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

Pursuant to Regulation 327(3)(a) of the Road Traffic (Vehicles) Regulations 2014, I Steve Mitchinson, General Manager, Driver and Vehicle Services, Department of Transport, pursuant to a delegation from the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Transport, dated 3 January 2017, hereby approve the fitment of red, blue or white flashing warning lights, or a combination thereof, to the following emergency vehicles as defined by regulation 226(a) to (d) ('Approved Vehicles'):

(a) A police vehicle ordinarily used by police officers in the course of carrying out their duties; or
(b) A vehicle operated by —
   (i) a fire brigade under the Fire Brigades Act 1942; or
   (ii) a bush fire brigade under the Bush Fires Act 1954; or
   (iii) the department of the Public Service principally assisting in the administration of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1998, and ordinarily used by members of the brigade or members of staff of that department in the course of carrying out their duties; or
   (c) an ambulance; or
   (d) an emergency vehicle within the meaning of a corresponding law,

subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. The 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.

Steve Mitchinson  
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Dated the ______ day of _______ 2017