

ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1975

No. 28



of 1975

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title
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3. Substitution of section 4 of principal Act
4. Amendment of section 30 of principal Act

An Act to amend the Road Traffic Act, 1972

Date of Assent: 5.8.75

Date of Commencement: 15.8.75.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 1975. Short title

2. Section 2 (1) of the Road Traffic Act, 1972, (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), is amended — Amendment of section 2 of Act 43 of 1972

(a) by inserting in its appropriate alphabetical position the new definition following —

““combination of vehicles” means coupled vehicles which travel on the road as a unit;”;

(b) by substituting for the definition of “heavy commercial vehicle”, which appears therein, the new definition following —

““heavy commercial vehicle” means a commercial vehicle the permissible maximum gross weight of which exceeds 3 500 kilograms;”;

- (c) by inserting in its appropriate alphabetical position the new definition following —
 ““light vehicle” means a motor vehicle other than a motor cycle having a permissible maximum weight not exceeding 3 500 kilograms;”;
- (d) by substituting for the definition “light commercial vehicle”, which appears therein, the new definition following —
 ““light commercial vehicle” means a commercial vehicle having a permissible maximum weight not exceeding 3 500 kilograms;”;
- (e) by substituting for the definition “motor cycle”, which appears therein, the new definition following —
 ““motor cycle” means a two or three-wheeled vehicle the unladen weight of which does not exceed 400 kilograms and which is equipped with a propelling engine;”;
- (f) by substituting for the definition “tare weight”, which appears therein, the new definition following —
 ““tare weight” means the weight of a vehicle when unladen without the crew, passengers or load, but with a full standard supply of fuel and with the tools and spare parts which the vehicle normally carries;”.

Substitution
of section 4
of principal
Act

3. The principal Act is amended by substituting for section 4 thereof the new section following —

“Classifi-
cation of
motor
vehicles

4. For the purposes of this Act and any regulations thereunder, motor vehicles shall be divided into the following classes —

- (a) motor cycles —
 - (i) not exceeding 50 cubic centimetres engine capacity;
 - (ii) exceeding 50 cubic centimetres engine capacity;
- (b) light vehicles —
 - (i) light commercial vehicles;
 - (ii) motor cars;
- (c) heavy commercial vehicles;
- (d) motor omnibuses;
- (e) combination of vehicles of which the drawing vehicle is in one of the classes (b) to (d) inclusive but which are not themselves in that class;
- (f) tractors;
- (g) invalid carriages;

(h) special types of motor vehicles as may be specially authorized by the Registrar.”

4. The proviso to section 30 (1) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “motor-cycles”, which appear therein, the words “and tractors.”

Amendment
of section 30
of principal
Act

Passed by the National Assembly this 21st day of July, 1975.

I.P. GONTSE,
Clerk of the National Assembly.