

**Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel (Amendment)  
Bylaw 2012**

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## Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel (Amendment) Bylaw 2012

(Made by the New Hong Kong Tunnel Company Limited under section 54 of the Eastern Harbour Crossing Ordinance (Cap. 215) subject to the approval of the Legislative Council)

### 1. Commencement

This Bylaw comes into operation on 18 May 2012.

### 2. Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel By-laws amended

The Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel By-laws (Cap. 215 sub. leg. E) are amended as set out in sections 3 to 13.

### 3. By-law 2 amended (interpretation)

#### (1) By-law 2, definition of *autotoll booth*—

##### Repeal

“equipped with an automatic toll collection facility approved by the Commissioner”

##### Substitute

“designated as an autotoll booth under by-law 16A(2)”.

#### (2) By-law 2, Chinese text, definition of *訂明交通標誌*—

##### Repeal

“附表所訂明的大小、顏色及類型”

##### Substitute

“大小、顏色及類型均在附表訂明”。

#### (3) By-law 2, Chinese text, definition of *訂明道路標誌*—

##### Repeal

“附表所訂明的大小、顏色及類型”

##### Substitute

“大小、顏色及類型均在附表訂明”。

#### (4) By-law 2—

##### Add in alphabetical order

“*light signal* (交通燈) has the same meaning as in the regulations;

*prescribed light signal* (訂明交通燈) means a light signal of the size, colour and type prescribed in the Schedule;”.

### 4. By-law 5 amended (control of traffic)

By-law 5—

##### Repeal

“Drivers of vehicles”

##### Substitute

“All persons in the road tunnel area”.

### 5. By-law 7 amended (directions of tunnel officers to be obeyed)

By-law 7—

##### Repeal

“The driver of a vehicle”

##### Substitute

“All persons in the road tunnel area”.

### 6. By-law 9 amended (meaning of traffic signs and road markings)

#### (1) By-law 9, heading, after “traffic signs”—

##### Add

“, light signals”.

#### (2) By-law 9(1), after “a prescribed traffic sign”—

##### Add

“, a prescribed light signal”.

#### (3) By-law 9(1), after “that sign”—

**Add**

“, signal”.

- (4) By-law 9(2), after “traffic sign”—

**Add**

“. light signal”.

- (5) By-law 9(2), after “that sign”—

**Add**

“, signal”.

**7. By-law 10 substituted**

By-law 10—

**Repeal the by-law**

**Substitute**

**“10. Traffic signs, light signals and road markings to be obeyed**

- (1) The driver of a vehicle in the road tunnel area must comply with the requirement indicated by any prescribed traffic sign or prescribed light signal.
- (2) A person in the road tunnel area must comply with the requirement indicated by any traffic sign, light signal or road marking that is—
- (a) prescribed under the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. G);
  - (b) erected, placed or otherwise displayed by the Road Company within the road tunnel area pursuant to the regulations; and
  - (c) applicable to the person.”.

**8. By-law 12 amended (general restrictions)**

By-law 12(1)(j), after “traffic sign”—

**Add**

“. light signal”.

**9. By-law 15 amended (liability for tolls)**

By-law 15—

**Repeal**

“The driver”

**Substitute**

“The owner or the driver”.

**10. By-law 16A amended (automatic toll collection facilities)**

By-law 16A—

**Repeal paragraph (2)**

**Substitute**

- “(2) The Road Company may, with the written approval of the Commissioner, designate a toll booth at which an automatic toll collection facility is installed under paragraph (1) as an autotoll booth—
- (a) by displaying above a lane that leads to the toll booth a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No. 20 in the Schedule; or
  - (b) by displaying at the side of the toll booth a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No. 21 in the Schedule.”.

**11. By-law 16B heading amended (prohibition against interference with or falsification of electronic toll passes)**

By-law 16B, heading—

**Repeal**

“toll”.

**12. By-law 18 amended (vehicles requiring permits)**

By-law 18(1)(b)—

**Repeal**

“11 metres”

**Substitute**

“12 metres”.

**13. Schedule amended**

(1) The Schedule—

**Repeal**

“[by-laws 2, 3, 9 & 10]”

**Substitute**

“[by-laws 2, 3, 9 & 16A]”.

(2) The Schedule—

**Repeal Figure No. 5**

**Substitute**

“Figure No. 5



Use Dipped Headlights

This sign indicates that all traffic must proceed through the road tunnel on dipped headlights.”

(3) The Schedule, Figure No. 6---

**Repeal**

“FOLLOWING THE SIGN.”

**Substitute**

“FOLLOWING THE SIGN.

THE SIGN MAY BE USED WITHOUT THE LETTERS “km/h”.”.

(4) The Schedule, Figure No. 7—

**Repeal**

“FOLLOWING THE SIGN.”

**Substitute**

“FOLLOWING THE SIGN.

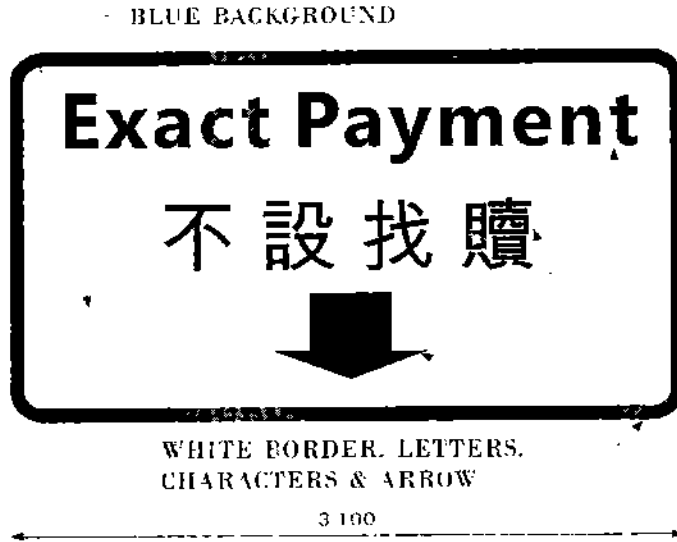
THE SIGN MAY BE USED WITHOUT THE LETTERS “km/h”.”.

