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NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 93 OF 1996)

NOTICE IN TERMS OF REGULATIONS 27, 28, 29, 71 AND 86 OF THE NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, 2000: LICENCE MARK, LICENCE NUMBER SYSTEMS, LOGO, LETTER TYPE, LETTER AND FIGURE COLOUR, AND COLOUR OF RETRO-REFLECTIVE SURFACE OF NUMBER PLATES, FOR THE GAUTENG PROVINCE

I, Elias Khabisi Mosunkutu, MEC responsible for road traffic matters, -

(1) acting under regulations 27, 28 and 29 of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, hereby determine the licence mark, establish the licence number systems, determine the logo, letter type, letter and figure colour, and colour of retro-reflective surface, of number plates for the Gauteng Province, as follows:

- (a) the licence mark for the Gauteng Province shall consist of the letters GP;
- (b) the licence number allocated to a motor vehicle licensed at a registering authority in the Gauteng Province shall, subject to regulations 27(5) and 28, consist of
 - (i) three letters, followed by three figures, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province: Provided that vowels and the letter "Q" shall not be used and that the first letter shall not be the letter "G"; or
 - (ii) on application in terms of regulation 29(2) of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, three figures, followed by three letters, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province;

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- (c) the personalised licence number to be allocated to a motor vehicle in the Gauteng Province, shall,
 - (i) consist of -
 - (aa) at least one, but a maximum of seven letters, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province;
 - (bb) a combination of a maximum of seven letters and figures, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province; or
 - (cc) at least one but a maximum of seven figures, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province:

Provided that the first six characters of a personalised licence number shall not consist of the combinations which appear in the licence number system, the motor trade number system, the temporary or special permit number system or the number issued on application in terms of regulation 29(2) of the Regulations; and

- (ii) be subject to the conditions contained in Schedule B hereto as contemplated in regulation 28(3) and regulation 29(2) of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, and as acknowledged in accordance with Schedule C hereto;
- (d) a number plate displaying a licence number, personalised number or motor trade number allocated by a registering authority in the Gauteng Province, shall display dark blue (Ultramarine) letters and figures, indicated as F09 in the Standard Specification of the South African Bureau of Standards SABS 1091-1975: "National Colour Standards for Paint", on a white retro-reflective surface; and
- (e) the letter type on a number plate displaying the licence number, personalised number or motor trade number allocated by a registering authority in the Gauteng Province, shall be the letter type as prescribed in paragraph 4.1.3.4 of the standard specification of the South African Bureau of Standards SABS 1116-1996 "Retro-reflective Registration Plates for Motor Vehicles";

(2) acting under regulation 71 of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, hereby determine that the motor trade number issued by a registering authority in the Gauteng Province, shall consist of the letter "**A**", followed by two letters, followed by three figures, followed by the logo as prescribed in Schedule A hereto, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province: Provided that vowels, except the letter "**A**" as referred to in this paragraph or the letter "**Q**" shall not be used; and

(3) acting under regulation 86 of the National Road Traffic Regulations, 2000, hereby determine that the temporary or special permit number issued by a registering authority in the Gauteng Province, shall consist of the letter " \mathbf{E} ", followed by two letters, followed by three figures, followed by the letters GP denoting the Gauteng Province: Provided that vowels, other than the letter " \mathbf{E} " as referred to in this paragraph or the letter " \mathbf{Q} " shall not be used.

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SCHEDULE A

SPECIFICATION FOR GAUTENG LOGO ON NUMBER PLATE

1. Scope

This standard specifies the provisions applicable to the logo to be portrayed on a number plate for a motor vehicle in the Gauteng Province.

2. Specification

(1) Character of logo

The logo on a number plate for numbers issued in Gauteng shall be the Coat of Arms of the Gauteng Province with the word "GAUTENG" beneath it as indicated hereunder:



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(2) Colour and durability

The colours used to portray the logo shall be as follows: Ultramarine F09 for the shield

Signal Red A11 for the tongues of the lions and the word "GAUTENG" beneath the Coat of Arms

Middle Buff B33 for the lions, the pick, the gold bars, the ornamental brackets, the slanted stripes on the coronet and the wings of the bees

Black

for the exterior lines of all the images and the motto

(3) Size and positioning of logo

The measurements of the logo shall be a width of 50mm and a maximum height of 40mm. The word "**GAUTENG**" in letters of 7mm in height shall appear 5mm beneath the logo.

The logo shall be positioned not less than 8mm from the adjacent characters.

