

**Statutory Instrument No. 71 of 1969**

**THE MOTOR VEHICLE AND ROAD TRAFFIC PROCLAMATION (CHAPTER 168)**

**THE MOTORLESS VEHICLES LIGHTS REGULATIONS, 1969**

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In the exercise of the powers vested in him by section 54 read with section 49(1) of the Motor Vehicle and Road Traffic Proclamation (Chapter 168) His Excellency the President makes the following regulations —

**Citation**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Motorless Vehicles Lights Regulations, 1969.

**Lights on Pedal Cycles**

2. No person shall ride, push or otherwise operate, or permit or cause to be operated or halted or parked, a pedal cycle upon a public road during the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise or at any other time when owing to fog or other circumstances visibility is diminished to 150 feet or less unless such pedal cycle is fitted —

(a) in front with a lamp displaying a bright white light the intense part of the beam of which shall strike the roadway at a distance of not less than ten feet and not more than one hundred feet ahead of such pedal cycle; and

(b) at the rear with a lamp emitting a red light directly to the rear;

Provided that —

(i) a light to the front need not be displayed if the cycle is being wheeled by a person on foot as near as possible to the left hand edge of the carriageway, or if it is stationary owing to exigencies of traffic or in order to comply with a traffic signal or direction and is as near as possible to the left hand edge of the carriageway;

(ii) a rear lamp is not required if the cycle be fitted with an unobscured and efficient rear reflector emitting a red reflection of light cast upon it by vehicles approaching from the rear.

**Lights on Animal-Drawn Vehicles**

3. (1) No person shall operate or permit or cause to be operated or halted or parked upon a public road during the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise or at any other time when owing to fog or other circumstances visibility is diminished to 150 feet or less any vehicle drawn by an animal or animals unless the vehicle is fitted —

(a) in front, on the extreme right side thereof with a lamp showing a white light forward and, in the case of a vehicle which is being drawn by an animal or animals which is or are not controlled by reins, unless at the head of the foremost animal or animals a person guiding and controlling such animal or animals is provided, who shall carry a lamp showing a white light forward; and

(b) at the rear with a lamp emitting a red light directly to the rear.

(2) The provisions of this regulation requiring lamps to be fitted shall apply in respect of a halted or parked vehicle albeit the animal or animals by which it has been drawn has or have been detached from it.

#### **Lights on Other Motorless Vehicles**

4. No person shall operate or permit or cause to be operated or halted or parked upon a public road during the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise or at any other time when owing to fog or other circumstances visibility is diminished to 150 feet or less any vehicle, not being a motor vehicle, which is not otherwise provided for in these regulations unless it is fitted —

- (a) with at least one lamp showing a white light forward on the extreme right of the front thereof; and
- (b) at the rear with two lamps emitting a red light directly to the rear, which lamps shall be not less than twelve inches nor more than five feet from ground level.

#### **Circumstances in which Lights need not be Displayed**

5. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in regulations 2, 3 or 4, lights need not be displayed on a vehicle parked off the roadway or in a parking area indicated by a road traffic sign or signs, or within a distance of thirty feet from a lighted street lamp illuminating the public road upon which such vehicle is parked.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 4, no light to the front need be displayed on a vehicle being used as a trailer and attached to the rear of another vehicle from which it is separated by no more than 5 feet measured from the centre of the rear of such other vehicle to the centre of the front of the vehicle being used as a trailer.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 3 or 4 no light to the rear need be displayed on a vehicle having attached to its rear a trailer from which it is separated by no more than 5 feet measured from the centre of the rear of such vehicle to the centre of the front of the trailer.

#### **Offences and Penalties**

6. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of regulations 2, 3 or 4 shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction —

- (a) in respect of a first offence to a fine not exceeding twenty rand;
- (b) in respect of a second or subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding forty rand or to imprisonment without the option of a fine for a period not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

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