2500 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 made 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 27 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 13 commented on the proposed amendments to the Vehicle Lighting Rule.

Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into 10 separate amendment Rules, including this Rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in finalising this Rule before 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 2012*.

1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 November 2012.

1.3 Scope of Rule

This Rule amends *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Lighting 2004*.

Section 2 Amendments to Rule requirements

2.1 Fitting and performance requirements for direction-indicator lamps

2.1(1) In *clause 6.3(5)*, delete “or a forklift”.

2.1(2) In *clause 6.3(6)*, delete “or a forklift”.

2.1(3) In *clause 6.3(6A)*, delete “, or a forklift”.

2.1(4) In *clause 6.3(10)*, delete “, or a forklift”.

2.2 Fitting and performance requirements for end-outline marker lamps

In *clause 7.6(6)*, delete “, and two rearward-facing”.

Section 3 Amendment to Definitions

3.1 Amendment to Part 2 Definitions

In *Part 2 Definitions*, replace the definition of 'Defence force emergency vehicle', with:

"Defence Force emergency vehicle means a vehicle that is:

- "(a) operated by the Royal New Zealand Navy Naval Police, the New Zealand Army Military Police, or the Force Protection Branch of the Royal New Zealand Air Force; or
- "(b) an improvised explosive device disposal (IEDD) response vehicle; or
- "(c) a medical response vehicle operated by the New Zealand Defence Force".

Section 4 **Amendment to Schedules**

4.1 **Amendment to *Schedule 3***

In *Schedule 3*, after *paragraph (b)*, insert:

“(i) forklifts.”.