(4) Duties of supplier

A supplier of number plates with a logo must submit the following to the Gauteng Provincial Government in its Department of Public Transport, Roads and Works for written approval prior to commencement of the manufacture of such plates-

- (a) a sample of the number plate with a logo;
- (b) a sample of the logo which has been weathered in accordance with the Standard Specification of the South African Bureau of Standards SABS 1116-2: 1996 "Retro-Reflective Registration plates for motor vehicles"; and
- (c) dimensional criteria of all sizes of number plates to be produced.

SCHEDULE B

CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO A LICENCE NUMBER DETERMINED UNDER REGULATION 28(3) OR REGULATION 29(2) OF THE NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, 2000, FOR THE GAUTENG PROVINCE

DEFINITIONS

1. In these conditions, any expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (Act No. 93 of 1996), shall, unless a contrary intention appears from the context, have the meaning thus assigned, and –

"Allocate" means the action by the appropriate registering authority to link or connect or attach the right to use and display a number issued by the Province, to a motor vehicle of which the user is the owner;

"issue" means the action by the Province to award the right to use and display a number, on approval of an application, by placing the applicant in possession of a number certificate;

"number" means a personalised licence number issued in terms of regulation 28(3) or a licence number issued upon application in terms of regulation 29(2), as the case may be, both allocated in terms of regulation 27(3);

"number certificate" means a certificate issued by the Province to a person who successfully applied for the right to use and display a number, and that contains the number concerned;

"prescribed fee" means the fee as prescribed from time to time for the Gauteng Province by regulation under section 25 of the Gauteng Provincial Road Traffic Act 10 of 1997;

"SAPS" means the South African Police Service;

"the Province" means the Gauteng Provincial Government in its Department of Public Transport, Roads and Works;

"the Regulations" means the National Road Traffic Regulations published in Government Notice No. R225 of 17 March 2000, as amended by Government Notice No's R761 of 31 July 2000, R941 of 22 September 2000, R726 of 3 August 2001 and General Notice 2116 of 5 October 2001; "security sticker" means the self adhesive sticker on which the number is displayed; and

"user" means the holder of a number certificate who has obtained the right to use and display a number.

NUMBER CERTIFICATE DOES NOT TRANSFER OWNERSHIP

2. The issue of a number certificate to a user does not transfer ownership of that number to the user, but the user may apply for the allocation of such number to a motor vehicle of which he or she is the owner. The Province retains ownership of the number, while the successful applicant obtains the right to use and display such number, subject to such conditions as may have been determined.

ALLOCATION OF NUMBER BY THE APPROPRIATE REGISTERING AUTHORITY

- 3. (a) A number may be allocated to a motor vehicle
 - (i) of which the owner is the holder of a number certificate; and
 - (ii) which has to be licensed in the Gauteng Province.
 - (b) The user must apply for the allocation of the number to a motor vehicle, and for the licensing of that motor vehicle, within 21 days from the date of issue of the number certificate. The number certificate, acceptable identification, the prescribed fees and pro rata motor vehicle licence fees must accompany the application.
 - (c) The existing licence and clearance certificate becomes null and void on the date of allocation, and liability for licensing of the motor vehicle arises on such date.
 - (d) If the user does not apply for the allocation of the number to a motor vehicle and does not license that motor vehicle, within the period referred to in sub paragraph (b), any monies paid in respect of the right to use and display the number will be forfeited and the right to use and display the number will be forfeited as well.

DEATH OF USER

- 4. (a) In the event of the death of the user of a number, and if ownership of the vehicle to which the number was allocated is transferred to the surviving spouse, such spouse may apply for the right to use and display that number, on form PRN1-GP, and such application shall be accompanied by the existing number certificate, acceptable identification, an original certified copy of the death certificate and a letter from the executor confirming that ownership of the vehicle is transferred to the surviving spouse. No fee shall be payable for such an application and for the allocation of the number concerned to a motor vehicle.
 - (b) In the event of the death of a user, where there is no surviving spouse who becomes the owner of the vehicle concerned, or where the surviving spouse does not apply as referred to in sub paragraph (a) upon licensing of the motor vehicle concerned in the name of an owner other than the user, the right to use and display the number will be forfeited and the user's estate shall not be reimbursed for any monies paid.

SURRENDER OF A NUMBER

5. The user may surrender the right to use and display a number to the Province, in which event the right to use and display the number will be forfeited and the user shall not be reimbursed for any monies paid.

STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLES

- **6.** (a) If the SAPS records a motor vehicle to which a number was allocated as stolen, such number shall not be allocated to another motor vehicle for five years from the date of such recording.
 - (b) If the stolen motor vehicle is found within the five year period, the user may continue the use of the number in respect of the motor vehicle concerned if the SAPS confirms in writing that their records no longer reflect the vehicle as stolen, and if the user undertakes in writing not to hold the Province liable for any loss, damage or harm that may occur due to the continued use of the number.
 - (c) After the five year period referred to in sub paragraph (a) has lapsed, the user may apply for the issue of the number to another motor vehicle if he or she undertakes in writing not to hold the Province liable for loss, damage or harm that may occur due to the continued use of the number.

TRANSFER OF NUMBER BETWEEN MOTOR VEHICLES OF SAME USER

7. The user must apply in terms of regulation 29(2) of the Regulations for the transfer of a number to another motor vehicle of which he or she is the owner.

RETENTION OF NUMBER

8. If the user of a number intends to sell a motor vehicle to which that number was allocated, but wishes to retain the use of the number, he or she must apply in terms of regulation 29(2) of the Regulations for the change of the number of the vehicle to be sold. In order to retain the number, the user must request a duplicate number certificate, and submit the original number certificate to the Province to be defaced. The user must apply for the allocation of the number to a motor vehicle and licence that vehicle within 21 days from the date of the issuance of the duplicate number certificate. If the user does not apply for the allocation of the number to allocation of the number and does not licence the vehicle concerned within the said period, the monies paid will be forfeited and the right to use and display the number will be forfeited as well.

DE-REGISTRATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE TO WHICH A NUMBER WAS ALLOCATED

9. If a motor vehicle to which a number was allocated is deregistered, the register of motor vehicles shall reflect that the number is no longer allocated to such vehicle and the user must apply for the allocation of the number to another vehicle or surrender the number.

CHANGE OF PROVINCIAL AUTHORITY

10. In the event of the user of a number relocating to another province, which would involve a change of registering authority in respect of the motor vehicle to which the number was allocated, the right to use and display the number will be forfeited and the user shall not be reimbursed for any monies paid.

APPLICATION FOR A DUPLICATE NUMBER CERTIFICATE

11. An application for a duplicate number certificate shall be made to the Province on form PRN1-GP and on form DCT, and shall be accompanied by acceptable identification of the user and if the user is an organization, that of its proxy and its representative, a letter of proxy and the prescribed fee for the duplicate certificate.

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FORFEITED/SURRENDERED NUMBERS

12. If the right to use and display a number is forfeited or surrendered, the user shall submit the number plates reflecting such number to the Province and the user shall not be reimbursed for any monies paid.

DAMAGED OR LOST NUMBER PLATES REFLECTING A PERSONALISED LICENCE NUMBER

13. Whenever a number plate reflecting a personalised licence number is lost, or damaged to such an extent that replacement is required, the user of such number shall apply in writing to the Province to replace the lost or damaged number plate. The application shall be accompanied by acceptable identification of the user, the remains of the damaged number plate (if applicable), the prescribed fee for the replacement of the number plate and an affidavit stating the reason for the request for replacement.

DISPLAY OF A NUMBER AND THE SECURITY STICKER

14. After licensing the motor vehicle, the user must-

- (a) display the number on the motor vehicle concerned in the manner prescribed in the Regulations: Provided that in the case of a personalised number, the number plates provided by the manufacturer contracted by the Province shall be used; and
- (b) affix the security sticker to the inside of the rear window on the lower left hand corner of the window. If the vehicle does not have a rear window, or if the rear window is obscured, the sticker must be displayed in the manner prescribed in the Regulations for the display of a clearance certificate.

ACKOWLEDGEMENT OF CONDITIONS

15. The user shall, prior to the issue of the number certificate, sign the document as contained in Schedule C, which document is to be submitted to the Province prior to the issue of the number certificate.

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SCHEDULE C

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO NUMBERS ISSUED ON APPLICATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 29(2) OF THE REGULATIONS OR PERSONALISED LICENCE NUMBERS AND UNDERTAKING TO ABIDE THEREBY

To be completed by the user of a number issued on application in terms of regulation 29(2) of the Regulations or personalised licence number, or in the case of a body of persons, its proxy identified in terms of regulation 336 of the Regulations.

I (full names) (ID number), the user/proxy of the user identified under regulation 336 of the Regulations, acknowledge that –

I have read and understand the conditions applicable to the use of a number issued on application in terms of regulation 29(2) or a personalised licence number determined under regulation 28(3), both of the National Road Traffic Regulations 2000, for the Gauteng Province, and that I undertake to abide by these conditions.

Signed at (place) on (date)

SIGNATURE (DULY AUTHORISED IN THE CASE OF A JURISTIC PERSON)

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