(5) The Schedule—

**Repeal Figure No. 15**

**Substitute**

Figure No. 15



No Change Toll Sign

When this sign is displayed over a toll booth or booths adjacent to a traffic lane or lanes as indicated by the downward pointing arrows on the sign, it indicates that the toll booth or booths are for use only by drivers paying the correct toll and requiring no change to be given.

The number of arrows and the overall dimensions of the sign may be varied to suit the particular circumstances.”

- (6) The Schedule—  
**Repeal Figure No. 20**  
**Substitute**

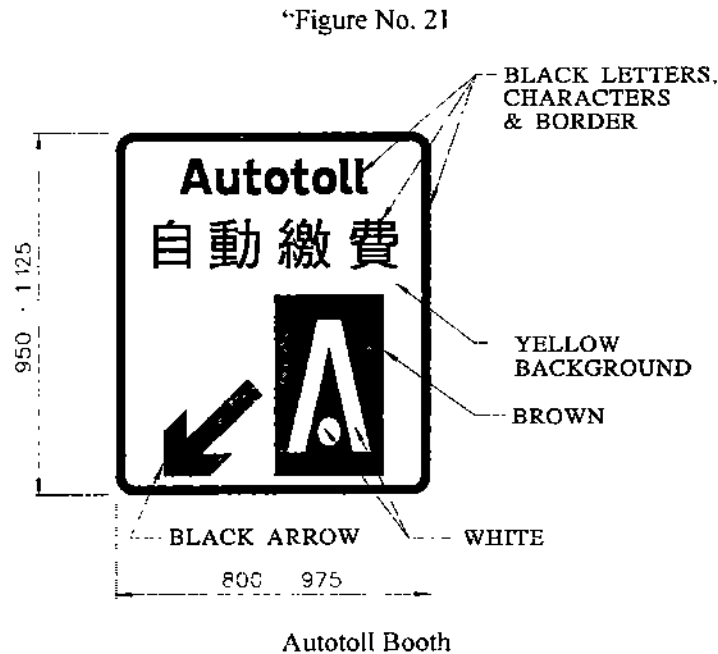
Figure No. 20



Lane (Autotoll Only)

This sign is displayed above a lane that leads to an autotoll booth. It indicates that only a vehicle with a valid electronic pass the account of which is opened in respect of the vehicle may proceed in the lane.”

- (7) The Schedule—  
**Repeal Figure No. 21**  
**Substitute**



When this sign is displayed at the side of a toll booth it indicates that the toll booth is an autotoll booth. It may be used in conjunction with the sign in Figure No. 20 and it indicates that only a vehicle with a valid electronic pass the account of which is opened in respect of the vehicle may pass through the autotoll booth.”

**14. Transitional provision**

During the period of 12 months after the commencement date of this Bylaw—

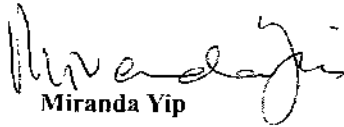
- (a) a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No 20 in the Schedule to the Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel By-laws (Cap. 215 sub. leg. E) (*principal*

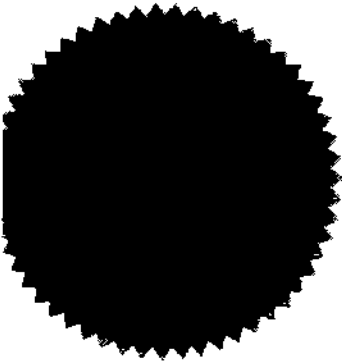
*By-laws*) as in force immediately before the commencement date of this Bylaw and erected at any time before that commencement date is to be treated as a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No. 20 in the Schedule to the principal By-laws as amended by this Bylaw; and

- (b) a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No. 21 in the Schedule to the principal By-laws as in force immediately before the commencement date of this Bylaw and erected at any time before that commencement date is to be treated as a prescribed traffic sign of the type shown in Figure No. 21 in the Schedule to the principal By-laws as amended by this Bylaw.

Made by the New Hong Kong Tunnel Company Limited this  
30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2012.

Signed by  
under the Common Seal of the Company

  
Miranda Yip



New Hong Kong Tunnel Company Limited

### Explanatory Note

This Bylaw amends the Eastern Harbour Crossing Road Tunnel By-laws (Cap. 215 sub. leg. E) to—

- (a) require all persons in the road tunnel area to comply with any order, signal, requirement or instruction given or made by a tunnel officer in the course of his duty;
- (b) enable the use of light signals to regulate vehicular traffic or pedestrians in the road tunnel area;
- (c) make the owner of a vehicle in respect of which a toll is payable also liable for paying the toll;
- (d) conform to the statutory maximum length of rigid vehicles as described in the Road Traffic (Construction and Maintenance of Vehicles) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. A);
- (e) introduce a new design of signage for “Use dipped headlights” (Figure No. 5);
- (f) enable speed limit signs (Figure Nos. 6 and 7) with or without the letters “km/h” on them to serve the same meaning;
- (g) revoke the prohibition on motor cycles using the “Exact Payment” toll booths; and
- (h) adopt new and standardized autotoll booth signs (Figure Nos. 20 and 21) in the road tunnel area as part of the standardization programme launched by the Transport Department to standardize the signs for autotoll booths at various tolled tunnels and bridges in Hong Kong.