Vehicle Act,

Bhumibol Adulyadej, Rex.
Given on the 8th May B.E. 2522 (1979)
Being the 34th Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:

Whereas it is expedient to revise the law on vehicle.

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of the National Legislative Council, acting as the National Assembly, as follows:

Section 1. This Act is called the “Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522”.

Section 2. This Act shall come into force as from 17th September B.E. 2522 (1979).

Section 3. The following Acts shall be repealed:
(1) Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473;
(2) Vehicle Act Amendment, B.E. 2474;
(3) Vehicle Act Amendment, B.E. 2475;
(4) Vehicle Act Amendment, B.E. 2477;
(5) Vehicle Act Amendment, B.E. 2477 (No. 2);

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(6) Vehicle Act Amendment, B.E. 2478;
(7) Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2479;
(8) Vehicle Act (No. 8), B.E. 2481;
(9) Vehicle Act (No. 9), B.E. 2481;
(10) Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2484;
(11) Vehicle Act (No. 11), B.E. 2484;
(12) Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2494;
(13) Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2502;
(14) Vehicle Act (No. 14), B.E. 2503;
(15) Vehicle Act (No. 15), B.E. 2506;
(16) Vehicle Act (No. 16), B.E. 2512;
(17) Announcement of the Revolutionary Council No. 20 dated 15th December B.E. 2514;
(18) Emergency Decree Amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473 B.E. 2516;
(19) Emergency Decree Amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473 (No. 2) B.E. 2516;
(20) Vehicle Act (No. 17), B.E. 2517;

All other laws, rules and regulations in so far as they are already provided herein, or are contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, shall be replaced by this Act.

Section 4. In this Act,

"Conveyance" means a vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, roller, tractor, and other conveyance prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation;

"Vehicle" means a public vehicle, service vehicle, and private vehicle;

"Public vehicle" means:

(1) an inter-provincial taxi which is employed for transporting not more than seven passengers between Changwats of such destinations as determined by the Registrar;

(2) a taxi which is employed for transporting not more than seven passengers or such vehicles other than a fixed route transport vehicle;

"Service vehicle" means a vehicle for transporting passengers or for rent for transporting not more than seven passengers as follows:
(1) business service vehicle which is used for transporting passenger to or from an airport, harbour, transport station or railway station and hotel, residence or office of the passenger;

(2) tourist travel service vehicle which is used by a travel service operator in passenger’s travel service;

(3) service vehicle for rent which is provided for rent other than that employed in transporting passenger or goods;

“Private vehicle” means:

(1) a private car for passengers not more than seven in number;

(2) a private car for passengers exceeding seven but not more than twelve in number and a private pick-up truck with vehicle weight of not more than one thousand and six hundred kilograms which is not used in transport for reward under the law on land transport;

“Motorcycle” means a vehicle driven by motor or electric power with not more than two wheels, or not more than an additional wheel in a sidecar, and shall include a bicycle equipped with motor driven devices;

“Private motorcycle” means a motorcycle other than that employed for transporting a passenger;

“Public motorcycle” means a motorcycle employed for transporting a passenger, but not include a motorcycle with a sidecar and a bicycle equipped with motor driven devices;

“Trailer” means a conveyance pulled behind another conveyance;

“Roller” means a conveyance used in pressing material into a surface driven by itself or pulled behind another conveyance;

“Tractor” means a vehicle with wheels or belts and self-propelled engine, being used as a basic machine in the work involving excavation, shoveling, pushing or hauling, etc., or a vehicle employed for hauling without using for private transport operation under the law on land transport;

3 Definition of “Private vehicle” of section 4 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).

4 Definition of “Private motorcycle” of section 4 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2546 (2004).

5 Definition of “Public motorcycle” of section 4 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2546 (2004).
“Vehicle owner” shall also include the person who possesses the vehicle;

“Inspector”\(^6\) means an official attached to the Department of Land Transport who is appointed by the Minister as an Inspector under this Act;

“Registrar”\(^7\) means an official appointed by the Minister as the Registrar;

“Director-General”\(^8\) means the Director-General of the Department of Land Transport;

“Minister” means the Minister having charge and control of the execution of this Act.

[The words “vehicle” “motorcycle” and “engine” are amended their spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

**Section 5.**\(^9\) The Minister of Transport shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act, and shall have power to appoint a Registrar and an Inspector and issue a Ministerial Regulation prescribing the following matters:

1. specification, volume or capacity of engine or vehicle to be registered as any category of vehicle, requirement on modification of specification, volume or capacity of engine and vehicle for such category of vehicle, and the amendment of vehicle registration and vehicle registration certificate as already modified;

2. accessories and utilization of such accessories i.e., headlights, rear view mirror, horn, silencer, exhaust pipe, light signal, windscreen wipers, and other necessary accessories;

3. communication devices and utilization of communication devices between the vehicle and car service centre or other places;

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\(^6\) Definition of “Inspector” of section 4 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).

