ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

1999, No. 19

Transport Board Regulations, 1998 made by the Minister under section 17 of the Transport Board Act, 1995 (No. 13 of 1995).

PRELIMINARY

Short title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Transport Board Regulations, 1999.

Interpretation.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires

"Act" means the Transport Board Act;

"heavy goods vehicle" means a goods vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods with a licensed maximum gross weight which exceeds 56,000 pounds and includes a truck, pickup, van or trailer;

"lateral overhang" means the distance measured from the outer face of the tyre on the rear wheel on the same side of the vehicle (and in the case of dual tyres from the outer surface of the outer tyre) to a vertical line let fall from the extreme limit of the body;

"light goods vehicle" means a goods vehicle constructed or adopted for the carriage of goods with a licensed maximum gross weight which does not exceed 56,000 pounds and includes a truck, pickup, van or trailer;

"longitudinal overhang" means the distance measured from the centre of a hub of a rear wheel to a vertical line let fall from the extreme rear limit of the body, in the case of a six wheeled vehicle from the rear wheel nearest to the vertical line;

"minibus" means a public service vehicle other than a taxi or motor omnibus with seating capacity of not less than ten passengers and not more than twenty-four;

"moped" means a motorized bicycle;

"motor cycle" means a motor vehicle with less than four wheels not equipped with means of reversing and the weight of which unladen does not exceed 800 pounds and includes a moped;

"motor omnibus" means a public service vehicle other than a taxi or minibus with seating capacity of not less than twenty-five passengers;

"motor tractor" means a vehicle constructed for the purpose of hauling trailers or other loads;

"overall length" means the overall length of a vehicle exclusive of the starting handle or bumpers, if any, and of the hood, if any, when down;

"overall width" means the width measured between parallel planes passing through the extreme projecting points of the vehicle exclusive of any driving mirror;

"private motor car" means a motor vehicle (other than a motor cycle, minibus, motor omnibus or other public service vehicle) constructed or adapted solely for the conveyance of not more than five persons and is used exclusively for private purposes and not for hire or reward;

"public service vehicle" means a motor vehicle used for the purpose of conveying people for hire or reward, whether at separate and distinct fares from their respective places or not;

"public service vehicle stand" means an appointed place where public service vehicles or public service vehicles of a particular class may wait;

"taxi" means a public service vehicle other than a minibus or motor omnibus with seating capacity of not less than four passengers and not more than nine;

the expressions "driver", "highway code", "maximum gross weight", "motor lorry", "motor vehicle", "owner", "park",

"parking place", and "trailer" have the same meaning given to them under the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act. Cap. 460.

PART I

DRIVING INSTRUCTORS

Certificate of competence.

3. No person shall give instructions in driving a motor vehicle for money or monies worth, unless he is the holder of a certificate of competence issued by the Board.

Application for certificate of competence.

4. (1) Application for a certificate of competence shall be made to the Board who may issue the certificate to the applicant on payment of the prescribed fee in the Schedule certifying that the applicant has satisfied the Board of his competence to perform the duties of a driving instructor.

(2) A person who applies for a certificate of competence shall be required by the Board to undergo an instructor's test conducted by an examiner authorised for that purpose by the Board.

(3) It shall be in the discretion of the Board or the examiners appointed by it to set out the instructor's test which shall include:

(a) a written examination on road safety, techniques of driving a motor vehicle correctly;

(b) questions on the Instructor's Code and the Highway Code; and

(c) a practical test of ability and fitness to drive and instruct.

Record of certificate of competence.

5. The Board shall maintain a record of all certificates of competence issued and the record must contain:

(a) the names and addresses of the holders,

(b) the date of issue and date of expiration,

(c) the registration number of the vehicle to be used for instructions, and

(d) any other condition or restriction that is applicable.

Instructor's Code.

6. The Board shall prepare a code to be known as the "Instructor's Code" containing the directions that appear to the Board to be proper for the guidance of driving instructors.

Registration of driving schools.

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7. A person who operates a driving school shall register the school with the Board on the prescribed form and shall pay the Registration fee prescribed in the Schedule.

Penalty.

8. Where any instructions in the driving of a motor vehicle is given in contravention of these Regulations the person by whom they are given and if that person is employed to give instructions, the person employing him also commits an offence and is each liable on summary conviction to a fine of five hundred dollars or to imprisonment for six months.

Driving instructor and school to comply with the Regulations.

9. A person who is a driving instructor or who operates a driving school at the commencement of these Regulations shall within sixty days of the coming into force of these Regulations comply with the requirements of these Regulations.

Appointment of examiners.

10. (1) The Board shall appoint examiners to conduct driving tests and the nature of the test shall be in the discretion of the Board or the examiner appointed by the Board, and must satisfy the requirements stated in subsection (2).

(2) The test that a person is required to pass before a driver's licence is granted to him authorising him to drive a motor vehicle of a particular class or description, is a test carried out on a vehicle of that particular class or description and the examiner conducting the test must satisfy himself that the person taking the test is

(a) conversant with the contents of the Highway Code and with the rules of the road;

(b) competent to drive without danger to and with due consideration for other road users; and

(c) able to comply with any other requirement specified for the purpose in these Regulations.

(3) Where an applicant requires a driving licence to drive a vehicle of a particular class or description the examiner shall after satisfying himself by means of the requisite tests he considers suitable that the applicant is qualified to drive a vehicle of that particular class or description issue to the applicant a certificate of competence signed by the examiner on which there is clearly set out all restrictions to which that certificate is issued.

PART II
DRIVER'S LICENCE

Application for driver's licence.

11. (1) An application for, or renewal of, a driver's licence, conductors licence, learner's permit, or public service vehicle driver's permit must be made to the Board in accordance with the form in the Schedule.

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(2) The person applying to the Board for a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit, or public service vehicle driver's permit must submit the following:

(a) two full face recent passport size photographs of the applicant;

(b) the fee prescribed in the Schedule; and

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(c) in the case of an application for a public service vehicle driver's permit

(i) the birth certificate or passport of the applicant,

(ii) a certificate of character issued by the Commissioner of Police not more than seven days prior to the application, and

(iii) the results of any other test that the Board may from time to time approve; and

(d) in the case of an application for a driver's licence and a public service driver's permit the certificate issued under Regulation 10(3) as proof that the applicant has passed a driving test showing that he is competent to drive.

(3) An applicant may also be required to produce a medical certificate signed by a competent medical practitioner stating that the applicant is fit to be in charge of a motor vehicle and the Board may order the applicant to undergo certain tests to be determined by the Board, to ascertain the fitness or ability of the applicant to drive the motor vehicle.

(4) Before issuing or renewing a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit, or public service vehicle driver's permit to any person the Board must satisfy itself

(a) that the person's vision, hearing, physical and mental fitness are adequate for him to hold a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit or public service vehicle driver's permit; and

(b) that the vehicle is so equipped that the motor vehicle can be controlled effectively by that person.

(5) On being satisfied that the applicant has complied with all the requirements of these Regulations to obtain a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit or public service vehicle driver's licence the Board may issue the required licence or permit in form 3 or 4 of the Schedule and shall

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(a) have affixed or imprinted on it the photograph and signature or facsimile of the photograph and signature of the holder of the licence or permit;

(b) indicate the class of licence or permit and the type of motor vehicle the holder is licensed to drive; and

(c) indicate any restrictions imposed on a holder who is partially disabled or suffers from some form of physical disability.

Register of drivers licences.

12. When issuing a driver's licence, conductor's licence or public service vehicle driver's permit the Board shall enter in the appropriate register the particulars of the licence or permit including the name, address and description of the person licensed, the date of the licence or permit and any convictions ordered by a competent court to be endorsed on the licence or permit.

Validity of licence.

13. (1) A driver's licence is, unless previously suspended or cancelled, valid for one year from the date of birth of the holder, and may be renewed for a further period of one year, or a period of three years at the request of the holder.

(2) The holder of a driver's licence issued under these Regulations may at least fourteen days before the expiration of the licence apply to the Board for a renewal of the licence.

(3) Every licence that expires and is not renewed within nine months of the date of its expiration shall be cancelled.

(4) No person under the age of 18 years shall be eligible to hold a driver's licence.

(5) No person under the age of 17 years shall be eligible to hold a motor cycle driver's licence.

(6) No person who has been a licensed driver for less than four years shall be eligible to hold a driver's licence or permit to drive a public service vehicle, heavy goods vehicle, tractor, or pick up and light truck which exceeds 11,201 lbs. in weight.

Appeal.

14. Where the Board refuses to issue a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit or public service vehicle driver's permit to an applicant, the applicant may appeal against the decision of the Board to the High Court.

Drivers over 70.

15. In the case of a driver who has attained the age of 70 years, the Board shall have the power to demand an annual medical review of that driver to ascertain his fitness and ability to continue to drive a motor vehicle.

False statements.

16. A person who in, or in connection with, an application for a driver's licence, conductor's licence, learner's permit or public service vehicle driver's permit makes a statement that to his knowledge is false commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of one thousand dollars or to imprisonment for twelve months or both.

Board's discretion not to issue licence.

17. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these regulations, no driver's licence shall be issued to a person convicted of an

offence or a number of offences the effect of which in the opinion of the Board makes it undesirable that the person be issued with a driver's licence.

(2) The Board shall not issue a licence to a person who has been convicted of an offence involving the use of a motor vehicle in the conveyance of stolen goods.

Learner's permit.

18. (1) A person who is not the holder of a driver's licence may for the purpose of learning to drive, drive a motor vehicle of a particular type on a road, if he holds a learner's permit.

(2) A learner's permit may be obtained from the Board in accordance with regulation 11.

(3) Where the Board grants a learner's permit to a person there may be set out conditions and restrictions that are considered necessary for the safety of the public as follows:

(a) the times during which the holder of the permit may not drive on roads specified in the permit;

(b) that the learner shall not use a public service vehicle carrying passengers for the purpose of learning to drive; and

(c) that the learner shall not be permitted to drive a vehicle while it is being used to pull a trailer or convey a passenger.

Restrictions on use of learners permit.

19. (1) The holder of a learner's permit shall not drive a motor vehicle of any type or class unless

(a) he is under the supervision of a licensed driver who

(i) has been the holder of a driver's licence for a vehicle of that type or class for a period of not less than four years;

(ii) is in possession of a valid certificate of competence issued by the Board; and

(iii) is present with him in the vehicle when he is driving; and

(b) the vehicle has clearly displayed in a conspicuous position on the front and rear of the vehicle as directed by the Board the letter "L" in red on a white background, and measuring 7" by 9" and shall not obstruct the registration number plate.

(3) A learner's permit shall be valid for a period of six months and it may be renewed in accordance with regulation 11.

(4) A person who is learning to drive and contravenes any of the conditions set out in a learner's permit commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars or to imprisonment for a term of three months and in addition the court may cancel the learner's permit.

Conductor's licence.

20. (1) A person who desires to be licensed as a conductor for a motor omnibus shall apply to the Board in accordance with regulation 11.

(2) A conductor's licence shall, unless previously cancelled or suspended by the Board, expire on the 31st day of December following the date of issue.

(3) The Board may cancel or suspend the licence of a conductor on his being convicted of an offence under these Regulations and for any contravention of any other legislation governing conductors of a motor omnibus.

Form of conductor's licence.

21. (1) A conductor's licence (which shall be in the form of a badge) shall not be issued to a person applying for a conductor's licence unless the Board is satisfied that the applicant

(a) is above the age of 18 years and is physically and mentally fit,

(b) is of good character,

(c) has sufficient knowledge of the rules of the road, and the provisions of these Regulations, the Act and the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act and its Regulations.

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(2) A person desiring to obtain a licence as a conductor of a motor omnibus shall apply to the Board with the relevant particulars as set out in the Schedule and the Board shall if it is satisfied that the applicant fulfils the necessary requirements issue him with a conductor's badge.

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(3) On the issue of a conductor's licence in respect of a motor omnibus a badge marked 'conductor' and the year of issue shall be delivered to the holder of the licence on due payment of the fee set out in the Schedule.

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(4) The badge shall be worn at all times when the conductor is on duty in such a manner as to be easily seen.

Public service vehicle driver's permit.

22. (1) No person shall drive a public service vehicle on a road unless he is the holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit issued by the Board.

(2) No person shall be granted a public service vehicle driver's permit unless he is a citizen of Antigua and Barbuda.

(3) A public service vehicle driver's permit shall be valid for a period of one year, but shall not be valid during any period in which the holder is not the holder of a valid driver's licence issued by the Board.

(4) The holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit shall display the permit at all times in a conspicuous place within the public service vehicle driven by the holder of the permit.

(5) The holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit must take proper steps to preserve the permit against loss, destruction or defacement and must produce the same on demand for inspection to a police officer, traffic warden or any passenger in a public service vehicle of which he is the driver.

(6) If the holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit satisfies the Board that the permit issued to him has been lost, destroyed or defaced and that he has not wilfully affected or been a party to the losing, destroying or defacement of the permit, the Board may issue a duplicate permit on payment of the fee prescribed in the Schedule and in the case of defacement of the permit surrender the permit to the Board.

(7) Subject to subregulation (8) the Board may cancel a public service vehicle driver's permit

(a) if the holder of the permit is convicted of an offence under the Act or these Regulations;

(b) if the Board is satisfied that it was obtained by any false representation; or

(3) the holder has ceased to be a fit and proper person to hold a public service vehicle driver's permit.

(8) The Board must inform the holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit of the substance of what is alleged against him and shall consider any representation made by him in writing in connection with the proposed cancellation within seven days of receiving it.

(9) If the holder of a public service vehicle driver's permit notifies the Board that he wishes to make oral representation and adduce evidence in connection with the proposed cancellation of his permit the Board shall hear the representations and evidence and determine the matter in dispute.

(10) When a public service vehicle driver's permit has been cancelled by the Board the holder of the permit shall surrender the permit to the Board and the Board shall cause every cancellation of a public service driver's permit to be notified to the Commissioner of Police.

(11) The Board may limit the number of public service vehicle permits that may be issued generally and in particular to operate taxis.

Visitors temporary driver's licence.

23. (1) The Board may grant a temporary driver's licence for a period not exceeding three months to an applicant, when it is shown to the satisfaction of the Board that the applicant is a *bona fide* visitor to Antigua and Barbuda.

(2) A temporary driver's licence may be granted with or without any driving test on the part of the applicant but shall be subject to the conditions that may be stipulated on the licence and payment of the fee set out in the Schedule.

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Validity of licence.

24. A driver's licence or permit is not valid for the driving of a motor vehicle other than a motor vehicle of the class specified in that driving licence or permit, but a driving licence or permit may, by endorsement on the licence or permit by the Board, be extended to any other class of vehicle.

Classification.

25. (1) Drivers licences and permits shall be of the following classes:

(a) a motor cycle driver's licence, which shall entitle the holder to drive a motor cycle with or without a sidecar and a moped;

(b) a private motor car (A/T) or (M/T) driver's licence, which shall entitle the holder to drive not for hire or reward the type of motor vehicle as may be specified in the licence and which his driving test proves him competent to drive;

(c) a light and heavy goods vehicle driver's licence which shall entitle the holder to drive the type of vehicle as may be specified in the licence and which his driving test proves him competent to drive;

(d) a land and motor tractor vehicle driver's licence which shall entitle the holder to drive the type of vehicle as may be specified in the licence and which his driving test proves him competent to drive;

(e) a conductor's licence which shall entitle the holder to be a conductor on a motor omnibus or minibus;

(f) a public service vehicle driver's permit, which shall entitle the holder to drive for reward the type of motor vehicle as may be specified in the licence and which his driving test proves him competent to drive;

(g) learner's permit which shall entitle the holder to learn to drive the type of motor vehicle as may be specified in the permit; and

(h) all group drivers licence.

(2) In this section

"(A/T)" means automatic transmission; and

"(M/T)" means manual transmission.

(3) The following are the class of driver's licences and permits and the types of motor vehicles referred to in subregulation (1):

Class of Licence	*Types of Motor Vehicle*
Motor cycle driver's licence	Motor cycle and moped.
Private motor car (A/T) or (M/T) driver's licence	Private motor car, rental vehicle, jeep, pickup, truck and van not exceeding 11,201 lbs.
Light and heavy goods vehicle licence	(i) Vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods not exceeding 38,580 lbs or 16 tons maximum gross weight and includes a truck, pickup, van or trailer; and (ii) vehicle constructed or adapted for the carriage of goods exceeding 38,580 lbs or 16 tons maximum gross weight and includes a truck, pickup, van or trailer.
Land and motor tractor vehicle licence	(i) Vehicle designed and used primarily for work on the land in connection with agriculture forestry, land leveling, dredging and other similar operations and hauling implements to be used on the land; and (ii) vehicle constructed for the purpose of hauling trailers or other loads.
Conductor's licence	Motor omnibus or minibus

Class of Licence	*Types of Motor Vehicle*
Public service vehicle driver's permit	Motor omnibus, minibus, taxi or other public service vehicle
Learner's permit	Private motor car, jeep, pickup, van not exceeding 11,201 lbs light and heavy goods vehicle and land and motor tractor.
All group driver's licence	Private motor car (M/T), motor cycle, light and heavy goods vehicle and land and motor tractor.

(4) An applicant qualifies for an all group licence if he has been tested and approved on all the classifications as stated in subregulation (3) under all group driver's licence.

(5) A driver who passed his driving test on an automatic vehicle shall not be licensed to drive a manual transmission vehicle unless he takes a further driving test on a manual vehicle; but where the driver passed his driving test on a manual vehicle he shall also be licensed to drive an automatic transmission vehicle.

(6) The Board may by Order, after consultation with the Minister, vary the class of driver's licences or permits and the types of vehicles specified in subregulation (2).

PART III

REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Registration

26. (1) No person shall drive or keep or being the owner permit any other person to drive or keep a motor vehicle or trailer on a road unless it is duly registered with the Board and has affixed to it in the prescribed manner the registration number plates.

