

## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 42 of 1983

# AN ACT

To amend the Motor Vehicles Act

[Assented to 3 October 1983]

**B**E it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978 of the Commonwealth, as follows:

#### SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Motor Vehicles Amendment Act 1983.

#### COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

### PRINCIPAL ACT

The  ${\it Motor\ Vehicles\ Act}$  is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

#### 4. PROVISIONS FOR PERSONS LEARNING TO DRIVE

Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-sections (1) and (1A) and substituting the following:

"(1) The Registrar may grant a permit licence for a period not exceeding 3 months to a person who has attained the age of 16 years permitting that person to learn to drive a motor vehicle of a class specified in the permit licence.".

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#### 5. GRANTING OF LICENCES

Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended -

- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1) "(other than a motor omnibus or public or private hire car) of the class specified in the licence to any person who satisfies him that he is not less than 17" and substituting "(other than a motor omnibus, public or private hire car, or motor vehicle exceeding 4.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass) of the class specified in the licence to a person who satisfies him that he is not less than 16";
- (b) by omitting sub-section (1A);
- (c) by inserting in sub-section (4), after "or (3)", the words ", or exceeding 4.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass,"; and
- (d) by adding at the end the following:
- "(6) For the purposes of sub-sections (1) and (4), a motor vehicle is a motor vehicle exceeding 4.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass where the mass of the motor vehicle together with the mass of the maximum load that it is designed to carry exceeds 4.5 tonnes."