\(^7\) Definition of “Registrar” of section 4 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).

\(^8\) Definition of “Director-General” of section 4 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).

\(^9\) Section 5 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
(4) vehicle registration plate, sign for specific category of vehicle and other signs including method of demonstration of such registration plate and signs;

(5) color and sign for public vehicle;

(6) maximum loading weight and number of passengers for private vehicle and public vehicle;

(7) condition on using solid tires;

(8) category, size and weight of vehicles prohibited to be driven on the roads other than a highway;

(9) condition on driving a vehicle with wheels other than tires on the roads other than a highway;

(10) category of vehicle to be determined the duration valid for driving in the prescribed area;

(11) category of vehicle to be prohibited for driving in the prescribed area;

(12) cessation of registration of any category of vehicle in the prescribed area;

(13) number of inter-provincial taxis, and Changwats of origin and destination for such taxis.

(14) rates of traveling fees or other service fees for public vehicles or public motorcycles;

(15) uniform, sign, personal history of driver, identity card of driver, and demonstration of identity card of driver of public vehicle, business service vehicle, tourist travel service vehicle and public motorcycle;

(15/1) regulation on safety of employment in transport of passenger;

(16) curriculum and teaching devices and driving practice of a driving school;

(17) rate of fees not exceeding the rate attached hereto;

(18) other matter for implementation of this Act.

10 Section 5 (14) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
11 Section 5 (15) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
12 Section 5 (15/1) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
13 Section 5 paragraph one is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
As regard the allotment of money under section 41, the Minister of Interior shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act and shall have power to issue a Ministerial Regulation for the execution of this Act.

The Ministerial Regulation shall be in force upon its publication in the Government Gazette.

[The words “vehicle” and “engine” are amended their spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Chapter 1
Registration, sign and using of vehicle

Section 6. ¹⁴ No person shall use an unregistered vehicle.

No person shall use a vehicle already registered but still pending full amount of annual tax payment within the prescribed period.

The provisions of paragraph one shall not apply to the vehicle imported by a person who has no domicile or residence in the Kingdom; provided that he or she shall comply with the agreement concluded between Thai Government and the Government of nationality of the importer.

Section 7. A vehicle applied for registration must:

(1) be a vehicle containing full components and accessories prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, and

(2)¹⁵ have been examined the vehicle condition by the Registrar or the vehicle condition examination centre licensed under the law on land transport at the time of registration application.

In case of application for registration of a public vehicle, business service vehicle, or tourist travel service vehicle, the specification, volume or capacity of engine and vehicle must be in accordance with the provisions prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, and the applicant must inform about the garage, where the

¹⁴ Section 6 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 4), B.E. 2527 (1984).
¹⁵ Section 7 paragraph one (2) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
public vehicle or service vehicle is to be kept, which must also be of the nature prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

[The words “vehicle” and “engine” are amended their spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

**Section 8.** The following vehicles are exempted from registration:

1. vehicles specifically provided for His Majesty the King;
2. vehicles of the Royal Thai Police which are registered and contain the sign in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Commissioner-General of the Royal Thai Police;
3. vehicles of the Bureau of the Royal Household which are registered and contain the sign in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Lord Chamberlain;
4. a vehicle which the owner has informed of the decline to use it under section 34;
5. a vehicle manufactured, assembled or imported by a manufacturer or assembler for sale or an importer for sale, and still pending sell to other person.

**Section 9.** The following vehicles shall be exempted from paying fees except the fee for vehicle registration plate:

1. fire engines;
2. ambulances other than those employed for reward;
3. vehicles of Government agencies, Constitutional organizations, local government organizations, State universities and higher education institutes, Public organizations, and other State agencies prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, however, only for the vehicles other than those employed in trade or for profit;
4. rollers of State enterprises;
5. tractors of State enterprises;
6. vehicles of the Thai Red Cross Society;

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16 Section 8 (2) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
17 Section 6 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 4), B.E. 2527 (1984).
18 Section 9 (3) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 16), B.E. 2556 (2013).
(7) vehicles of personnel of diplomatic or consular delegates, or representatives of international organizations or United Nations Specialized Agencies situated in Thailand;

(8) Vehicles for use in agricultural works of the nature and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 10. Any person who wishes to file an application for vehicle registration shall file an application with the Registrar of locality of his or her domicile, unless the owner of vehicle intends to use the vehicle in another locality, he or she may file an application with the Registrar of such locality instead.