(2) No person shall be liable to a penalty for a breach of this regulation if he proves that he has taken all reasonable steps to comply with its requirements and that the vehicle or trailer was being driven on a road for the purpose of being registered.

27. (1) An owner of a motor vehicle shall apply to the Board, on the prescribed form, to have the motor vehicle registered and shall pay to the Board the fee prescribed in the Schedule.

Application for registration.

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(2) A person having made an application for registration of a motor vehicle must furnish the Board with the particulars as specified in the Vehicle Examiners certificate and the Board shall enter those particulars in a register to be kept by it for that purpose.

(3) The Board shall satisfy itself that the provisions of these Regulations and the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Act have been complied with before it assigns the owner of the motor vehicle a number to be known as the registration number.

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(4) A certificate of registration being a copy of the entry in the register of motor vehicles in the prescribed form shall be given to the owner of the vehicle and the vehicle registration certificate shall be regarded as *prima facie* evidence that the vehicle to which it refers has been registered.

(5) The owner of the vehicle must carry on his person at all times for presentation on demand to a police officer or traffic warden the vehicle registration certificate issued to him in subregulation (4).

(6) A person who fails to comply with subregulation (5) commits an offence.

28. (1) A motor vehicle or trailer shall be fitted with two registration number plates each bearing the registration number assigned by the Board.

Registration number plates.

(2) The registration number to be carried by a motor vehicle or trailer in pursuance of this regulation shall consist of two plates which must conform as to size, lettering, numbering and otherwise with the provisions set out in the Schedule and approved by the Board by notice published in the *Gazette* from time to time and posted in a conspicuous place in the offices of the Board.

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(3) The registration number plates to be carried by a motor vehicle or trailer shall be fixed one on the front and the other on the back of the motor vehicle or trailer in the vertical position so that every letter or figure on the plate is vertical and easily distinguishable.

(4) The registration number plates on a motor vehicle or trailer shall at all times be legible and shall not be obstructed by any other figures, designs or ornamentation.

(5) The registration number plates become the property of the owner of a motor vehicle or trailer on payment of the fee prescribed in the Schedule for the registration number plates.

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(6) It shall be the responsibility of the owner of a motor vehicle or trailer to inform the Board if the registration number plates have been stolen, destroyed or are defaced in any way and where the Board is satisfied that the registration number plates have been stolen, destroyed or are defaced the Board may issue a duplicate registration number plate to the owner on payment of the prescribed fee in the Schedule; except that in the case of defacement the registration number plate must be returned to the Board.

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(7) Where a motor vehicle or trailer is off the road in a body works repair shop or a mechanic shop it shall be the responsibility of the owner

(a) to remove the registration number plates and keep them in a safe place until the vehicle is ready for collection by the owner; and

(b) notify the Board that the motor vehicle or trailer is at a body works repair shop or mechanic shop and specify the name of the body works repair shop or mechanic shop.

(8) No person shall manufacture or have manufactured or imported registration number plates without the prior approval of the Board.

(9) A person who drives a motor vehicle or trailer without the approved registration number plates commits an offence.

Presumptive evidence the vehicle is not registered.

29. (1) If a motor vehicle does not bear on it a registration number as provided by these Regulations this fact shall be regarded as *prima facie* evidence that the vehicle has not been registered and any police officer or traffic warden may detain the vehicle until inquiries have been made.

(2) The onus of proving that a vehicle has been registered shall be on the owner of the vehicle.

Duration of registration number.

30. A registration number assigned to an owner of a motor vehicle or trailer remains the registration number of the owner but the Board may reassign that registration number to another person if the person to whom it was assigned

(a) fails to licence the vehicle within twelve months after the date the licence of the vehicle is to be renewed, to renew it or

(b) fails to indicate that it be retained for his use and to pay the licence fee for its retention.

Verification of application for registration.

31. (1) Before the Board registers a motor vehicle it shall verify all the particulars entered in the form of application and may, if he deems it necessary, send the vehicle to be examined by a Vehicle Examiner for the purpose of ensuring that it is of the construction and in the condition necessary for the purpose for which the vehicle is being registered.

(2) Before the Board registers a motor lorry or motor omnibus it shall ascertain, in the manner prescribed, the maximum gross weight or the maximum number of passengers which the vehicle is authorised to carry and the maximum gross weight or maximum number of passengers shall be entered in the register of motor vehicles and in the certificate of registration.

(3) The owner of a motor vehicle shall notify the Board of all circumstances or events that affect the accuracy of the entries in the register of motor vehicles at the same time forwarding his certificate of registration for amendment.

(4) The Board may call on any owner of a motor vehicle at any time to furnish all information for the verification of the entries in the register of motor vehicles relating to the vehicle.

Validity of registration.

32. (1) The registration of a motor vehicle shall remain valid so long as the vehicle is kept in use, and shall only be cancelled if the Board is satisfied that the vehicle

(a) has been destroyed,

(b) is rendered permanently unserviceable,

(c) has been permanently removed from Antigua and Barbuda or

(d) has not been re-licensed for two consecutive years.

(2) The owner of a motor vehicle which has been destroyed, rendered permanently unserviceable or has been permanently removed from Antigua and Barbuda shall notify the Board of the fact within one month of the happening of the event.

Exemption from registration.

33. (1) The following classes of motor vehicles shall be exempt from the need for registration:

(a) private motor cars and motor cycles brought into Antigua and Barbuda by visitors for their own use for a period not exceeding three months, subject to any conditions that may be prescribed; and

(b) new motor vehicles in the possession of manufacturers or dealers in motor vehicles, intended for sale and not used except for the purpose of being tested with a view to sale, subject to any conditions that may be prescribed.

(2) No fee shall be charged on the registration of a motor vehicle or trailer

(a) which is the property of the Governor-General used by him for his official or personal duties;

(b) which is the property of the Government or of any government body, city or district council;

(c) which is specially exempt by an order of the Governor-General on account of its being used for any charitable, philanthropic or public purpose; or

(d) which is the property of a Consular Officer.

Change of ownership.

34. (1) On the change of ownership of a motor vehicle or trailer otherwise than by death

(a) the motor vehicle or trailer shall not be used for more than seven days after the change of ownership unless the new owner is registered as the owner of the vehicle or trailer;

(b) the registered owner and the new owner shall within seven days after the change of ownership, make application in writing signed by both of them to the Board giving the name and address of the new owner and the date of change of ownership, and the application shall be accompanied by the certificate of registration and the fee set out in the Schedule; and Schedule.

(c) the Board shall by endorsement on the certificate of registration and entry in the register substitute the name of the new owner for that of the registered owner and shall date and initial the substitution, and from the new date the new owner shall for the purposes be deemed to be the registered owner of the motor vehicle or trailer described in the relevant entry in the register of motor vehicles and the certificate of registration, except that where the ownership of a motor vehicle or trailer is changed as a result of any legal or judicial process the application may be made by the new owner alone, subject to the other requirements of this section being complied with.

(2) In the case of the death of the registered owner the legal personal representative of the deceased in Antigua and Barbuda shall be deemed to be the registered owner for the purposes of the transfer and in the absence of any legal personal representative in Antigua and Barbuda, the person into whose possession the motor vehicle or trailer lawfully comes shall, for the purposes of the transfer, be deemed to be the registered owner.

(3) The legal personal representative or other person as stated in subregulation (2) shall notify the Board of the death of the registered owner within one month of the happening of the event.

(4) The registered owner or the new owner, who contravenes any provisions of this section commits an offence.

(5) At the discretion of the Board a new certificate of registration may be issued instead of endorsing the original certificate.

Visitors motor vehicle registration.

35. (1) A person who being a visitor to Antigua and Barbuda imports into Antigua and Barbuda a motor vehicle of which he is the owner shall if he desires to avail himself of the provisions of (exemptions and visitors licence) notify the Board within forty eight hours of the importation and furnish at the same time particulars of the registration number of the vehicle in the country where it was last registered together with a description of the vehicle and unless some other registration number is assigned by the Board the registration number of the country where the vehicle was last registered shall be the registration number for the purposes of these Regulations.

(2) The Board shall keep a register to be called the Temporary Visitors Motor Vehicle Register where the following particulars shall be entered:

(a) name of visitor,

(b) date of arrival of visitor,

(c) date of arrival of motor vehicle,

(d) description of motor vehicle,

(e) registration number of the motor vehicle in the country where it was last registered, and

(f) registration number (if any) assigned by the Board.

PART IV

LIMITED TRADE LICENCE

Limited trade licence.

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36. (1) An importer, dealer or repairer of a mechanically propelled vehicle shall apply to the Board for a limited trade licence on payment of the fee set out in the Schedule.

(2) The Board may issue a limited trade licence to an applicant on

(a) being satisfied that the applicant is a *bona fide* importer, dealer or repairer of mechanically propelled vehicles; and

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(b) the payment of the fee set out in the Schedule.

(3) A dealer, importer or repairer of mechanically propelled vehicles of the types liable to registration and taxation and who desires to obtain a limited trade licence in respect of the vehicles shall apply to the Board making the prescribed declaration.

Contents of limited trade licence.

