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Chapter:	123	Title:	BUILDINGS ORDINANCE	Gazette Number:	L.N. 172 of 1998
Section:	16	Heading:	Grounds on which approval or consent may be refused	Version Date:	01/04/1998

Remarks:

1. The amendments to this section made by Ord. No. 54 of 1996 s. 16 (in relation to the addition of new section 16(3)(bb) and (bc) except provisions in such section relating to registered specialist contractors) have come into operation on 22 December 1997.
2. Amendments retroactively made - see 29 of 1998 s. 25
3. Remaining amendments to this section made by Ord. No. 54 of 1996 s.16 have commenced operation since 1 April 1998.

(1) The Building Authority may refuse to give his approval of any plans of building works where-

(a) the plans are not such as are prescribed by regulations or are not such as he may have required under this section;

(b) the plans are not endorsed with or accompanied by a certificate from the Director of Fire Services certifying either-

(i) that, having regard to the purpose to which the building is intended to be put (which purpose shall be stated in the certificate), no fire service installation or equipment is necessary in connexion with the building that will result from the carrying out of the building works shown on the plans; or

(ii) that the plans have been examined and are approved by him as showing all such fire service installations and equipment as in his opinion, having regard to the purpose to which the building is intended to be put (which purpose shall be stated in the certificate), comprise the minimum fire service installations and equipment necessary for such building in accordance with a Code of Practice published from time to time by the Director of Fire Services; (Added 3 of 1964 s. 2)

(c) he has not received application for their approval in the specified form or any such application does not contain the particulars required therein; (Amended 68 of 1993 s. 8)

(d) the carrying out of the building works shown thereon would contravene the provisions of this Ordinance or of any other enactment, or would contravene any approved or draft plan prepared under the Town Planning Ordinance (Cap 131);

(da) the building works are within a comprehensive development area of an approved or draft

plan prepared under the Town Planning Ordinance (Cap 131) and the works contravene a master lay-out plan approved by the Town Planning Board under section 4A(2) of the Town Planning Ordinance (Cap 131); (Added 2 of 1988 s. 8(1))

(e) he has not received such other documents as are prescribed by regulations;

(f) such fees as are prescribed by regulations have not been paid;

(g) the carrying out of the building works shown thereon would result in a building differing in height, design, type or intended use from buildings in the immediate neighbourhood or previously existing on the same site;

(h) the building works consist of, or any part thereof involves, the construction, formation or laying out of any means of access or other opening, not being a street or access road, to or from any street, and the place at or manner in which such means of access or other opening opens on to the street is, in his opinion, such as to be dangerous or likely to be dangerous or prejudicial to the safety or convenience of traffic using the street, or which may be expected to use the same;

(i) in his opinion, it is necessary for him to have further particulars of such plans or of the building works shown thereon or, where all the plans prescribed by regulations have not been submitted, to have one or more of the other plans prescribed by regulations, to enable him fully to consider such plans;

(j) any further particulars or other plans delivered to him, upon his refusal, under paragraph (i), to give his approval to any plans, are not to his satisfaction;

(k) such plans differ materially from those approved upon the exemption from the provisions of Part I of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance (Cap 7) of the premises to which they relate; (Amended 73 of 1970 s. 2; 29 of 1983 s. 47)

(l) it appears to him that the demolition of a building that requires to be demolished before the building works shown on such plans can be carried out-

(i) will cause, or will be likely to cause, a total or partial collapse of any adjoining or other building, or

(ii) will render, or will be likely to render, any adjoining or other building so dangerous that it will collapse, or be likely to collapse, either totally or partially,

and he is not satisfied that the collapse or the likelihood of the collapse, or such danger or the likelihood of such danger to the building, can be avoided; (Added 27 of 1964 s. 2)

(m) in the case of plans showing site formation works, piling works, excavation works or foundation works, it appears to him that the carrying out of such works-

(i) will cause, or will be likely to cause, a total or partial collapse of any adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land, or

