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ROAD SAFETY (VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 2009

Transportation of Trailable Yachts

1. Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to declare that combinations consisting of a motor vehicle and trailer, with the trailer being built specifically for the purpose of transporting a yacht, are exempt from the maximum rear overhang permitted by regulation 169(3) of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009 (in this notice to be referred to as the **Vehicles Regulations**).

2. Authorising provision

This notice is made under regulation 178 of the Vehicles Regulations.

Regulation 178 of the Vehicles Regulations provides that the Roads Corporation, by a notice published in the Government Gazette, may exempt a category of class 1 vehicles from any of the following requirements set out in Schedule 7 –

- (a) a mass or dimension limit, other than a limit that relates to a Gross Vehicle Mass ('GVM'), a Gross Combination Mass ('GCM') or a manufacturer's limit; or
- (b) any other requirement.

3. Commencement

This notice comes into operation on 9 November 2009.

4. Revocation

The notice published in Government Gazette No. S 33 on 19 February 2009 entitled 'Notice Concerning the Transportation of Trailable Yachts – Class 1 Notice for Trailable Yachts' is revoked.

5. Expiry

This notice expires on 9 November 2014.

6. Declaration

In accordance with regulation 178 of the Vehicles Regulations, I, George Mavroyeni, delegate of the Roads Corporation, declare that combinations consisting of a motor vehicle and trailer, the trailer being built specifically for the purpose of transporting a yacht, are exempt from the maximum rear overhang permitted by regulation 169(3) of the Vehicles Regulations as follows –

- (a) The maximum rear overhang for a trailer with only one axle group or a single axle, other than a semi-trailer, is the lesser of –
 - (i) the length of the load carrying area, or body, ahead of the rear overhang line; or
 - (ii) 3.7 metres.

This declaration is subject to the following conditions –

- (a) the trailer must only be used to transport a yacht, including any mast on the yacht; and
- (b) the distance between the centre of the trailer's axle or axle group and the rearmost part of the yacht on the trailer, including any mast, must not exceed 5.0 metres; and
- (c) only the yacht, including any mast (not the trailer) can exceed 3.7 metres in rear overhang; and

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- (d) the portion of the yacht, including any mast, that exceeds a rear overhang of 3.7 metres must not exceed 2.0 metres wide; and
- (e) the mast when secured, or any part of the yacht, must not extend more than 1.2 metres forward of the point of articulation between the trailer and the towing vehicle; and
- (f) the length of the laden trailer (generally the length of the mast) must not exceed 14.7 metres; and
- (g) the trailer must exert a positive downward force on the towing vehicle's trailer coupling; and
- (h) the registered operator of the motor vehicle must ensure that the combination can be safely operated on its intended routes.

Note: Words and phrases in this notice have the same meanings as in the **Road Safety Act 1986** and the Regulations under that Act.

Dated 9 November 2009

GEORGE MAVROYENI
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Roads Corporation

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