37. (1) A limited trade licence must contain

(a) the name and address of the person or company to whom it is being issued,

(b) the number of limited trade plates,

(c) the date of expiry of the licence,

(d) the amount of fees paid in respect of the licence,

(e) the date stamp of the office of issue, and

(f) the serial number of the licence.

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(2) The Board shall, on receipt of the fees set out in the Schedule, apply to each limited trade licence a registration number which the applicant shall use with his limited trade plates and the Board shall not issue more than five limited trade plates to an applicant.

Use of limited trade plates.

38. (1) A person or company to whom a limited trade licence is issued shall affix in a conspicuous manner a pair of limited trade plates one in the front the other in the rear of the vehicle upon which the plates are being used.

(2) A limited trade number plate must have white background with red letters and be designed in accordance with the manner prescribed by the Board.

(3) No person shall use a limited trade number plate or permit a limited trade number plate to be used on any motor vehicle unless the number plate is submitted to the Board and stamped in a manner approved by it and the number plate shall only be used between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day.

(4) The holder of a limited trade licence may use that licence and its accompanying limited trade number plates in respect of any

mechanically propelled vehicle for which that licence is appropriate, if the vehicle is being

(a) tested or taken for trial in the ordinary course of construction or repair;

(b) returned to its garage or showroom immediately after being tested, taken for trial or being repaired;

(c) driven to or from a public weigh station for ascertaining its weight;

(d) driven to or from any public place for inspection or registration by the Board;

(e) tested or taken for trial for the benefit of a prospective buyer;

(f) delivered to a place where a buyer intends to keep it;

(g) taken from the premises of an importer or repairer of, or dealer in mechanically propelled vehicles, directly to other premises;

(h) driven to or from a workshop where

(i) a body is fitted to it,

(ii) a body has been fitted to it, or

(iii) it has been painted or repainted;

(i) used for the purpose of carrying another vehicle that has been broken down;

(j) driven to or from any garage, auction room or other places at which

(i) motor vehicles are usually stored, or

(ii) motor vehicles are usually or periodically offered for sale, or

(iii) the motor vehicle is to be or has been stored or is to be or has been offered for sale; and

(k) removed from one place to another, it having been laid up by its owner.

(5) No vehicle shall, with or without a trailer, be used on a road under the limited trade licence for any purpose other than a purpose specified in sub-regulation (1).

Revocation of limited trade licence.

39. The Board shall revoke any limited trade licence issued to a dealer, importer or repairer of a mechanically propelled vehicle where the dealer, importer or repairer has been convicted of two or more offences in contravention of any provision of these Regulations.

Limited trade licence book.

40. (1) The Board shall, on the issue of a limited trade licence, supply to the person or company to whom it is issued a limited trade licence book, in a form prescribed by the Board.

(2) The holder of a limited trade licence shall, on every occasion before he uses the licence, make an entry in duplicate in the book setting out the purpose for which the licence is being used, and the proposed route of the vehicle in respect of which the licence is being used.

(3) One copy of the entry referred to in sub-regulation (2) shall be kept in the book and the other copy shall be removed and carried with the vehicle throughout the entire journey to which the entry relates and shall be produced by the driver of the vehicle for inspection at anytime during the journey on demand being made by a police officer, traffic warden or person authorised by the Board for this purpose.

(4) The book shall be kept for inspection for a period of not less than eighteen months commencing on the date on which the last entry was made at a place approved by the Board.

(5) No person shall

(a) damage, deface or mutilate the book,

(b) make an entry that he knows to be false,

(c) alter or obliterate an entry made,

(d) make an entry that is not authorised by the Act or these Regulations, or

(e) alter or obliterate a copy of an entry after it has been removed from the book by virtue of subregulation 64(3).

(6) Where the book is lost, damaged, mutilated or rendered illegible, the owner is entitled, on payment to the Board of the fee set out in the Schedule, to be issued with a duplicate book.

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(7) A person commits an offence if he

(a) uses a vehicle on a road in contravention of this Part,

(b) permits a vehicle on a road in contravention of this Part,

(c) aids and abets any person in contravention of this Part,

(d) fails to produce the book when required to do so in accordance with this Part,

and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of two thousand dollars or to imprisonment for two years or both.

PART V

EXAMINATION OF VEHICLES

Vehicle Examiners.

41. The Board may authorise officers as it deems necessary to be Vehicle Examiners for the purpose of inspecting and examining motor vehicles in order to determine the road worthiness of the vehicles and to issue certificates in accordance with these Regulations and the Act.

Vehicle Inspectors.

42. The Board may authorise officers as it deems necessary to be Vehicle Inspectors to monitor and report on ground transport systems to ensure that owners and drivers of motor vehicles conform

to the provisions of these Regulations and the Act with respect to the operation and registration of motor vehicles.

Vehicle weighers.

43. The Board may assign persons it deems necessary to be official weighers to weigh motor vehicles for the purpose of these Regulations, the Act and the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act and its Regulations.

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Vehicle Examiner register.

44. (1) A Vehicle Examiner shall keep a register, in the form set out in the Schedule, of all certificates of fitness issued by him in respect of a motor vehicle or trailer and the certificate shall be in the form set out in the Schedule.

Schedule.

(2) A public service vehicle shall be examined at least every six months by a Vehicle Examiner and an appropriate entry made in the register.

Certificate of fitness by Vehicle Examiners.

45. (1) A Vehicle Examiner shall not issue a certificate of fitness in respect of a motor vehicle or trailer unless the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) that the motor vehicle, if it exceeds in unladen weight 8 cwt., is capable of being so worked that it may travel either forwards or backwards;

(b) that the motor vehicle, not being a motor cycle, does not exceed seven feet six inches maximum width, twenty-five feet maximum length or twenty-five tons maximum weight;

(c) that the lateral overhang of the motor vehicle or trailer does not exceed six inches on each side and the longitudinal overhang does not exceed seven twenty-fourths of the overall length of the vehicle;

(d) (i) that the motor vehicle is equipped with two entirely independent braking systems, or with one efficient braking system having two independent means of operation, in each case so designed and constructed that the failure of any single portion of any breaking system shall not prevent the brakes on two wheels, or in the case of a motor vehicle having less than four wheels,

on one wheel, from operating effectively so as to bring the vehicle to rest within a reasonable distance, except in the case of a single braking system, the two means of operation shall not be deemed to be otherwise than independent solely by reason of the fact that they are connected either directly or indirectly to the same cross-shaft;

(ii) in the case of a motor vehicle having more than three wheels and equipped with two independent braking systems, each system shall be so designed and constructed that if the brakes act either directly or indirectly on two wheels they shall act on two wheels on the same axle;

(iii) where, in the case of a single braking system, the means of operation are connected directly or indirectly to the same cross-shaft, the brakes applied by one of the means shall act on all of the wheels of the motor vehicle directly and not through the transmission gear;

(iv) in all cases the brakes operated by one of the means of operation shall be applied by direct mechanical action without the intervention of any hydraulic, electric or pneumatic device;

(v) in all cases the brakes operated by one of the means of operation shall act directly on the wheels and not through the transmission gear;

(e) that the trailer is fitted with sufficient brakes to the satisfaction of the Vehicle Examiner;

(f) that the motor vehicle or trailer and all the fittings of the motor vehicle or trailer shall be in a condition so as (in the opinion of the Vehicle Examiner) not to cause, or to be likely to cause, danger to any person on the motor vehicle or trailer or on any public road;

(g) that the motor vehicle is fitted with a silencer to the satisfaction of the Vehicle Examiner;

(h) that the exhaust pipe of a motor vehicle shall not be fixed in such a position that oil or any vaporisable or inflammable material is likely to be dropped on it and the outlet of the exhaust pipe shall be placed far enough to the rear of the vehicle to prevent as far as practicable, fumes from entering the vehicle;

(i) that there shall not be fixed to the front or rear of a motor vehicle any letters or figures other than those on the registration number plate or any lighted lamps except with the permission of the Vehicle Examiner;

(j) that no window or windscreen of the motor vehicle is so tinted that in the opinion of the Vehicle Examiner the interior of the vehicle is insufficiently visible from the exterior of the vehicle;

(k) that a motor vehicle shall be equipped with at least two lamps at the front of the vehicle, one on each side with a device which allows the front lamps of the vehicle to be dipped or dimmed;

(l) that a motor cycle shall show one light but if a side-car is attached to the motor cycle there shall be shown on that side-car not adjacent to the motor cycle an additional light;

(m) that subject to regulation 18 of the Vehicles and Road Traffic Regulations, a motor vehicle and trailer shall carry at least one lamp showing a red light to the rear to illuminate clearly the figures and numbers on the rear registration number plate; and

(n) that no spot lights or other similar swivelling lights shall be carried on any motor vehicle without the authority of the Board who may authorise the lights at its discretion and subject to the conditions it may impose.

(2) The Board may authorise the issue of a certificate of fitness in respect of a motor vehicle which does not comply with the provisions of paragraphs *(a)*, *(b)* and *(c)* of subregulation (1).

PART VI
PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES

Travelling on scheduled routes.

