

#### WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

**PURSUANT** to sections 152 and 158 of the Land Transport Act 1998

I, Steven Joyce, Minister of Transport,

HEREBY make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

This I.I.d. day of 2011 Steven Joyce Minister of Transport

Land Transport Rule Operator Licensing Amendment (No 2) 2011 Rule 81001/6

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# Operator Licensing Amendment (No 2) 2011

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### **Objective of the Rule**

Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing Amendment (No 2) 2011 amends Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing 2007 ('the Rule'). The Rule sets out the requirements for obtaining and retaining a licence to operate a passenger, rental, vehicle recovery, or goods service. It also contains requirements that apply to transport service drivers, dial-a-driver service drivers, hirers of rental service vehicles, and approved taxi organisations (ATOs).

The objective of the amendment Rule is:

- to require a taxi driver to inform his or her ATO of the driver's log-on/log-off times;
- to update the Rule to reflect the new 'metropolitan urban limits' of Auckland City and replace the former city names.

### Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing 2007 and 10 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single draft Rule, Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2011 (the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule).

On 1 June 2011, the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2200 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The draft Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZTA Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also made available on the NZTA's website. The availability of the draft for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the *New Zealand Gazette*. The NZTA received 17 submissions on the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which nine commented on the proposed amendments to the Rule.

Following consultation, the provisions in the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into 11 separate amendment Rules, including this Rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in finalising this amendment Rule before it was submitted to the Minister of Transport for signing.

| Section 1 | Application  |  |
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| 1.1       | Title  |  |
|           | This Rule is Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing Amendment (No 2) 2011.  |  |
| 1.2       | Date when Rule comes into force  |  |
|           | This Rule comes into force on 1 October 2011.  |  |
| 1.3       | Scope of Rule  |  |
|           | This Rule amends <i>Land Transport Rule: Operator Licensing 2007.</i>  |  |
| Section 2 | Amendment to Rule<br>requirements  |  |
| 2.1       | Duties of driver relating to hiring  |  |
|           | <i>Clause 4.4</i> is amended by inserting the following subclause:   |  |
|           | "4.4(7) A taxi driver must notify the approved taxi organisation at the time when he or she logs on and logs off."   |  |
| Section 3 | Amendments to Schedules  |  |
| 3.1       | Schedules to be amended  |  |
|           | <i>Schedules 4</i> and <i>5</i> are amended by substituting the following for the items relating to 'Auckland':  |  |
|           | "Auckland metropolitan:  |  |
|           | "The area within the Metropolitan Urban Limits<br>as defined in the Auckland Regional Policy<br>Statement issued by Auckland Council, including<br>Auckland International Airport and its precinct |  |

but excluding Waiheke Island, Orewa and Whangaparoa."