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MOTOR VEHICLE AND ROAD TRAFFIC PROCLAMATION
(CAP. 168)

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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by sections 32 and 54 of the Motor Vehicle and Road Traffic Proclamation, His Excellency the President has made the following regulations -

1. These regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic Signs, Signals and Markings (Amendment) Regulations, 1972.
2. Subregulation (5) of regulation 8 of the Road Traffic Signs, Signals and Markings Regulations, 1970 (hereinafter called the principal regulations) is amended by the deletion of the paragraph headed "No. 23" and the substitution therefor of the following new paragraph -

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"No. 23 - to indicate that vehicular traffic must stop. Where a stop-line on the road surface as referred to in regulation 15(4) is provided in conjunction with a stop-sign vehicular traffic must stop at and before crossing such stop-line and not proceed before it is safe to do so; where a stop-line is not so provided vehicular traffic shall stop before any part of the vehicle comes abreast of the position of a stop-sign erected on the side of the road to the left of the vehicle, and not proceed before it is safe to do so:

Provided, however, that when this sign is used in conjunction with a stop-line which does not extend the full width of the traffic lane nearest to the left-hand curb, filtration shall be permitted as in regulation 15(4) provided. The minimum height of the lettering of the legend on this sign shall be 8 inches."

3. The principal regulations are amended by the addition, immediately after regulation 16, of the following new regulation -

Addition of
new r.17 to
the principal
regulations

“Offences
and
penalties

17. (1) Any person driving any motor vehicle who contravenes any instruction or direction conveyed by any road traffic sign, signal or marking prescribed by these regulations, erected or placed and displayed in accordance with these regulations by a local authority, and maintained in a reasonably clear and legible condition, shall be guilty of an offence:

Provided that in any prosecution under this subregulation the sign, signal or marking concerned shall, until the contrary is proved, be presumed to have been so erected or placed and displayed and maintained:

Provided further that this subregulation shall not apply in respect of the contravention of instructions or directions conveyed in terms of section 34(4) of the Proclamation by signs warning the public of a maximum rate of speed.

(2) Any person who, except for causes beyond his control, the onus of proving which shall rest on him, in any public place for the parking of vehicles denoted by means of the provision of parking bays indicated in accordance with these regulations by white lines, keeps or leaves a vehicle, whether occupied or not, stationary for a period of time greater than is reasonably necessary for the actual loading or unloading of persons and goods shall be guilty of an offence if such vehicle while so kept or left is not placed wholly within the lines of a parking bay so indicated:

Provided that nothing in this subregulation shall relate to the use of loading zones:

Provided further that in any prosecution under this subregulation any vehicle left stationary in contravention of this subregulation shall, until the contrary is proved, be presumed to have been so left by the owner thereof.

(3) Any person who makes use of a loading zone demarcated in accordance with these regulations for any purpose other than the actual loading or unloading of goods on or from a vehicle placed wholly within such zone shall be guilty of an offence.

(4) Any person convicted of an offence under this regulation shall be liable --

- (a) in respect of a first offence to a fine of R20 or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for one month; and
- (b) in respect of a second or subsequent offence to a fine of R40 or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for three months, and to such imprisonment."

Dated the 6th January, 1972.

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