Schedule.

46. (1) Motor omnibuses shall travel only on the routes provided in the Schedule, or on other routes that may be prescribed by special permit granted by the Board; and taxis may only travel on the routes prescribed to them by the Board.

(2) Before a public service vehicle travels on any route, scheduled or otherwise, the owner of the public service vehicle must apply to the Board for a permit.

(3) An application for a public service vehicle route permit

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(a) must be in accordance with Form 9 in the Schedule;

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(b) must be accompanied by the fee prescribed in the Schedule (which is non-refundable); and

(c) the applicant must satisfy the following requirements:

(i) he must be a citizen of Antigua and Barbuda;

(ii) he must prove to the satisfaction of the Board that he has acquired or is in the process of acquiring a public service vehicle for use on a route;

(iii) the driver of a public service vehicle must have attended and successfully completed a driving course approved by the Board;

(iv) the driver of a public service vehicle must have a permit to drive a public service vehicle issued by the Board;

(v) he must be of good character; and

(vi) he must have attained the age of twenty-two and have been driving for four years prior to the application.

(4) Where an applicant has satisfied all the requirements the Board must determine the application within sixty days of the receipt of the application.

(5) Where the Board refuses an application the reason for the refusal must be made known to the applicant.

(6) Where the Board accepts an application it shall grant a permit subject to the conditions specified in subregulation (9) and any other conditions the Board deems appropriate in the circumstances.

(7) A permit for the purposes of this regulation must be in Form 10 of the Schedule and indicate the following: Schedule.

(a) the name of the permit holder;

(b) the engine number, chassis number and registration number of the public service vehicle to which the permit relates;

(c) the routes for which the permit is granted;

(d) the duration of the permit; and

(e) the conditions specified in subregulation (9).

(8) A permit issued under these Regulations is valid for one year unless the route to which it relates is relinquished by the permit holder sooner or if the permit is revoked by the Board.

(9) A permit to operate a route is granted subject to the following conditions:

(a) it is non-transferable;

(b) the public service vehicle to which it relates must be maintained in good physical and mechanical condition to the satisfaction the Board;

(c) the public service vehicle to which it relates must be kept insured and licensed at all times;

(d) the public service vehicle to which it relates must operate on the route for the duration of the permit;

(e) the driver of the public service vehicle to which it relates must be the holder of a public service vehicle permit; and

(f) the driver of the public service vehicle to which it relates has not been convicted of a serious offence under the Vehicles and Road Traffic Act and its Regulations, these Regulations or the Sexual Offences Act.

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(10) A permit issued by the Board pursuant to this regulation is renewable on the payment of the prescribed fee in the Schedule.

(11) A person to whom a permit is issued must commence to operate the route within three months after the issue; but the Board may extend the period for a further period, not exceeding three months, if it is satisfied that the owner of the permit has made satisfactory efforts to commence the operation of the route.

(12) A permit issued by the Board shall be carried in the public service vehicle at all times while operating on the route.

(13) The Board may assign a route number for use by motor omnibuses and minibuses to be used on each route and must be displayed on a sticker or other similar device and affixed in a conspicuous place to the outside front of the vehicle as directed by the Board.

(14) A public service vehicle in respect of which a permit has been issued by the Board shall ply for hire or reward only on the route or routes on which the public service vehicle is permitted to travel and shall not be permitted to ply for hire or reward on any route not specified in the permit.

(15) The Board may at any time revoke a permit if

(a) the owner of the permit has breached any of the conditions subject to which the permit was issued;

(b) the public service vehicle to which the permit relates has been operated on an unauthorised route after the action was drawn to the attention of the permit holder;

(c) the driver of a public service vehicle to which the permit relates has been convicted of

(i) dangerous or reckless driving;

(ii) driving while under the influence of alcohol or a prohibited drug;

(iii) overloading the motor omnibus or minibus; or

(iv) stopping for the purpose of picking up or letting down passengers at a place other than a bus stop, bus station or a public service vehicle stand.

(16) Notwithstanding subregulation (15) the Board may, from time to time, grant to the owner of a public service vehicle a special permit for the public service vehicle to be used for the conveyance for hire or reward of persons to and from picnics and recreational tours or any other purpose specified in the special permit on a scheduled route other than that on which the public service vehicle is permitted to travel.

(17) No person shall operate a public service vehicle in the manner contemplated by subregulation (16) unless the owner of the public service vehicle has applied for and is issued a special permit.

(18) An application for a special permit shall be in the form the Board approves and on being satisfied that the application is in order the Board shall issue a special permit in triplicate of which one copy each must be sent to the applicant and Commissioner of Police, the other copy to be retained by the Board.

(19) A special permit is valid for the period specified in the permit, and shall be retained by the driver of the public service vehicle at all times for the duration of its validity and shall be produced for inspection on demand by a police officer, traffic warden or by a person authorised by the Board in writing.

(20) Where a public service vehicle is driven on a scheduled route not included in a permit or special permit issued to the owner of the public service vehicle the driver of the public service vehicle commits an offence.

Schedule.

(21) The Board may from time to time add to, remove, vary or otherwise amend the routes provided in the Schedule.

Fares for public service vehicles.

Schedule.

47. (1) The maximum fares which may be charged in respect of each passenger travelling on a motor omnibus or minibus shall be as set out in the Schedule.

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(2) The driver of a motor omnibus or minibus should display in the vehicle the fares as set out in the Schedule.

(3) The maximum fares which may be charged by a taxi plying for hire or reward shall be as set out in the booklet provided by the Board and must be carried in the vehicle at all times.

(4) Failure to comply with this regulation is an offence for which the driver, conductor of the public service vehicle or other person charging the fare is liable.

Right to demand fare.

48. (1) The driver or conductor of a motor omnibus or minibus travelling on its scheduled route shall have the right to demand his fare of any person intending to travel in the omnibus or minibus upon the person entering the omnibus or minibus and may refuse to convey any person who does not comply with the demand and may require any police officer to remove from the omnibus or minibus any person so refusing to pay his fare.

(2) The maximum fare chargeable by a driver or conductor of a motor minibus or omnibus in respect of

(a) children under the age of fifteen years and wearing school uniform; and

(b) children under the age of twelve years,

shall be half the fare stipulated for the routes specified in the Schedule.

Schedule.

(3) The driver or conductor of a motor omnibus or minibus who demands more than his legal fare, a person who refuses or omits to pay his legal fare or a person who resists or obstructs a police officer in the performance of his duty under this regulation commits an offence.

Children.

49. For the purpose of computing the number of persons in a motor vehicle, two children under the age of 12 years shall be reckoned as one person and children in arms shall not be reckoned at all.

Parking.

Schedule.

50. (1) Motor omnibuses or minibuses shall park only at the places appointed as parking stations for motor omnibuses or minibuses in the Schedule.

(2) When parked, motor omnibuses or minibuses shall so far as is possible stand in a line one behind the other not less than three feet and not more than five feet apart from each other.

(3) Where motor omnibuses or minibuses form more than one line when parking there shall not be less than ten feet and not more than fifteen feet between the lines.

(4) No vehicle other than a motor omnibus or minibus may park in a parking station appointed for the motor omnibuses or minibuses.

(5) No motor omnibus or minibuses shall overtake another on approaching a parking station.

Stopping.

Schedule.

51. (1) A motor omnibus or minibus when proceeding on its scheduled route and before reaching its terminal point shall stop only at the places set out in Item D in the Schedule and at the places indicated by the public service vehicle stands along the route.

(2) When stopping, a motor omnibus or minibus shall draw up on the left side of the road facing the direction in which it is proceeding, and the driver of the motor omnibus or minibus shall observe all the rules of the road and other regulations as may be provided for the safety of road users when stopping a vehicle.

Special lights for motor omnibuses.

52. (1) In addition to the lights to be exhibited by every motor vehicle, motor omnibuses shall also be equipped with two small lights to be affixed at front of the vehicle, one on each side of the top of the body and of a type and colour to be approved by the Board.

(2) When the motor omnibus is in motion or stationary on a road at night, the two lights shall be kept lighted so that the rays emitted shall indicate the presence of the motor omnibus to approaching traffic.

Restriction on travelling in the City.

53. (1) No motor omnibus or minibus shall travel in any part of the City of Saint John's which does not lie on the route upon which the motor omnibus or minibus is employed except for the purpose of being fueled or having repairs effected to it and no passengers shall be carried on the motor omnibus or minibus at that time.

(2) Nothing in this regulation shall preclude any motor omnibus or minibus where the necessity arises by reason of the situation of its garage, from travelling along any street in the City of Saint John's for the purpose of garaging or of taking up its stand at a parking station provided the shortest route is used.

Conductors.

54. A conductor of a motor omnibus or minibus on a public road shall

(a) not make use of any abusive language or of any insulting gestures;

(b) not permit more passengers than the motor omnibus is licensed for to be carried in the motor omnibus;

(c) ensure that there is no carriage of goods on the motor omnibus except in the rear portion of the motor omnibus between the back of the motor omnibus and the back of the fourth bench from the rear of the motor omnibus and unless the goods are accompanied by a passenger travelling at the same time on the motor omnibus;

(d) not be under the influence of drink or drugs during his employment;

(e) wear his badge at all times and the whole of the writing on the badge shall be distinctly legible; and

(f) not permit any passenger to ride otherwise than inside the motor omnibus.

