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Regulations under the Traffic Act

I, JOHN CHRISTOPHER ANICTOMATIS, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Traffic Act*.

Dated 1 August 2002.

J. C. ANICTOMATIS
Administrator

By His Honour's Command

K. VATSKALIS Minister for Transport and Infrastructure

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1. Principal Regulations

The Traffic Regulations are in these Regulations referred to as the Principal Regulations.

2. Interpretation

Regulation 3 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

(a) by inserting after the definition of "clearway" in subregulation (1) the following:

" 'emergency vehicle' means a motor vehicle that is -

- (a) the property of the Territory and in the control of the Police Force of the Northern Territory;
- (b) the property of the Territory and in the control of the Northern Territory Fire and Rescue Service, within the meaning of the Fire and Emergency Act;
- (c) the property of the Territory and in the control of a member, within the meaning of the *Disasters Act*, of the Northern Territory Emergency Service and being used for the purposes of that Act;
- (c) an ambulance;
- (d) the property of, or being used for the purposes of, the Australian Protective Service established under the Australian Protective Service Act 1987 of the Commonwealth, and in the control of the Australian Protective Service; or
- (e) authorized as an emergency vehicle under subregulation (4);"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following:
- "(4) The Registrar may in writing authorise a person, or a member of a class of persons, to use a vehicle or a type of vehicle as an emergency vehicle.
- "(5) An authorisation under subregulation (4) may be issued on the conditions, if any, that the Registrar thinks fit and specifies in the authorisation."

3. Persons to produce licence, give particulars

Regulation 9 of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting in subregulation (5) "or information under subregulation (2)" after "particulars".

4. Definitions

Regulation 11 of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting the definition of "provisional driver" and substituting the following:

- " 'provisional driver' means a person who is the holder of a licence that under section 10A of the *Motor Vehicles Act* is provisional but does not include
 - (a) a member of the Police Force;
 - (b) an ambulance officer;
 - (c) a member, within the meaning of the *Fire and Emergency*Act, of the Northern Territory Fire and Rescue Service;
 - (d) a member, within the meaning of the *Disasters Act*, of the Northern Territory Emergency Service; or
 - (e) a protective service officer, within the meaning of the *Australian Protective Service Act 1987* of the Commonwealth,

when driving a vehicle in the course of the person's duties.".

5. New regulation

The Principal Regulations are amended by inserting after regulation 16 in Part 2, Division 4 the following:

"16A. Prescribed lights for emergency vehicles

"For the purposes of the definition of 'emergency vehicle' in section 3(1) of the Act, the prescribed lights are intermittent red or blue, or intermittent red and blue, flashing lights."

6. Careless walking, driving or riding

Regulation 18 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

- (a) by omitting "A person must not walk, ride or drive a vehicle" and substituting "(1) A person must not walk, or drive a vehicle,"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following:

"(2) A person must not drive a vehicle in a disorderly manner on a road or public place.".

7. Officer of competent authority

Regulation 52 of the Principal Regulations is amended by inserting in subregulation (1) "(other than a contravention of rule 212 or 213)" after "parking infringement" (first reference).

8. Application of section 19(8) of the Act

Regulation 55 of the Principal Regulations is amended -

- (a) by omitting from subregulation (1)(b) "Service; or" and substituting "Service;";
- (b) by omitting from subregulation (1)(c) "Service," and substituting "Service; or"; and
- (c) by inserting after subregulation (1)(c) the following:
 - "(d) a protective service officer within the meaning of the Australian Protective Service Act 1987 of the Commonwealth,".

9. New regulations

The Regulations are amended by inserting after regulation 81 the following:

'81A. Goods vehicles in loading zones

"For the purposes of rule 179(1)(c), a vehicle designed primarily for the carriage of goods is permitted to stop in a loading zone.

'81B. Authorised persons

"The Director may appoint a person to be an authorised person for the purposes of the Australian Road Rules or a provision of the Australian Road Rules.

'81C. Meaning of emergency worker in Australian Road Rules

- "(1) In the Australian Road Rules, the following persons are emergency workers:
 - (a) a member of the Police Force;
 - (b) a member, within the meaning of the Fire and Emergency Act, of the Northern Territory Fire and Rescue Service;

- (c) a member, within the meaning of the *Disasters Act*, of the Northern Territory Emergency Service;
- (d) an ambulance officer or a person assisting an ambulance officer;
- (e) a protective service officer within the meaning of the Australian Protective Service Act 1987 of the Commonwealth;
- (f) a person authorized as an emergency worker under subregulation (2).
- "(2) The Registrar may in writing authorise a person or a class of persons to be an emergency worker for the purposes of the Australian Road Rules.
- "(3) An authorisation under subregulation (2) may be issued on the conditions, if any, that the Registrar thinks fit and specifies in the authorisation.".

10. Schedule 1

Schedule 1, item 23, column 1 to the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting "noise" and substituting "noise or smoke".