

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(Cap 69:01)

ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 1992
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ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

REGULATION

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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 128 of the Road Traffic Act, the Minister of Works, Transport and Communications hereby makes the following Regulations —

Citation and com- mencement	1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Amendment) Regulations, 1992, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may by notice in the Gazette appoint.
Replacement of regulation 5 Cap 69:01 Sub. leg.	2. The Road Traffic Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the Regulations", are amended by substituting for regulation 5 thereof the following new regulation — "Registration number
	5. (1) The registration number of a motor vehicle or trailer, other than a Government, a Botswana Defence Force or a diplomatic vehicle or trailer, assigned in terms of section 6(5) of the Act shall bear the capital letter "B", followed by a three figure number allocated by the Registrar, such number being not less than the number 101, followed by three capital letters, which letters shall not include the letter "Q". (2) In the case of diplomatic vehicles and trailers, the initial letter "B" referred to in subregulation (1) shall be replaced by the letters "CD", "CDA" or "CDM" preceded or followed by such numbers as may be allocated by the Ministry of External Affairs. (3) Vehicles owned or used by the Government, other than vehicles used by the Botswana Defence Force, shall bear the letters BX followed by such numbers as may be allocated by the Government. (4) Vehicles used by the Botswana Defence Force, shall bear the letters BDF followed by such numbers as may be allocated thereto."

3. Regulation 6(1) of the Regulations is amended —
- (a) by substituting for paragraph (c) thereof the following new paragraph — Amendment
of regulation
6 (1)
“(c) in the case of a motor-cycle, the front plate may conform to the curvature of the mudguard of the front wheel, or there may be affixed to the mudguard of the front wheel, two rectangular plates, one on either side thereof, and so arranged that the letters and numerals are upright and clearly visible from both sides of such motor-cycle;”;
- (b) by substituting for paragraphs (l) and (m) thereof the following new paragraph —
“(l) the space between a preceding letter or the last of preceding letters and the first of following numbers, as the case may be, and between the last of preceding numbers and the first of any following letters, shall be not less than 25mm.”.
4. The Regulations are amended by substituting for regulation 7 the following new regulation — Replacement
of regulation 7
“Validity of licences 7. The validity of vehicle licences issued under Part III of the Act shall run from the beginning of the month in which they become effective, until the last day of the previous month in the following year.”
5. Regulation 8 of the Regulations is amended by substituting for subregulation (2) thereof the following new subregulation — Amendment
of regulation 8
“(2) The penalty referred to in subregulation (1) shall be equal to one twelfth of the appropriate fee set out in the First Schedule, multiplied by the number of months, inclusive of the month in which the renewal is sought, which have elapsed since the validity of the licence expired, calculated to the nearest Pula.”.
6. The Regulations are amended by the deletion of regulation 9 therefrom. Deletion of
regulation 9
7. The Regulations are amended by the deletion of the Third Schedule therefrom. Deletion of
Third
Schedule
8. The Regulations are amended by substituting for the Fourth Schedule thereof the following new Schedule — Replacement
of Fourth
Schedule

“FOURTH SCHEDULE
(regulation 6(1)(n))

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9. The amendments to regulations 5 and 6 of the Regulations introduced by regulations 2 and 3 of these Regulations, shall apply to all vehicles with effect from the commencement of these Regulations: Savings
Provided that a motor vehicle validly registered at the date of such commencement shall not be required to be re-registered, and may continue to bear its original number plates until it next requires to be re-licensed.

MADE this 19th day of June, 1992

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Communications.*