(ii) will render, or will be likely to render, an adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land so dangerous that it will collapse, or be likely to collapse, either totally or partially,

and he is not satisfied that the collapse or the likelihood of the collapse, or such danger or the likelihood of such danger to the building, street or land, can be avoided; (Added 27 of 1964 s. 2. Amended 72 of 1980 s. 4)

(n) it appears to him that the proposed user of the building to which the plans relate would contravene the provisions of regulation 49 of the Building (Planning) Regulations (Cap 123 sub. leg.); (Added 23 of 1969 s. 3)

(o) the plans relate to building works to be carried out upon land in respect of which a notice has been served under section 4 of the Lands Resumption Ordinance (Cap 124) or under the proviso for resumption contained in the Government lease of the land; (Added 73 of 1970 s. 2. Amended 29 of 1998 s. 25)

(p) in the case of building works to be carried out on a site which in his opinion ought to be provided with streets having adequate connexion to a public street, he is not satisfied that such

streets are or will be provided; (Added 59 of 1973 s. 2. Amended L.N. 159 of 1990)

(q) in the case of building works to be carried out in area number 1 of the scheduled areas the building is one which in his opinion must be capable of resisting landslip debris and he is not satisfied that the plans provide adequately for that capability. (Added 41 of 1982 s. 4. Amended 52 of 1990 s. 3)

(1A) Without prejudice to any other power of the Building Authority under this section, the Building Authority shall refuse to give his approval to any plans of building works where the building works proposed include the construction of a hand-dug caisson unless he is satisfied that any of the following circumstances exists-

(a) the depth of the hand-dug caisson does not exceed 3 metres and the diameter of the inscribed circle of the hand-dug caisson is not less than 1.5 metres;

(b) for the site concerned-

(i) the use of a hand-dug caisson is the only practical construction method; or

(ii) there is no other safe engineering alternative. (Added 6 of 1995 s. 3)

(2) The Building Authority may refuse to give his approval of any plans of street works where-

(a) the plans are not such as are prescribed by regulations;

(b) he has not received application for their approval in the specified form or any such application does not contain the particulars required therein; (Amended 68 of 1993 s. 8)

(c) the carrying out of the street works shown thereon would contravene the provisions of this Ordinance or of any other enactment;

(d) in the case of an access road, the place at or manner in which the access road opens on to a street is, in his opinion, such as to be dangerous or likely to be dangerous or prejudicial to the safety or convenience of traffic using the street or access road, or which may be expected to use the same;

(e) such fees as are prescribed by regulations have not been paid;

(f) in the opinion of the Building Authority, it is necessary for him to have further particulars of such plans to enable him fully to consider such plans;

(g) any further particulars delivered to him, upon his refusal under paragraph (f) to give his approval to any plans, are not to his satisfaction.

(3) The Building Authority may refuse to give his consent to the commencement of any building works or street works where-

(a) he has not received and given his approval to all the plans thereof prescribed by regulations;

(b) he has not received such other documents as may be prescribed by regulations;

(ba) any condition or requirement imposed by him under section 17(1) in respect of the building works or street works has not been complied with to his satisfaction; (Added 52 of 1990 s. 3)

(bb) he is not satisfied that the authorized person, registered structural engineer, registered general building contractor or registered specialist contractor has adequately provided precautionary and other protective measures for demolition works; (Added 54 of 1996 s. 16)

(bc) the authorized person has not lodged a supervision plan for the works; (Added 54 of 1996 s. 16)

(c) such fees as are prescribed by regulations have not been paid; or

(d) a period exceeding 2 years has elapsed since the approval of any of the prescribed plans in respect of the building works or street works. (Amended 23 of 1969 s. 3)

(3A) In subsection (3)(d), the reference to plans does not include such plans as are for the time being approved in connexion with an order under Part I of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance (Cap 7) excluding the premises from the further application of that Part. (Replaced 73 of 1970 s. 2. Amended 29 of 1983 s. 47)

(4) The Building Authority may refuse to give his consent to the commencement of any building works where it appears to him that the carrying out of the building works-

(a) will cause, or will be likely to cause, a total or partial collapse of any adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land, or

