

# NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

## COMMERCIAL PASSENGER (ROAD) TRANSPORT (PASSENGER BUSES) REGULATIONS 1992

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### Regulations under the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Act 1991*

#### Part 1 Preliminary

##### 1 Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport (Passenger Buses) Regulations 1992*.

##### 2 Commencement

These regulations shall come into operation on the commencement of the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Act 1991*.

##### 3 Interpretation

In these regulations unless the contrary intention appears:

**bus** means a motor omnibus.

**bus stop** means a bus stop as defined under the *Traffic Act 1987*.

**driver** means the person driving or in control of a bus.

**operator** means a person who operates a bus otherwise than only as a driver.

**passenger** includes any person travelling on a bus other than the driver.

**ticket** includes a pass, voucher or other document that entitles a person to travel on a bus as a passenger.

## **Part 2                      Operators**

### **4                      Operator to keep records**

- (1) The operator of a bus must make a record of the following:
- (a) each bus operated by the operator;
  - (b) the name and residential address of each driver engaged or employed by the operator and the number of the driver's licence issued in relation to that person under the *Motor Vehicles Act 1949*;
  - (c) a general description of the route on which the bus was operated on each day it was operated; and
  - (d) any other matter that the Director requires as a condition of the operator's licence.

Maximum penalty:        60 penalty units.

- (2) The operator of a bus must ensure that the record mentioned in subregulation (1):
- (a) is kept in a safe place at the principal place of business of the operator; and
  - (b) is produced whenever required by an inspector.

Maximum penalty:        60 penalty units.

### **6                      Operator to supply information**

The operator of a bus shall whenever requested by the Director to do so furnish to the Director full and correct information of any kind that relates to journeys undertaken by a bus as is specified by the Director in the request.

Maximum penalty:        60 penalty units.

### **7                      Fares, timetables and notices**

- (1) The operator of a bus who provides a route service must make available to the Director, or any other person, on request the following information:
- (a) each route along which the bus is operated;
  - (b) the bus stops along each route;

- (c) the approximate times at which a bus will be available along each route;
  - (d) the fares payable by passengers;
  - (e) the class of bus provided for the route service.
- (2) The operator of a bus must amend any timetable issued for subregulation (1) whenever requested to do so by the Director.
- (3) The operator of a bus must paint in legible letters or display, in the manner the Director sees fit, in a conspicuous place on the inside and outside of the bus the particulars that the Director requires as to any of the following:
  - (a) the timetable for the bus;
  - (b) the fares payable by passengers;
  - (c) the route of the bus;
  - (d) the places or areas at or within which passengers may not be taken up or set down.

## **Part 3                      Conduct of drivers and passengers**

### **8                      Limitation on passengers**

The driver of a bus shall ensure that:

- (a) the number of passengers carried on a bus does not exceed the maximum number that is permitted to be carried on the bus;
- (b) a passenger is not carried in any part of the bus unless that part of the bus is designed to carry passengers.

### **12                    Illegal purposes**

The driver of a bus shall not use the bus for an illegal purpose or cause or permit the bus to be used for an illegal purpose.

## **Part 4                      Miscellaneous**

### **16                    Fees**

The fees set out in the Schedule are payable in relation to the matters specified in that Schedule.

**20       Offences**

A person who contravenes or fails to comply with a provision of these Regulations commits an offence.

Maximum penalty:       25 penalty units.

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**Schedule Fees**

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For issuing or renewing a licence 550

For each endorsement on a licence 66

For an application to extend the period of a declaration of a  
pioneer route 60

For an urban service area licence 60

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## ENDNOTES

### 1 KEY

Key to abbreviations

amd = amended  
 app = appendix  
 bl = by-law  
 ch = Chapter  
 cl = clause  
 div = Division  
 exp = expires/expired  
 f = forms  
 Gaz = Gazette  
 hdg = heading  
 ins = inserted  
 lt = long title  
 nc = not commenced

od = order  
 om = omitted  
 pt = Part  
 r = regulation/rule  
 rem = remainder  
 renum = renumbered  
 rep = repealed  
 s = section  
 sch = Schedule  
 sdiv = Subdivision  
 SL = Subordinate Legislation  
 sub = substituted

### 2 LIST OF LEGISLATION

***Passenger Bus Regulations (SL No. 56, 1992)***

Notified	21 October 1992
Commenced	21 October 1992

***Amendments of Passenger Bus Regulations (SL No. 60, 1998)***

Notified	23 December 1998
Commenced	1 January 1999 (r 1 and s 2 <i>Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Amendment Act 1998</i> (Act No. 83, 1998))

***Statute Law Revision Act 2003 (Act No. 12, 2003)***

Assent date	18 March 2003
Commenced	18 March 2003

***Amendments of Passenger Bus Regulations (SL No. 43, 2003)***

Notified	1 August 2003
Commenced	1 October 2003 (r 1)

***Passenger Bus Amendment (Inspector Powers) Regulations 2005 (SL No. 36, 2005)***

Notified	19 October 2005
Commenced	19 October 2005

***Public Transport (Passenger Safety) Act 2008 (Act No. 15, 2008)***

Assent date	18 June 2008
Commenced	18 July 2008 (Gaz S35, 18 July 2008)

***Fees and Charges (Transport) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SL No. 45, 2012)***

Notified	14 December 2012
Commenced	1 January 2013 (r 2)

***Penalties Amendment (Miscellaneous) Act 2013 (Act No. 23, 2013)***

Assent date	12 July 2013
Commenced	28 August 2013 (Gaz G35, 28 August 2013, p 2)



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**Commercial Passenger Vehicle Legislation Amendment Regulations 2016  
(SL No. 33, 2016)**

Notified	6 July 2016
Commenced	1 October 2016 (r 2)

**Commercial Passenger Vehicle Legislation Amendment Regulations 2017  
(SL No. 34, 2017)**

Notified	29 November 2017
Commenced	1 December 2017 (r 2)

**Transport Legislation Amendment Act 2025 (Act No. 23, 2025)**

Assent date	12 September 2025
Commenced	pts 2, 4, 5 and 6: 21 January 2026 ( <i>Gaz</i> S5, 19 January 2026); rem: 18 November 2025 ( <i>Gaz</i> S69, 17 November 2025)

### 3 GENERAL AMENDMENTS

General amendments of a formal nature (which are not referred to in the table of amendments to this reprint) are made by the *Interpretation Legislation Amendment Act 2018* (Act No. 22 of 2018) to: rr 1, 2, 3 and 4.

### 4 LIST OF AMENDMENTS

r 1	amd Act No. 23, 2025, s 66
r 4	amd No. 60, 1998, r 2; No. 34, 2017, r 46
r 5	rep No. 34, 2017, r 47
r 6	rep No. 34, 2017, r 48
r 7	sub No. 33, 2016, r 20
r 9	rep No. 34, 2017, r 48
r 10	amd Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
	rep No. 34, 2017, r 48
r 11	amd No. 36, 2005, r 3
	rep Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
r 13	rep Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
r 14	amd Act No. 12, 2003, s 19
	rep Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
r 15	rep Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
r 16	amd No. 60, 1998, r 3; No. 43, 2003, r 3
r 17	amd Act No. 12, 2003, s 19
	rep No. 34, 2017, r 48
r 18	rep Act No. 15, 2008, s 38
r 19	rep No. 34, 2017, r 48
r 20	amd Act No. 23, 2013, s 4
r 21	ins No. 60, 1998, r 4
	rep No. 43, 2003, r 4
sch	amd No. 60, 1998, r 5; No. 43, 2003, r 5; No. 45, 2012, r 10