WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

PURSUANT to sections 152 and 155(a) and (b) of the Land Transport Act 1998

I, Simon Bridges, Associate Minister of Transport,

HEREBY make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 25th day of September 2012

Simon Bridges
Associate Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors Amendment 2012 amends Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999 (the Glazing Rule). The Glazing Rule establishes minimum safety levels for glazing, if fitted in a vehicle, ensuring adequate levels of visibility and structural strength. It also sets out requirements for windscreen wipe systems and, for vehicles manufactured from 1992, windscreen wash systems, as well as requirements and standards for rear-view mirrors.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to reduce compliance requirements for motorsports vehicles by excepting those vehicles when being driven on the road from the prohibition on having identifying stickers applied to the rear side and rear windows.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the Glazing Rule and nine other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single Rule, Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2012 (the Omnibus Amendment Rule).

On 17 May 2012, the NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2500 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZ Transport Agency’s Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also made available on the NZ Transport Agency’s website. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the New Zealand Gazette.
The NZ Transport Agency received 27 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 14 commented on the proposed amendment to the Glazing Rule.

Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into 10 separate amendment Rules, including this Rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in finalising this Rule before it was submitted to the Associate Minister of Transport for signing.
Section 1  Application

1.1  Title

This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors Amendment 2012*.

1.2  Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 November 2012.

1.3  Scope of Rule

This Rule amends *Land Transport Rule: Glazing, Windscreen Wipe and Wash, and Mirrors 1999*. 
Section 2  Amendment to Rule requirements

2.1  Modifications

Replace clause 3.1(7)(b), with:

“(b) stickers may be applied only if:

“(i) they are allowed or required by or under any Act, regulation or rule; or

“(ii) they are wholly within 100 mm from any edge of the glazing; or

“(iii) they are required by any motorsport competition rule or regulation and are attached to a motorsport vehicle that is operated in accordance with the conditions of a valid low volume vehicle authority card issued for that vehicle in accordance with the Low Volume Vehicle Code.”.