(b) will render, or will be likely to render, any adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land so dangerous that it will collapse, or be likely to collapse, either totally or partially,

and he is not satisfied that the collapse or the likelihood of the collapse, or such danger or the likelihood of such danger to the building, street or land, can be avoided. (Added 27 of 1964 s. 2. Amended 31 of 1964 s. 2; 72 of 1980 s. 4)

(5) Without prejudice to subsection (4), the Building Authority may refuse to give his consent to the commencement of demolition works until he is satisfied that adequate precautions have been taken-

(a) to prevent a collapse, whether total or partial, or the likelihood of such a collapse, of any adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land; or

(b) to prevent any adjoining or other building, street or natural, formed or man-made land becoming so dangerous, or the likelihood of any such building, street or land becoming so dangerous, that it will collapse or be likely to collapse, either totally or partially. (Added 27 of 1964 s. 2. Amended 72 of 1980 s. 4)

(Added 44 of 1959 s. 4)

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Chapter:	131	Title:	TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE	Gazette Number:
Section:	4A	Heading:	Comprehensive development areas	Version Date: 30/06/1997

(1) Without restricting what the Board may, under sections 3 and 4, show or make provision for in a plan, the Board may, by a note on the plan, in respect of a comprehensive development area, prohibit the undertaking of any building works, as defined in the Buildings Ordinance (Cap 123), except-

(a) as specified in the note; or

(b) with the permission of the Board, which permission may be granted by reference to a plan approved by the Board under subsection (2).

(2) An applicant for the Board's permission under subsection (1)(b) may be required by the Board-

(a) to prepare a master lay-out plan and submit it to the Board for approval; and

(b) to include information in the master lay-out plan respecting building dimensions, floor area for each use, building development programmes and any other matter the Board considers appropriate.

(3) A copy of the approved master lay-out plan, certified by the Chairman of the Board, shall be deposited in the Land Registry and shall be available for inspection without payment of a fee. (Amended 8 of 1993 s. 2)

(Added 2 of 1988 s. 3)

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Chapter:	374G	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	54	Heading:	Vehicles exceeding the permitted gross vehicle weight	Version Date:	30/06/1997

(1) Subject to subregulations (2) and (3), no person shall drive or use, or cause or permit to be driven or used, on a road a goods vehicle or special purpose vehicle that is so loaded that its gross vehicle weight exceeds the permitted gross vehicle weight assigned or deemed to have been assigned to the vehicle under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.).

(1A) Subject to subregulations (2) and (3), where a goods vehicle or special purpose vehicle is driven or used on a road and it is so loaded that its gross vehicle weight exceeds the permitted gross vehicle weight assigned or deemed to have been assigned to the vehicle under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.), the owner of the vehicle commits an offence and is liable on first conviction to a fine of \$5000 and on second or subsequent conviction to a fine of \$10000 unless he proves that-

- (a) the offence was committed without his consent or connivance; and
- (b) he had exercised due diligence and reasonable supervision to prevent the commission of the offence. (L.N. 63 of 1994)

(2) In the case of a goods vehicle or special purpose vehicle which has at any time been assigned a maximum laden weight under the revoked regulations, and until the vehicle is licensed under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.), subregulation (1) shall apply to the vehicle as if such assigned maximum laden weight which is entered in the registration book and the licence issued in respect of the vehicle under the revoked regulations is the permitted gross vehicle weight of the vehicle assigned to the vehicle under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.).

(3) Subregulation (1) shall not apply where-

- (a) the Commissioner has, under regulation 7(8) of the Road Traffic (Construction and Maintenance of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.), by permit authorized the use of the vehicle exceeding its maximum gross vehicle weight or maximum gross combined weight, as the case may be, specified in relation to that class or type of vehicle in Part II, III or IV of the Second Schedule to those regulations; and

- (b) the vehicle is driven or used, or caused or permitted to be driven or used, on a road in accordance with the terms and conditions, if any, of the permit.