Motor omnibus to proceed direct to destination.

55. A person driving a motor omnibus or minibus on a road shall after leaving any parking station or terminal point along its route with passengers proceed direct to the place or places included in the route of the motor omnibus or minibus, and shall not delay in so doing, and shall not return to the place of departure after leaving it except on the return journey.

Entering or leaving bus.

56. The driver or conductor of a motor omnibus or minibus on a road shall not permit passengers to enter or leave the motor omnibus or minibus otherwise than by the entrance and exit provided in accordance with regulation 66.

Body and chassis.

57. The body of a motor omnibus or minibus shall be of a standard that is acceptable to the Board and be securely bolted and braced, and where it is necessary to extend the chassis frame the extension shall be inspected by a Vehicle Examiner before the body is finally bolted and braced to the frame.

Flooring.

58. A motor omnibus shall be so constructed that the height of the main floor measured at any point shall not exceed 2 feet 6 inches measured vertically from the surface of the road when the vehicle is fully loaded except that the Vehicle Examiner shall be empowered to pass vehicles as motor omnibuses with a greater height of flooring provided he is satisfied as to the stability and safety of the vehicle.

Fittings for motor omnibuses and public service vehicles.

59. (1) A motor omnibus shall be fitted with

(a) a device by which a passenger may signal to the driver or conductor when required,

(b) a speedometer, and

(c) a fire extinguisher,

and all the fittings shall be subject to the approval of the Vehicle Examiner and shall be kept in working order.

(2) A first aid kit approved by the Board must at all times be carried in a public service vehicle.

Seats and seating capacity.

60. (1) The width between the backs of seats when the seats are placed length-wise must be not less than fifty-six inches.

(2) When the seats are placed behind each other, the unimpeded distance available for the passage between the seats shall not be less than thirteen inches, while the distance between the backs of two seats so placed shall not be less than twenty-seven inches, and when seats are placed crosswise facing each other the unimpeded space between them shall not be less than twenty-six inches and the depth of each seat shall not be less than fourteen inches.

(3) The supports of all seats shall be firmly fixed in position and at least fifteen inches of unimpeded space allowed for each passenger measured along each seat.

Toe guards.

61. (1) Where running boards, steps or foot boards are fitted to the near or left side, or the rear of any motor omnibus, these must be fitted with a toe guard at least four inches above and to be the same length as the running board, step or foot-board and securely fastened to the running board, step or foot-board.

(2) No running board, step or foot-board shall be placed within six inches either side of the outer edge of the tyre on any wheel of the vehicle.

Driver's seat.

62. (1) The driver's seat shall not be less than two feet wide, and shall be so constructed that there is a space of at least one foot on each side of the steering column, the space between the rear lower part of the steering wheel and the top of the driver's seat (inclusive of any cushion) shall not be less than seven inches.

(2) The driver's seat shall slope backwards with a rake of one and a half inches per foot measured horizontally, the distance between the back part of the steering wheel and the back of the driver's seat shall not be less than thirteen inches.

(3) The driver's seat shall be divided off from that of the person sitting beside him on his left by a wooden partition not less than thirty inches high measured from the floor, and extending from the front of the front seat to the dashboard.

(4) In any case this partition is to have a clearance of not less than two inches to the left of the extreme left lever controlled by the driver.

(5) No passenger or other seat shall be placed to the right of the driver's seat.

Conductor's seat.

63. A fixed seat shall be provided for the conductor in every motor omnibus which shall not in any way interfere with the driver or passenger seating accommodation.

Front protection.

64. Where passengers are carried on the left or near side of the driver's side provision shall be made for a suitable guard, barrier or rail to be fitted, so that in the event of the omnibus stopping suddenly, the passenger or passengers cannot be thrown forward and out of the omnibus.

Internal height.

65. The internal height measured in the centre line of a motor omnibus from floor to lower edge of hoop sticks or other projections on the ceiling shall not be less than five feet six inches.

Entrances and exits.

66. (1) Entrance to and exit from a motor omnibus with enclosed sides shall be only through one door which shall be not less than twenty-eight inches wide and not less than five feet six inches high.

(2) This entrance and exit shall be on the near or left hand side of the vehicle, at the front or rear end, in addition there shall be an emergency exit of not less than twenty-eight inches wide and five feet six inches high which shall be a door, capable of being closed and bolted by any simple lever arrangements approved by the Vehicle Examiner.

(3) This emergency exit shall be in the centre of the rear end of the vehicle when the normal entrance and exit are at the rear of the near or left side of the vehicle, the emergency exit shall be at the front of the off or right side of the vehicle.

(4) Access to the driver's seat shall be through an entrance separate from that to the body of the vehicle used by passengers and conductors, unless otherwise approved by a Vehicle Examiner.

(5) All entrances and exits shall at all times be kept free from all obstructions including seats, luggage or any other thing whatsoever.

(6) All sides of the body of an enclosed motor omnibus excepting the spaces provided for doors in accordance with the above shall be closed with horizontal rails of metal or wood spaced not more than nine inches apart to two feet above the level of the seats and they shall not be moveable.

Glass.

67. No glass except that fitted to the lights of the vehicle shall be fitted to a motor omnibus unless it is non-splinterable glass approved by the Vehicle Examiner.

Saving as to freight passenger vehicles.

68. The Board in its discretion may exempt freight passenger vehicles from any of the provisions of these Regulations relating to a motor omnibus, having regard to the number of passengers and amount of loads to be carried by the vehicle and to the safety and convenience of the public.

Windscreens of public service vehicles.

69. No public service vehicle shall display anything on the front or back windscreen other than the permit disk or other sticker issued or approved by the Board.

Drivers of public service vehicles.

70. The driver of a public service vehicle shall comply with the following:

(a) he shall not use a horn or other instrument for the purpose of calling passengers;

(b) he shall not smoke whilst any passenger is being carried on the vehicle;

(c) he shall not make use to any passenger of any abusive language or insulting gestures;

(d) he shall not loiter for the purpose of procuring passengers or otherwise;

(e) he shall not, while waiting to pick up passengers, race his engine or make any loud or unnecessary noise with his engine;

(f) notwithstanding paragraph *(g)* he may at the request of any passenger immediately stop in order to enable the passenger to alight without causing any obstruction to the traffic;

(g) he shall not pickup or set down passengers elsewhere than at bus stops, public service vehicle stands or bus stations;

(h) he shall not in the City of St. John's draw up his motor omnibus or minibus on a road other than a public service vehicle stand appointed under these Regulations except for the purpose of taking on or discharging passengers;

(i) he shall maintain the public service vehicle in a clean and sanitary condition;

(j) he shall carry at least one spare inflated tyre fixed to the rim, spare wheel or other device capable of being fitted to a wheel or axle; and

(k) he may not play or permit to be played any amplified music.

Lost property.

71. Where any property is left by a passenger in a public service vehicle the driver of that vehicle shall within twenty-four hours deposit the property (if not sooner claimed) at the police station nearest to his residence.

Touting.

72. No owner, driver or conductor of a public service vehicle plying for hire, or any other person, may speak, make any noise, or sound any instrument in order to attract the attention of the public or of a possible passenger; or by persistent following hold out the vehicle for hire to the public in a manner that constitutes a nuisance or act in any way to cause annoyance or inconvenience to any person.

Refusal to hire motor vehicle.

73. The driver of a public service vehicle other than a motor omnibus or minibus (in these Regulations referred to as a "taxi") shall not without reasonable excuse

(a) refuse to be hired when the taxi is standing at a public stand;

(b) refuse or neglect to drive the taxi to any accessible place indicated by the hirer;

(c) refuse or neglect to carry the number of passengers, not exceeding the number specified in the motor vehicle licence, as he may be required to carry by the hirer;

or

(d) refuse or neglect to accept with a hirer a reasonable amount of luggage.

PART VII

MISCELLANEOUS

Offence and penalty.

74. A person who acts in contravention of or fails to comply with any of the provisions of these Regulations commits an offence and where no penalty is expressly provided is liable on summary conviction to a penalty of five thousand dollars or to imprisonment for twelve months or both.

