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Road Traffic (Waiver of Motor Vehicle
Licence Fees) Regulation 2003

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 6(2) of the
Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374))

1. Interpretation

In this Regulation---

"concession period" (寬免期) means the period 1 June 2003 to 31 May 2004 (both dates inclusive);

"effective date" (生效日期), in relation to a licence, means the date from which the licence takes effect;

"principal Regulations" (主體規例) means the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. E);

"specified fee" (指明費用), in relation to an item under the subheading "Annual Licence Fees" of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations, means the fee specified for that item in column 3 under that subheading.

2. Waiver of fees payable under principal Regulations

(1) Except for the additional fee mentioned in regulation 21(7) of the principal Regulations, the fees payable in accordance with regulations 21, 23 and 23A of the principal Regulations are subject to the waiver provided for in this Regulation.

(2) Subject to subsections (3) to (6), the specified fee for items 2, 3, 4, 11 and 12 under the subheading "Annual Licence Fees" of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations is waived in each case in respect of a licence for a motor vehicle specified opposite to that fee in column 2 under that subheading if the effective date of the licence falls within the concession period.

(3) The waiver under subsection (2) of the specified fee for item 2 under the subheading "Annual Licence Fees" of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations does not apply to a public bus operated under a franchise granted under the Public Bus Services Ordinance (Cap. 230).

(4) The waiver under subsection (2) of the specified fee for item 3 under the subheading "Annual Licence Fees" of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations applies only to a private bus used for operating a student service described in section 27(5)(a) of the Ordinance.

(5) The waiver under subsection (2) of the specified fee for item 12 under the subheading "Annual Licence Fees" of Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations applies

only to a school private light bus.

(6) If more than one licence, each with an effective date that falls within the concession period, is issued in respect of the same motor vehicle, the total amount of fees that is waived in respect of that vehicle under subsection (2) is subject to a maximum sum equal to the fees payable for a period of 12 months, calculated on the basis of the fee payable for a licence for 12 months or a licence for 4 months, as may be appropriate.

(7) The additional fee mentioned in regulation 21(1)(b)(ii) and (9)(b)(ii), paragraph (b) of the proviso to regulation 23(2) and paragraph (b) of the proviso to regulation 23A(2) of the principal Regulations is also waived in each case in respect of a licence for 4 months if the specified fee is waived in respect of that licence in accordance with subsection (2), even if that specified fee is only partly waived under subsection (2) because of the operation of subsection (6).

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation provides for the waiver of the fees payable under the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. E) in respect of licences for non-franchised public buses, private buses operating a student service, taxis, public light buses and school private light buses which take effect within the period 1 June 2003 to 31 May 2004.