(4) For the purposes of subregulation (2)-

(a) the revoked regulations are the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 220 sub. leg.) revoked by regulation 61 of the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.); and

(b) where the maximum laden weight assigned to a vehicle is expressed in hundredweight, such weight shall be converted to tonnes on the basis that 1 cwt. is equivalent to 0.0508 tonne.

(L.N. 241 of 1985)

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Chapter:	374G	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	55	Heading:	Dimensions of loads	Version Date:	30/06/1997

- (1) Subject to subregulation (2), no driver shall drive on a road a vehicle that is so loaded that the load-
- (a) in the case of a vehicle other than a trailer, extends forwards more than 1.5 m from the foremost part of the vehicle;
 - (b) extends backwards more than 1.4 m behind the rearmost part of the vehicle;
 - (c) extends sideways so that the total width of the load is in excess of 2.5 m; or
 - (d) rises to such a height in excess of 4.6 m or to such lesser height as may cause damage to any object or wires lawfully erected above the road.
- (2) A vehicle may be driven loaded within the limits prescribed in a long load permit or a wide load permit issued under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.).

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Chapter:	374G	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	56	Heading:	Overhanging loads	Version Date:	30/06/1997

(1) A driver of a vehicle on a road carrying an overhanging load shall ensure that such a vehicle carries-

(a) other than in the hours of darkness or in poor visibility conditions, a red flag of an area not less than 1 m² at the rear extremity of the load;

(b) during the hours of darkness or in poor visibility conditions-

(i) a white light showing ahead at each side of the front extremity of the load; and

(ii) a red light showing to the rear at the rear extremity of the load.

(2) Subject to subregulation (3) and regulation 57, the driver of a vehicle carrying an overhanging load that extends backwards behind the rearmost part of the vehicle shall fully lower or open the tailgate of the vehicle and properly secure or fasten the tailgate in the lowered or opened position before the vehicle is driven on a road. (13 of 1995 s. 2)

(3) Where a tailgate secured or fastened in the fully lowered or opened position obscures or partially obscures any stop lamp, direction indicator, obligatory rear lamp, obligatory reflector, reversing lamp or registration mark and plate of the vehicle, the driver of the vehicle shall remove the tailgate from the vehicle before the vehicle is driven on a road.

(L.N. 72 of 1990)

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Chapter:	374G	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	57	Heading:	Security of loads	Version Date:	30/06/1997

The driver of a motor vehicle on a road shall ensure that-

(a) any load is properly secured to and, subject to regulations 55 and 56, contained on or inside the vehicle;

(b) no load (including an overhanging load) is, in whole or in part, carried on, or supported by, the tailgate of the vehicle; and (L.N. 72 of 1990)

(c) the vehicle is so loaded that no portion of the load touches the road.

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Chapter:	374G	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	58	Heading:	Prohibition against dangerous vehicles or trailers	Version Date:	30/06/1997

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision in these regulations, the driver of a motor vehicle on a road shall ensure that the motor vehicle, and any trailer drawn by it and all parts and accessories of the motor vehicle and any such trailer, the weight, distribution packing and adjustment of the load of the motor vehicle and any such trailer and the number of passengers carried shall at all times be such that no danger is caused or is likely to be caused to any person on the motor vehicle or trailer or on or near the road or no damage is caused or is likely to be caused to a road or to public or private property: Provided that in the case of a bus it shall not be a contravention of this subregulation if the number of passengers carried does not exceed that specified in the registration document of that bus.

(2) The driver of a motor vehicle on a road shall ensure that the motor vehicle and any trailer drawn by it shall not be used for any purpose for which it is so unsuitable as to cause or be likely to cause danger to any person on the motor vehicle or trailer or on or near the road or to cause damage to the road or to public or private property.

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Chapter:	374A	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:
Regulation:	6	Heading:	Maximum dimensions of vehicles	Version Date: 30/06/1997

(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the dimensions of a vehicle of a class listed in column 1 of the First Schedule shall not exceed the overall dimensions specified in relation to that vehicle in columns 2, 3 and 4 of that Schedule.