SCHEDULE

[Regulations 4(1), 7, 11, 21, 23(2), 27(1), 28, 34(1), 36, 37(2), 38, 40(6), 44(1), 46, 47, 48(2), 50(1) and 51(1)]

A. FEES	$
1. Driver's Licence/Permit	
motor cycle (1 year)	50.00
motor cycle (3 years)	120.00
motor vehicle (private) (1 year)	60.00
motor vehicle (private) (3 years)	150.00
conductors	50.00
public service vehicle driver's permit (taxis)	200.00
public service vehicle driver's permit (motor omnibuses and mini buses)	300.00
learner's permit (6 months)	30.00
visitor's temporary licence	50.00
duplicate licence or permit	40.00
all group licence (1 year)	75.00
all group licence (3 years)	200.00

A. FEES		$
2.	Certificate of Competence	200.00
3.	Registration of Motor Vehicles and Registration Number Plates	100.00
4.	Transfer or Change of Registration	50.00
5.	Vehicle Examination Certificate	30.00
6.	Registration of Driving School	750.00
7.	Driving Test	30.00
8.	Bus Route Permit	100.00
9.	Limited Trade Plates (for each plate registered)	100.00
10.	Duplicate Limited Trade Licence Book	100.00
11.	For motor vehicle to carry a personalised registration number plate in addition to the duty payable in this Schedule	850.00

B. FORMS

FORM 1

[Regulation 27 (1)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD
VEHICLE REGISTRATION APPLICATION
(PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS)

DATE:_____

Print Full Name:_____

Address:_____Tel:_____

Vehicle Type	Year	Vehicle Identification Number	Colour	Registration Number Plate
Make	Model	Engine Number	Gross Weight	Sticker Number
Insurance Co.	Type of Ins.	Policy Number	Date Ins. Issued	Date Ins. Expired

USE OF VEHICLE: ☐ Private ☐ Commercial ☐ Taxi ☐ Bus ☐ Rental ☐ Government

Seating Capacity: _____

New	Renew	Transfer	Replacement Plates	Duplicate	Odometer Reading

Owner's Last Name	First Name	Male ☐ Female ☐	Eye Colour	Date of Birth

Owner

Sign Here: _____

FORM 2

[Regulation 11(1)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD

DRIVER'S LICENCE OR PERMIT APPLICATION

DATE: _____

NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

COUNTRY OF BIRTH _____ NATIONALITY: _____

TYPE OF DRIVERS LICENCE OR PERMIT REQUESTED

☐ Private Motor Car Licence ☐ Motor Cycle Licence ☐ Public Service Vehicle Permit

☐ Light & Heavy Goods Vehicle Licence ☐ Land & Motor Tractor Licence ☐ All Group Licence

☐ Learner's Permit ☐ Conductor's Licence

PRESENT DRIVERS LICENCE:

DATE ISSUED:_____DATE EXPIRES:_____NUMBER:_____
ISSUED BY:_____STATE:_____COUNTRY:_____

PREVIOUS DISQUALIFICATION

DATE DISQUALIFIED: FROM:_____TO:_____
DISQUALIFICATION IMPOSED BY:_____
STATE:_____ COUNTRY_____

DRIVING SCHOOL

NAME:_____TELEPHONE NO:_____
DATE STARTED:_____INSTRUCTOR:_____

DATE: _____

_____
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

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WRITTEN EXAM.	PASS	FAIL	PRACTICAL EXAM.	PASS	FAIL
DATE:	☐	☐	DATE:	☐	☐
DATE:	☐	☐	DATE:	☐	☐
DATE:	☐	☐	DATE:	☐	☐

DRIVER'S LICENCE: ISSUED ☐ REFUSED ☐ DATE:_____
REASON FOR REFUSAL:_____
_____
_____
SIGNED BY_____TITLE_____DATE_____

FORM 3

[Regulation 11(5)]

LICENCE TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE NO.....

TRANSPORT BOARD REGULATIONS, 1998
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Photo of Licence Holder

.....

of.....

(specify name, residential and postal address and occupation) is hereby authorized to drive a.....

(insert description *i.e.* private motor car, omnibus, taxi or goods vehicles) for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 19.....

Dated this.....day of.....19.....

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Receipt No..... Fee$.....

.....

Transport Board

This Licence No.....issued by the Board under the Transport Board Regulations, 1998 and is valid until the 31st day of December, 19.....

Dated this.....day of .....19.....

.....

Transport Board

Receipt No.....

FORM 4

[Regulation 11(5)]

LICENCE TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE NO.
TRANSPORT BOARD REGULATIONS, 1998

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

Antigua and Barbuda Flag	**ANTIGUA/BARBUDA DRIVER'S LICENCE**	Facsimile picture or photograph of licence holder

Name and Address of holder

Licence # - 00000077 Height of licence holder

Date Issued..... Expiration date

Date of Birth.....

Country of Birth..... Class.....

Rest.....

.....

Signature of Holder

REVERSE SIDE

IF FOUND PLEASE RETURN TO:

TRANSPORT BOARD OR POLICE DEPARTMENT

RESTRICTIONS

C - CORRECTIVE LENS P - PROSTHETIC N - NONE

FORM 5

[Regulation 11(1) & 21(2)]

Particulars to be given by Applicant for Conductor's Licence

Transport Board Regulations, 1998

Antigua and Barbuda

1. Full name of applicant.	
2. Postal address of residence of applicant.	
3. State date of birth of applicant.	
4. Are you the holder of a conductor's licence, or have you at any time previously been the holder of a conductor's licence? If so, state number and date of issue.	
5. State particulars of any endorsement on any conductor's or driver's licence which you hold or have previously held.	
6. Have you at any time been disqualified from obtaining a conductor's or driver's licence? If so, particulars as to the court by which, the date on which, and the period for which the disqualification was imposed.	

Signature of applicant.....

Date of application.....

FORM 6

[Regulation 44 (1)]

REGISTER TO BE KEPT BY VEHICLE EXAMINER

Number of Certificate Issued	Date of Inspection	Date Certifcate Issued	Registered Number of Vehicle	Name of Owner	Address of Owner	Type of Vehicle	No. of Passengers to be carried	Tare in Pounds	M.G.W. in Pounds	Remarks

FORM 7

[Regulation 44(1)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA NO:

MOTOR VEHICLE EXAMINER'S CERTIFICATE

Date Registered:.....Class of vehicle:.....

(1) Vehicle Identification Number:.....Registration Number Plate No:.....

Name of Owner:.....Address:.....

(2) Make of vehicle:.....Model:.....Capacity:.....

Year Manufactured:.....Type of body:.....Colour:.....

Unladen Weight:.....M.G.W:.....CC Rating:.....H.P:.....

Hand Drive:.....No. of Cylinders:.....Fuel:.....

(3) Insurance Company:.....Policy Number:.....

Date Expired:.....Recorded Mileage:.....

ITEMS TESTED	PASS	FAIL	REASON FOR FAILURE
LIGHTING EQUIPMENT			
Front & rear lamps etc.			
Headlamps: Low & High beams			
Stop lamps			
Front indicators			
Rear indicators			
STEERING SUSPENSION			
Steering control			
Transmission shaft			
Wheel bearings			
Front suspension			
Shock absorbers			
Wheel alignment			
BRAKES : ABS WARNING SYSTEM/CONTROLS			
Condition of service brake			
Condition of parking brake			
Service brake performance			

ITEMS TESTED	PASS	FAIL	REASON FOR FAILURE
TYRES AND WHEELS			
Tyre type			
Tyre condition			
Road wheels			
SEAT BELT			
GENERAL			
Driver's view of the road (Tinted window etc.)			
Horn/wiper, Fire extinguisher/First aid kit			
Exhaust System			
Registration Plates & VIN No.			
Mirrors & Gen. vehicle condition			

NOTE: FAILED VEHICLES MUST BE CORRECTED WITHIN TWO (2) WEEKS, AFTER TWO WEEKS, THE FULL FEE WILL BE CHARGED.

Signature of Vehicle Examiner **Name in BLOCK CAPITALS**

_____ Date: _____ _____

FORM 8

[Regulation 27(4)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD

VEHICLE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Registration No.

ATB No. Year.....

Vehicle Type	Year	Vehicle Identification Number	Colour	Registration Number Plate
Make	Model	Engine Number	Gross Weight	Sticker Number
Insurance Co.	Type of Ins.	Policy Number	Date Ins. Issued	Date Ins. Expires

New	Renew	Transfer	Replacement Plates	Duplicate	Record Mileage

Owner's Last Name	First Name	Male ☐ Female ☐	Eye Colour	Date of Birth

Name:

Address:

NOTE: Carry this vehicle registration certificate at all times on your person for presentation upon demand to a police officer or traffic warden.

