

# ROAD TRAFFIC (VEHICLES) ACT 2012

Road Traffic (Vehicles) Regulations 2014

### RTVR-2017-202018

### DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 227(a) OF EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND APPROVAL UNDER REGULATION 327(3)(a) FOR CERTAIN EMERGENCY VEHICLES TO FIT RED, BLUE AND WHITE FLASHING WARNING LIGHTS

Pursuant to the *Road Traffic (Vehicles) Regulations 2014* (the Regulations), I, Nathan Riches, Assistant Director Strategy and Policy, Driver and Vehicle Services, Department of Transport, and delegate of the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Transport by way of a delegation instrument dated 3 January 2017, hereby:

- a) declare the following vehicles to be emergency vehicles pursuant to regulation 227(a) of the Regulations:
  - i. vehicles operated by a SES Unit under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1998* (FES Act); and
  - ii. vehicles operated by a FES Unit under the FES Act,

and

b) approve the fitment of red, blue or white flashing warning lights, or a combination thereof, to the vehicles listed at a) above, pursuant to regulation 327(3)(a) of the Regulations.

"SES Unit" and "FES Unit" have the meaning ascribed to them in section 3 of the FES Act.

This declaration and approval is subject to the following conditions:

### CONDITIONS

- 1. Warning lights must emit rotating, flashing coloured light(s) and must not be a strobe light.
- 2. At least one light shall be mounted on top of the vehicle and when lit, shall be visible in normal daylight up to a distance of not less than 200 metres to vehicles approaching from any direction.
- 3. No part of the lens of the lights is visible either directly or indirectly to the driver when seated in the normal driving position.
- 4. If more than one warning light is fitted, they must be placed symmetrically about the centre line of the vehicle or combination of vehicles.
- 5. An on/off switch for the flashing warning lights must be installed so as to be easily operated from the driver's seat.
- 6. Any additional equipment fitted to the vehicle must not interfere with the overall safe operation of the vehicle.



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7. All Department of Fire and Emergency Services procedures and protocols for the fitment of warning lights on emergency vehicles are adhered to at all times.

Nathan Riches A/Assistant Director Strategy and Policy Driver and Vehicle Services Department of Transport

Dated the <u>27</u> day of <u>July</u> 2017



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## ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1974

Road Traffic Code 2000

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### AUTHORISATION OF STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE AND FIRE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLES AS EMERGENCY VEHICLES UNDER REGULATION 3

Pursuant to the *Road Traffic Code 2000* (the Code), I, Nathan Riches, Assistant Director Strategy and Policy, Driver and Vehicle Services, Department of Transport, and delegate of the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Transport by way of a delegation instrument dated 3 January 2017, hereby:

- a) authorise the following vehicles to be emergency vehicles for the purpose of the Code pursuant to regulation 3(e) of the Code:
  - (i) vehicles operated by a SES Unit under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1998* (FES Act); and
  - (ii) vehicles operated by a FES Unit under the FES Act,

and

b) approve the use of red, blue or white flashing warning lights, or a combination thereof, on a vehicle listed at a) above pursuant to regulation 289(1)(a)(ii) and 289(1)(b) of the Code.

SES Unit and FES Unit have the meaning ascribed to them in section 3 of the FES Act.

This authorisation and approval is subject to the following conditions:

#### CONDITIONS

- 1. This authorisation and approval only applies to vehicles while they are operating in relation to their duties under the FES Act and are travelling in order to attend at an emergency or rescue operation where human life is reasonably considered to be in immediate danger.
- Vehicles operating under the provisions of this authorisation shall do so in accordance with all Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) procedures and protocols for the operation of "emergency vehicles". These shall include, but are not limited to, DFES operating rules pertaining to record keeping, decision making, driver training, and driving standards and techniques.

Nathan Riches A/Assistant Director Strategy and Policy Driver and Vehicle Services Department of Transport

Dated the <u>27</u> day of <u>July</u> 2017