(2) The Commissioner may by permit in writing, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified in the permit, authorize the use of a vehicle exceeding the dimensions specified in the First Schedule.

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Chapter:	374A	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:	
Regulation:	7	Heading:	Maximum weight of vehicles	Version Date:	30/06/1997

(1) The gross vehicle weight of a vehicle of a class listed in column 1 of Part I of the Second Schedule, other than a vehicle to which Part II, III or IV of that Schedule applies, shall not exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight specified in relation to that vehicle in column 2 of that Part.

(2) The gross vehicle weight of a rigid vehicle of a class listed in column 1 of Part II of the Second Schedule shall not exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight specified in column 3 of that Part in relation to the wheel span measurement specified in column 2 of that Part.

(3) (a) In the case of an articulated vehicle of a class listed in column 1 of Part III of the Second Schedule, the gross vehicle weight shall not exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight specified in column 3 of that Part in relation to the wheel span measurement specified in column 2 of that Part.

(b) In the case of a 2 axled semi-trailer, the gross axle weight shall not exceed the maximum gross axle weight for 2 closely spaced axles specified in column 3 of Part III of the Second Schedule in relation to the distance between those axles specified in column 2 of that Part.

(c) In the case of 3 axled semi-trailer, the gross axle weight shall not exceed the maximum gross axle weight for 3 closely spaced axles specified in column 3 of Part III of the Second Schedule in relation to the distance between the outer axles of those axles specified in column 2 of that Part.

(4) The gross combined weight of a combination of articulated vehicles of the type listed in column 1 of Part IV of the Second Schedule shall not exceed the maximum gross combined weight specified in column 3 of that Part in relation to the inner axle spacing specified in column 2 of that Part.

(5) Where 2 closely spaced axles of a vehicle are spaced at such distance apart as is specified in column 1 of Part V of the Second Schedule, the gross axle weight of each axle shall not exceed the maximum axle weight for any one axle specified in column 2 of that Part in relation to the distance between those axles.

(6) Where the outer axles of 3 closely spaced axles of a vehicle are spaced at such distance apart as is specified in column 1 of Part VI of the Second Schedule, the gross axle weight of each axle shall not exceed the maximum axle weight for any one axle specified in column 2 of that Part in relation to the distance between those outer axles.

(7) Subject to this regulation, the permitted gross vehicle weight of a goods vehicle or special purpose vehicle shall be that assigned or deemed to have been assigned to the vehicle under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap 374 sub. leg.).

(7A) The permitted gross vehicle weight of any vehicle, other than a goods vehicle or special purpose vehicle, shall be its maximum gross vehicle weight or maximum gross combined weight, as the case may be, determined under this regulation.

(8) The Commissioner may by permit in writing, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified in the permit, authorize the use of a vehicle exceeding its maximum gross vehicle weight or maximum gross combined weight, as the case may be, specified in relation to that class or type of vehicle in column 3 of Part II, III or IV of the Second Schedule.

(L.N. 242 of 1985)

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Chapter:	374A	Title:	ROAD TRAFFIC (CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES) REGULATIONS	Gazette Number:
Regulation:	8	Heading:	Overhang	Version Date: 30/06/1997

(1) Subject to paragraphs (2), (3) and (4), the overhang of a motor vehicle shall not exceed 60 per cent of the distance between the plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle which passes through the centre or centres of the front wheel or wheels and the foremost vertical plane from which the overhang is to be measured.

(2) In the case of a vehicle designed for use and mainly used for the purpose of heating a road or other like surface in the process of construction, repair or maintenance, no part of the heating plant shall be taken into account when calculating the overhang under paragraph (1).

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), where a vehicle is to be used on a road and the Commissioner considers that the percentage of overhang permitted by that paragraph could create a hazard to traffic he may specify such lesser percentage of overhang as he considers appropriate, and the overhang of that vehicle shall not exceed such lesser specified percentage.