FORM 9

[Regulation 46 (3)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD
APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC SERVICE ROUTE PERMIT

1. **OWNER**

NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____
ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE: H: _____ W: _____

2. **ROUTE REQUESTED: ST. JOHN'S TO** _____

3. **DRIVER (OWNER)**

DRIVERS LICENCE NO: _____ DATE ISSUED: _____ DATE EXPIRES: _____

TYPE OF LICENCE OR PERMIT: ☐ Private Motor Car Licence ☐ Motor Cycle Licence ☐ Public Service Vehicle Permit ☐ Light & Heavy Goods Vehicle Licence ☐ Land & Motor Tractor Licence ☐ All Group Licence ☐ Learner's Permit ☐ Conductor's Licence

4. **DRIVER (OTHER THAN OWNER)**

LICENCE NO: _____ DATE ISSUED: _____ DATE EXPIRES _____
NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ AGE _____

TYPE OF LICENCE OR PERMIT: ☐ Private Motor Car Licence ☐ Motor Cycle Licence ☐ Public Service Vehicle Permit ☐ Light & Heavy Goods Vehicle Licence ☐ Land & Motor Tractor Licence ☐ All Group Licence ☐ Learner's Permit ☐ Conductor's Licence

5. **VEHICLE**

MAKE OF VEHICLE:_____AGE:_____
MODEL:_____YEAR MANUFACTURED_____
COLOUR:_____LIC. PLATE NO:_____SEATING CAPACITY_____

6. **INSURANCE**

INSURANCE COMPANY:_____POLICY NO:_____
COVERAGE: ☐COMPREHENSIVE ☐THIRD PARTY ☐ACT DATE EXPIRES:_____

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☐ **Application Denied** **Date:**_____
☐ **Application Approved** **Date:** _____
☐ **Hold for future consideration** **Date:** _____

Signature: _____**Title:** _____**Date:** _____

FORM 10

[Regulation 46(7)]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD

BUS ROUTE PERMIT

DATE ISSUED: _____DATE EXPIRES: _____
BUS NUMBER: _____LICENCE PLATE NO:_____
TYPE OF VEHICLE:_____SEATING CAPACITY:_____
NAME OF OWNER:_____ADDRESS:_____
DRIVER'S LICENCE NO:_____DATE EXPIRES:_____
NAME OF DRIVER: _____ADDRESS: _____
DRIVER'S LICENCE NO: _____DATE EXPIRES: _____
ASSIGNED ROUTE:

_____
GENERAL MANAGER

FORM 11

[Regulation 7]

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA TRANSPORT BOARD
DRIVING SCHOOL REGISTRATION



I NAME OF OPERATOR: _____ ADDRESS: _____
NAME OF BUSINESS: _____ ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: HOME _____ BUSINESS _____
FAX: _____ CELLULAR: _____ BEEPER: _____

II DRIVER'S LICENCE NO: _____ DATE ISSUED: _____
DESCRIPTION: _____ DATE EXPIRED: _____
CLASS: _____ PASSPORT NO: _____ DOB _____
PLACE OF BIRTH: _____ CITIZENSHIP: _____
SOCIAL SECURITY NO: _____ MEDICAL BENEFIT NO: _____
PROFESSION/OCCUPATION: _____ YEARS: _____

III NAME AND ADDRESSES OF THREE REFERENCES:

_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____

IV INSTRUCTORS EMPLOYED BY THE COMPANY:

_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____
_____ _____ _____

V BUSINESS ASSOCIATES:

1. NAME: _____ 2. NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

3. NAME: _____ 4. NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____ ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

VI LIABILITY INSURANCE:
INSURANCE COMPANY: _____ ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: _____ NAME OF AGENT: _____
SUM INSURED: $_____ EFFECTIVE DATE: _____ EXPIRED: _____

SIGNATURE: _____
APPLICANT

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APPROVED: ☐ DATE: _____
HOLD: ☐ REASON: _____
_____ DATE: _____
DENIED: ☐ REASON: _____
_____ DATE: _____

PROCESSING FEES: _____ RECEIPT NO: _____ DATE: _____

REMARKS: _____
_____
_____
EXAMINER

C. REGISTRATION NUMBER PLATES

[Regulation 28(2)]

Provisions to be complied with:

Each plate must be rectangular and bear upon it in the case of

(a) private motor cars, motor lorries and motor cycles, the index mark "A";

(b) vehicles owned by Government or a Statutory Authority, the index mark "G";

(c) vehicles used primarily for commercial purposes, the index mark "C";

(d) vehicles used primarily as taxis, the index mark "TAXI";

(e) self drive hire vehicles, the index mark "R";

(f) vehicles used primarily as buses, the index mark "BUS";

(g) limited trade plates for use by vehicle dealers and traders, the index mark "D";

(h) vehicles owned by a diplomat or head of mission, the index mark "CD",

as well as in each of the above cases the separate number (from the number "1" to the number "9999") assigned to the motor vehicle by the Board the index mark and number being arranged in conformity with the arrangement of letters and figures shown in the following diagram:



The diagram above is drawn approximately to a scale of one third. The actual size of the plate will, however, differ according to the number of letters and figures required.

ZONE #1 ST. JOHN'S TO ENGLISH HARBOUR

BUS NUMBER	DESTINATION
10	Bendals
12	Seaview Farm, Freemans Village
13	Buckleys, Swetes, John Hughes
15	All Saints, Liberta, Horsford Hill, Falmouth, Cobbs Cross, English Harbour

ZONE #2 ST. JOHN'S TO OLD ROAD

BUS NUMBER	DESTINATION
20	Golden Grove, Ebenezer, Jennings, Bolans
22	Crabb Hill, Johnson's Point, Urlings, Old Road

ZONE #3 ST. JOHN'S TO FREETOWN

BUS NUMBER	DESTINATION
30	St. Johnson's Village, Potters
31	Parham
33	Pares, Glanvilles, Seatons, Willikies
34	Bethesda
35	Newfield, St. Phillips, Freetown

ROUTE #4 ST. JOHN'S TO COOLIDGE

ROUTE NUMBERS	DESTINATION
40	Cassada Gardens, Pigotts
41	Barnes Hill, New Winthorpes
42	Coolidge

ZONE #5 ST. JOHN'S TO CEDAR GROVE

ROUTE NUMBERS	DESTINATION
50	Yorks
55	Woods, Friars Hill, Cedar Valley, Longfords, Cedar Grove

ZONE #6 ST. JOHN'S TO FIVE ISLANDS

ROUTE NUMBERS	DESTINATION
61	Union Road, Cooks Hill, Five Islands

E. FARES (ONE WAY) [Regulation 47]

ZONE #1: ST. JOHN'S TO ENGLISH HARBOUR	
STOPPING POINT	**FARE**
OTTOS	$1.25
BENDALS CORNER	$1.25

STOPPING POINT	FARE
CASHEW HILL	$1.25
BENDALS	$1.40
BELMONT	$1.25
BUCKLEYS	$1.60
CLARKES HILL	$1.40
SEA VIEW FARM	$1.50
LIGHTFOOT	$1.50
FREEMANS VILLAGE	$1.60
JONAS ROAD	$1.70
ALL SAINTS VILLAGE	$1.60
MATTHEWS	$1.70
SWETES	$1.70
JOHN HUGHES	$2.20
TYRELLS	$1.80
LIBERTA	$1.80
HORSFORD HILL	$2.00
FALMOUTH	$2.20
COBBS CROSS	$2.30
ENGLISH HARBOUR	$2.40
ZONE #2: FROM ST. JOHN'S TO OLD ROAD	
GOLDEN GROVE	$1.25
EBENEZER	$1.40
JENNINGS	$1.50
BOLANS	$1.55
CRABB HILL	$1.80
JOHNSON'S POINT	$1.90
URLINGS	$2.00
OLD ROAD	$2.50
ZONE #3: FROM ST. JOHN'S TO FREETOWN	
HOSPITAL	$1.25
ST. JOHNSON'S VILLAGE	$1.25

STOPPING POINT	FARE
POTTERS	$1.25
PAYNTERS	$1.25
SUGAR FACTORY	$1.35
PARHAM HILL	$1.70
PARHAM	$1.80
PARES	$1.80
GLANVILLES	$1.90
SEATONS	$2.00
WILLIKIES	$2.15
DIAMONDS ESTATE	$1.90
BETHESDA	$2.00
CHRISTIAN HILL	$2.00
NEWFIELD	$2.00
ST. PHILLIPS	$2.00
FREETOWN	$2.50
HALFMOON BAY	$2.50
ZONE # 4: FROM ST. JOHN'S TO COOLIDGE	
CASSADA GARDENS	$1.25
PIGOTTS	$1.40
NEW WINTHROPES	$1.50
BARNES HILL	$1.50
COOLIDGE	$1.40
ZONE # 5: FROM ST. JOHN'S TO CEDAR GROVE	
YORKS	$1.25
WOODS	$1.25
FRIARS HILL	$1.30
CEDAR VALLEY	$1.35
LONGFORDS	$1.35
CEDAR GROVE	$1.40

ZONE # 6: FROM ST. JOHN'S TO FIVE ISLANDS

STOPPING POINT	FARE
UNION ROAD	$1.25
HATTON	$1.25
COOKS	$1.25
FIVE ISLANDS	$1.40

F. PARKING STATIONS [Regulation 50]

IN THE CITY OF ST JOHN'S

1. EAST BUS STATION. On the road which runs south-east from the War Memorial and to the West of the Botanical Gardens from a point of 200 feet south-east of the Memorial to a point on the same road, 200 feet further from the Memorial.

   (a) Motor omnibuses at this station shall park only in one line on the west side of the road and shall not obstruct the passage of other vehicles travelling on the road.

   (b) Motor omnibuses shall enter this station only from the easterly direction and leave it by the same direction.

2. WEST BUS STATION. On that portion of unoccupied land on the west side of the Kentish Village road and immediately north of the WEST BUS STATION.

   (a) Motor omnibuses shall enter this station at the south east corner and leave this station at the north-east corner by the roads provided.

   (b) When parked in this station buses shall stand in one or more lines as may be necessary.

Made this 29th day of April, 1999.

Robin Yearwood,
Minister responsible for Transportation.

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