

Additional Regulations as to Motor-drivers' Licenses under the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 1925, page 2289.)

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington this 6th day of August, 1925.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Motor-vehicles Act, 1924 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the following additional regulations with respect to the licensing of drivers of motor-vehicles, and doth declare that these regulations shall form part of and be read together with the regulations made under the said Act on the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and published in the *Gazette* of the same date.

REGULATIONS.

1. (1.) In these regulations, the expression "the principal regulations" means the hereinbefore-recited regulations of the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

(2.) For the purposes of these regulations a vehicle shall be deemed to be plied for hire if in fact it is used for the carriage of passengers or goods for hire.

2. (1.) A motor-driver's license heretofore issued under the principal regulations shall not, after the expiration of one month from the date of these regulations, be deemed to authorize the holder thereof to drive any motor-vehicle that is plied for hire unless such driver's license is specially endorsed to that effect by an authorized officer of the local authority which issued the license to ply for hire (in the case of a vehicle that is licensed to ply for hire); or by an officer of the local authority in whose district the garage of the motor-vehicle is situated, in any other case.

(2.) A motor-driver's license hereafter issued under the principal regulations shall not be deemed to authorize the holder thereof to drive any motor-vehicle that is plied for hire unless such driver's license is specially endorsed to that effect by an authorized officer of the local authority which issued the license to ply for hire (in the case of a vehicle that is licensed to ply for hire); or by an officer of the local authority in whose district the garage of the motor-vehicle is situated, in any other case.

(3.) Before any motor-driver's license is endorsed with authority to drive a motor-vehicle that is plied for hire as aforesaid, the local authority shall cause to be made such inquiries as it thinks proper as to the character of the holder of the driver's license, and shall not endorse any license unless it is satisfied that the holder is a person of good character. The local authority may also cause to be made such other inquiries as it thinks fit with reference to the suitability of

the licensee to act as the driver of a motor-vehicle plied for hire, and may, if it thinks fit, apply to an officer of police for a recommendation as to whether or not the licensee is a fit and proper person to drive a vehicle that is plied for hire.

3. (1.) Any local authority having endorsed a license as aforesaid may at any time cancel the endorsement for any reason that it deems sufficient; and for that purpose may, by notice in writing, require the holder of the license to produce his license to an authorized officer for the cancellation of the endorsement.

(2.) If any person refuses or fails to produce his license for the cancellation of the endorsement as aforesaid, as and when required so to do, he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and shall be liable to a fine of five pounds, and in the meantime his license shall, notwithstanding the endorsement thereon, not be an authority to drive any motor-vehicle that is plied for hire.

4. No fee shall be payable in respect of the endorsement of a license under these regulations, but nothing herein shall restrict the liability of any person to pay, or the right of any local authority to charge, any fees in respect of the licensing of vehicles to ply for hire.

5. An endorsement of a motor-driver's license made for the purposes of these regulations may be in the form in the Schedule hereto.

6. Every holder of a driver's license that has not been endorsed as provided in these regulations shall be liable to the same penalty as if he were not the holder of a driver's license if, in contravention of these regulations, he drives any motor-vehicle that is plied for hire.

SCHEDULE.

FORM OF ENDORSEMENT OF MOTOR-DRIVER'S LICENSE IN THE CASE OF DRIVERS OF VEHICLES PLIED FOR HIRE.

THIS license authorizes the holder to drive any motor-vehicle of the same class/classes that is licensed by the [Name of local authority] to ply for hire.

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[Signature of authorized officer.]

F. D. THOMSON,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extending the Maintenance Orders Act, 1923 (Union of South Africa), to New Zealand.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 1925, page 2428.)

Prohibition of Money-orders and Postal Correspondence.

(See New Zealand Gazette, 1925, page 2444.)

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