(4) This regulation shall not apply to-

(a) a vehicle designed for use and used solely in connection with street cleansing, the collection or disposal of refuse or the collection or disposal of the contents of gullies or cesspools; and

(b) a goods vehicle so designed that it can dispose of its load by tipping to the rear provided the overhang does not exceed 1.2 metres.

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Chapter: 374A Title: ROAD TRAFFIC (CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES) REGULATIONS Gazette Number:

Schedule: 1 Heading: OVERALL DIMENSIONS OF VEHICLES Version Date: 30/06/1997

[regulation 6]

Column 1 Vehicle	Column 2 Overall Length	Column 3 Overall Width	Column 4 Overall Height
Private Car	6.3 metres	2.3 metres	2.0 metres
Taxi	6.3 metres	2.3 metres	2.0 metres
Invalid Carriage	6.3 metres	2.3 metres	2.0 metres
Light Bus	7.0 metres	2.3 metres	3.0 metres
Bus			
Single-decked	12.0 metres	2.5 metres	3.5 metres
Double-decked	12.0 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Articulated	15.0 metres	2.5 metres	3.5 metres
Light Goods Vehicle	10.0 metres	2.5 metres	3.5 metres
Medium Goods Vehicle	11.0 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Heavy Goods Vehicle			
Rigid	11.0 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Articulated	16.0 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Special Purpose Vehicle	12.0 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Tricycle	-	1.1 metres	-
Trailer	13.5 metres	2.5 metres	4.6 metres
Pedestrian-controlled Vehicle	4.3 metres	1.6 metres	-

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Schedule:	2	Heading:		Version Date: 30/06/1997

[regulation 7]

For the purposes of this Schedule the distance between any two axles shall be obtained by measuring the shortest distance between the line joining the centres of the areas of contact with the road surface of the wheels of one axle and the line joining the centres of the areas of contact with the road surface of the wheels of the other relevant axle.

PART I

MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF VEHICLES (Subject to Parts II, III, IV, V and VI)

Column 1 Class of Vehicle	Column 2 Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight
Private Car	3.0 tonnes
Taxi	3.0 tonnes
Invalid Carriage	3.0 tonnes
Light Bus	4.0 tonnes
Bus	24 tonnes
Light Goods Vehicle	5.5 tonnes
Medium Goods Vehicle	24 tonnes
Heavy Goods Vehicle	38 tonnes
Motor Cycle	500 kilograms
Motor Tricycle	600 kilograms
Trailer	38 tonnes

(L.N. 242 of 1985; L.N. 146 of 1990)

PART II

MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR RIGID VEHICLES

Column 1 Class of Rigid Vehicle	Column 2 Wheel Span Measurement	Column 3 Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight
	Metres	
2 axled vehicle	Less than 2.65	14 tonnes
	At least 2.65	16 tonnes
3 axled vehicle	Less than 3.00	16 tonnes
	At least 3.00	18 tonnes
	At least 3.20	20 tonnes
	At least 3.90	22 tonnes
	At least 4.90	24 tonnes
4 axled vehicle	Less than 3.70	18 tonnes
	At least 3.70	20 tonnes
	At least 4.60	22 tonnes
	At least 4.70	24 tonnes
	At least 5.60	26 tonnes
	At least 5.90	28 tonnes
	At least 6.30	30 tonnes

(L.N. 242 of 1985)

PART III

MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR ARTICULATED VEHICLES

Column 1 Class of Motor Vehicle	Column 2 Wheel Span Measurement	Column 3 Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight
	Metres	
2 axled motor vehicle	Less than 2.4	14 tonnes
	At least 2.4	16 tonnes
3 axled motor vehicle	Less than 3.0	18 tonnes
	At least 3.0	20 tonnes
	At least 3.8	22 tonnes
	At least 4.3	24 tonnes

Class of Semi-trailer	Distance between 2 closely spaced axles	Maximum Gross Axle Weight for 2 closely spaced axles
	Metres	
2 axled semi-trailer	Less than 1.02	11 tonnes
	At least 1.02	16 tonnes
	At least 1.05	17 tonnes
	At least 1.20	18 tonnes
	At least 1.50	19 tonnes
	At least 1.85	20 tonnes
	Distance between outer axles of 3 closely spaced axles	Maximum Gross Axle Weight for 3 closely spaced axles
	Metres	
3 axled semi-trailer	Less than 1.40	10.5 tonnes
	At least 1.40	12 tonnes
	At least 1.50	18 tonnes
	At least 2.00	19.5 tonnes
	At least 2.55	21 tonnes
	At least 2.70	22.5 tonnes

In this Part and regulation 7(3)-

"2 closely spaced axles" (2條近距車軸) means axles that are spaced at a distance apart of not more than 2.5 metres and not less than 1 metre.

