

GUYANA

Bill No.3 of 2016

MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 2016

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 28 of the Principal Act.
3. Amendment of the First Schedule to the Principal Act.

A BILL
Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

- A.D. 2016
- Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-
- Short title. Cap. 51:02
1. This Act, which amends the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, may be cited as the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2016.
- Amendment of section 28 of the Principal Act.
2. Section 28(1) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in the proviso immediately after the word "State" the words "or any other person who is sixty-five years old and over".
- Amendment of the First Schedule to the Principal Act.
3. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by the substitution for it of the following Schedule -

"FIRST SCHEDULE

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LICENCE FEES IN RESPECT OF VEHICLES

Vehicles solely for private use in carrying persons or for broadcasting purposes.

1. For each motor cycle:-

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| (a) having 2 wheels and not exceeding 200 pounds | 1,500 | \$ |
| (b) having 3 wheels 2,250 | | |
| (c) having 2 wheels and exceeding 200 pounds | 3,000 | |

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2. For each motor vehicle other than a motor cycle:—	
(a) not exceeding 2240 pounds	3,000
(b) exceeding 2240 pounds and not exceeding 3,000 pounds	3,750
(c) exceeding 3,000 pounds and not exceeding 4,000 pounds	6,000
(d) exceeding 4,000 pounds and not exceeding 5,000 pounds	9,000
(e) exceeding 5,000 pounds	15,000

Passenger vehicle for hire or reward

3. For each hire car:—	
(a) not exceeding 2240 pounds	6,000
(b) exceeding 2240 pounds and not exceeding 3,000 pounds	6,750
(c) exceeding 3,000 pounds	7,500
4. (a) For each motor bus used solely in Georgetown or New Amsterdam and seating:—	
(i) not more than 14 passengers	7,425
(ii) more than 14 passengers	14,040
(b) For each motor bus used elsewhere and seating:—	
(i) not more than 14 passengers	7,425
(ii) more than 14 passengers	14,040

Goods Vehicles

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5. For each goods vehicle:—

(a) not exceeding 1120 pounds unladen weight 3,750

(b) exceeding 1120 pounds but not exceeding 2240 pounds

unladen weight 6,750

(c) exceeding 2240 pounds but not exceeding 4,480 pounds

unladen weight 13,500

(d) exceeding 4,480 pounds but not exceeding 8,960 pounds

unladen weight 16,500

(e) exceeding 8,960 pounds but not exceeding 13,440 pounds

unladen weight 37,500

(f) exceeding 13,440 pounds unladen weight 45,000

Provided that:

(i) for a motor lorry exceeding four tons, but not

exceeding six tons payload, the licence

fee shall be 37,500

(ii) for a motor lorry exceeding six tons payload,

the licence fee shall be 45,000

(iii)for an articulated vehicle* the unladen weight of which exceeds 11,200pounds the licence fee shall be 52,500

OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES

- 6. (a) for any agricultural motor tractor and trailer which are used for the sole purpose of carrying agricultural machinery, appliances and produce or any of them to or from, or to and from, any cultivated plantation, lot or farm within a radius of 6 miles thereof but not in Georgetown or New Amsterdam 5,400
- (b) for any agricultural motor tractor used alone for the said purpose 900
- 7. For each motor hearse 1,800
- 8. For each motor vehicle used solely for the serving of equipment or machinery 4,500
- 9. For each mechanically propelled crane, hoist, compressor, bulldozer or similar vehicle used in connection with construction, which is not in itself designed or constructed to carry any load other than loose tools and equipment 1,800
- 10. (a) For trailer used in connection with a motor car:-
 - (i) having two wheels 540
 - (ii) having more than two wheels 900

(b) For each trailer capable of being attached to any vehicle, other than a motor tractor or motor car and not constructed as a permanent attachment to that vehicle 1,080

11. For each ATV 2,250

Provided that:

(a) no licence fee shall be payable in respect of any invalid carriage;

(b) no licence shall be required for any motor vehicle or trailer if used only within the bounds of any sugarcane plantation, wood cutting grant, cattle farm, lot or farm under cultivation, cocoa estate, rubber estate, private grant, mining or placer claim;

(c) in item 4, "passengers", include the driver;

(d) the Minister may, by order, define districts in which the fee for any trailer used in connection with a motor car shall be one half of the appropriate amount set out in item 10

(a);

(e) for any trailer fitted with tyres other than pneumatic tyres, the fee shall be twice the appropriate amount set out in item 10;

(f) no licence fee shall be payable for any motor vehicle or trailer

kept for use exclusively on roads and trails, or any of them, in any district defined by the Minister by order, which shall come, or be deemed to have come into operation on such day, being

the first day of any quarter not earlier than the commencement of the year in which the order is made, as shall be specified therein. Where there has been payment for any motor vehicle or trailer of a licence fee from which the motor vehicle or trailer is, upon the application of the licence holder shown to the satisfaction of the licensing officer to have, by virtue of any such order published in *the Gazette* after the payment in question, been exempted to the extent of any amount so paid in respect of any period commencing on or after the coming into operation of the order, such amount shall pursuant to the said application, and upon surrender of the licence if such period is unexpired, be refunded by or on the authority of the Licensing Authority; and any decision of the licensing officer with which the applicant is dissatisfied shall be subject to appeal, which shall lie in the like manner as an appeal under the proviso to section 18(3) against refusal to issue a licence.

B—OTHER FEES

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SECTIONS

5. For registration:-	
of motor cycle	1,000
of other motor vehicles	2,000
of trailer	600

For copy of entry in motor vehicles register 1,000

9. For transfer of registration:-

of motor cycle 500
of other motor vehicles 1,000
of trailer 300

14. For certificate of fitness:—

for examination of two-wheeled motor cycle 1,000

for examination of motor car or three-wheeled

motor cycle 2,000

for examination of motor lorry or motor bus 3,000

for examination of hire car 1,500

for examination of articulated vehicles* 4,000

for examination of any other goods vehicle 3,000

for examination of other motor vehicle or trailer 1,000

21. For dealer's general licence 200,000

For each dealer's general identification mark 20,000

26. For learner's provisional licence 2,000

27. For driver's test of competence 3,000

28. For driver's licence 4,000

78. For conductor's licence 1,000

80. For licence to drive a hire car 3,000

81. For licence to drive a hire car
(for any period not exceeding seven days) 2,000

81. For the issue of an identification mark
for a hire car being used in the manner
contemplated by section 81(1).

This fee shall be refunded upon the return of
the identification mark to the licensing officer 2,000

105. For duplicate licence or certificate Same fee as for original

For the purpose of this Schedule –

*“articulated vehicle” means any motor vehicle with a trailer drawn
thereby which is so constructed and by partial super-imposition
attached to the motor vehicle that a substantial part of the
weight of the trailer is borne by the motor vehicle;

“the payload” of a motor lorry is the gross weight thereof as specified
by the manufacturer less the unladen weight.”.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend section 28 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap. 51:02, to provide for an exemption to a person who is sixty-five years and over from the payment of the prescribed fee for a driver’s licence.

This Bill also seeks to substitute for the First Schedule to the Act of a new Schedule which increases certain licence fees and other fees with respect to vehicles.

Hon. Winston Jordan M.P.
Minister of Finance.