"3 closely spaced axles" (3條近距車軸) means the outermost axles that are spaced at a distance apart of 3.25 metres or less. (L.N. 242 of 1985)

PART IV

MAXIMUM COMBINED WEIGHTS FOR ARTICULATED VEHICLES

Column 1 Type of Combination of Articulated Vehicle	Column 2 Inner Axle Spacing Metres	Column 3 Maximum Gross Combined Weight
2 axled motor vehicle with 1 axled trailer	Less than 2.1	20 tonnes
	At least 2.1	22 tonnes
	At least 3.1	24 tonnes
2 axled motor vehicle with 2 axled trailer	Less than 2.9	24 tonnes
	At least 2.9	26 tonnes
	At least 3.1	29 tonnes
	At least 3.6	32 tonnes
	At least 4.0	34 tonnes
2 axled motor vehicle with 3 or more axled trailer	At least 4.2	38 tonnes

3 or more axled motor vehicle with 1 axled trailer	Less than 2.0	22 tonnes
	At least 2.0	24 tonnes
	At least 2.7	26 tonnes
	At least 3.0	28 tonnes
	At least 4.0	30 tonnes
3 or more axled motor vehicle with 2 or more axled trailer	At least 4.4	32 tonnes
	Less than 2.0	24 tonnes
	At least 2.0	26 tonnes
	At least 2.3	30 tonnes
	At least 3.2	34 tonnes
3 or more axled motor vehicle with 3 or more axled trailer (L.N. 146 of 1990)	At least 4.0	38 tonnes
	At least 4.7	40 tonnes
	At least 5.2	42 tonnes
	At least 5.7	44 tonnes

In this Part-

"inner axle spacing" (內軸距) means the distance between the rearmost axle of a motor vehicle and the foremost axle of the trailer towed thereby. (L.N. 242 of 1985)

PART V

MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR 2 CLOSELY SPACED AXLES OF VEHICLES

Column 1	Column 2
Distance between 2 closely spaced axles	Maximum Axle Weight for any one axle
Metres	
Less than 1.02	5.5 tonnes
At least 1.02	8 tonnes
At least 1.05	8.5 tonnes
At least 1.20	9 tonnes
At least 1.50	9.5 tonnes
At least 1.85	10 tonnes

In this Part and regulation 7(5), "2 closely spaced axles" (2條近距車軸) means axles that are spaced at a distance apart of not more than 2.5 metres and not less than 1 metre.

(L.N. 242 of 1985)

PART VI

MAXIMUM WEIGHTS FOR 3 CLOSELY SPACED AXLES OF VEHICLES

Column 1	Column 2
Distance between outer axles of 3 closely spaced axles	Maximum Axle Weight for any one axle
Metres	

Less than 1.40	3.5 tonnes
At least 1.40	4 tonnes
At least 1.50	6 tonnes
At least 2.00	6.5 tonnes
At least 2.55	7 tonnes
At least 2.70	7.5 tonnes

In this Part and regulation 7(6), "3 closely spaced axles" (3條近距車軸) means the outermost axles that are spaced at a distance apart of 3.25 metres or less.

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The Commissioner, on receipt of the long load permit fee or wide load permit fee prescribed in Schedule 2, may issue a long load permit or wide load permit subject to such terms and conditions, and valid for such period, as he thinks fit authorizing a goods vehicle to be driven with a load projecting to the front or the rear, or to either side beyond the body of the vehicle, as the case may be.

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