In case of an alien applicant having no domicile in the Kingdom, he or she may file an application with the Registrar of the locality of his or her residence.

Application for registration and issuance of vehicle registration certificate shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 10/1. The Director-General shall render general bidding of registration numbers in demand or popular numbers prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, and the highest bid shall be deemed the special fee for using such registration number.

General bidding of registration numbers and registration of such registration numbers shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure, duration and condition announced by the Director-General.

The special fee derived from general bidding under this section shall be vested in the fund under section 10/2.

Section 10/2. There shall be established a fund in the Department of Land Transport called the “Road Safety Fund” having the objectives of funding and promoting road safety and rendering assistance to victims of road accidents, consisting of:

(1) the special fee derived from general bidding under section 10/1;
(2) money or property donated to the fund;

19 Section 10 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 3), B.E. 2525 (1982).
20 Section 10/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
21 Section 10/2 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
(3) fruit and income accruing from the fund;
(4) money and other property vested in the fund.

There shall be a Committee for Road Safety consisting of the Permanent Secretary for Communications as Chairperson, representative of the Ministry of Interior, representative of the Ministry of Public Health, representative of the Royal Thai Police, representative of the Comptroller General’s Department, representative of the Office of Transport Policy and Traffic, and two qualified persons appointed by the Council of Ministers as members, and the Director-General of the Department of Land Transport as member and secretary, for functioning the management of the fund in accordance with its objectives.

The assumption of office and functioning of members, and management and expense of the fund shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

The Committee for Road Safety shall submit a financial statement to the Office of the Auditor General of Thailand within one hundred and twenty days from the end of financial year for the purpose of auditing and assessing the expense of money and property of the fund, and shall give an opinion of analysis as to whether such expense complies with the objectives and meets the target or not. After the Office of the Auditor General of Thailand has endorsed such financial statement, the Committee shall submit a report on the result to the Council of Ministers and the National Assembly and cause it to be published in the Government Gazette.

Section 10/3. The Registrar shall have power to permit the owner of vehicle to use the registration number issued for a vehicle on another vehicle, or use a registration number issued to no vehicle on a vehicle already registered, in accordance with the rule and procedure announced by the Director-General.

Section 11. A vehicle already registered shall contain and accurately display registration plate and sign as prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

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22 Section 10/3 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
Section 12. If a vehicle already registered is found later that its components and accessories are not accurately complete as prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, or has been added anything which may physically or mentally endanger other person, no person shall use such vehicle until it is accurately equipped or removed.

In the case where the Registrar is of the opinion that the owner of vehicle is unable to accurately equip or remove such components and accessories, the Registrar shall revoke such registration.

The owner of vehicle has the right to appeal in writing to the Director-General within fifteen days from the date of knowledge of the order of the Registrar.

The decision of the Director-General shall be final.

Section 13. If the colour of a vehicle already registered is changed from the colour registered, the owner shall inform the Registrar within seven days from the date of change of colour.

The information under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 14. No person shall change the coachwork or any part of a vehicle already registered to be different from the detailed particulars registered and use such vehicle unless after the owner has the vehicle be examined by the Registrar.

In the case where the Registrar finds that the vehicle which is changed under paragraph one may be dangerous when used, he or she shall order the owner of vehicle to modify the vehicle and have it be condition examined before using it. As for the vehicle condition examination, the Registrar may order the owner of vehicle to have the vehicle be examined at a vehicle condition examination centre licensed under the law on land transport, and section 12 paragraph two, paragraph three and paragraph four shall apply mutatis mutandis. However, if the Registrar finds that the vehicle is safe for using, he or she shall amend the detailed particulars in the register and the vehicle registration certificate.  

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23 Section 14 paragraph two is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).

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Section 15. In the case where the Registrar or Inspector finds that any vehicle is probable to be unsafe when using, he or she has the power to give a written order to the owner of vehicle to have the vehicle be examined by the Registrar or at a vehicle condition examination centre licensed under the law on land transport within a prescribed period.

Section 15 bis. The vehicle condition examination under section 7 (2), section 14 paragraph two, section 15 or section 16 shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 16. In moving a vehicle to another locality, the owner of vehicle shall inform the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of moving it.

The information under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 17. In transferring the vehicle already registered, the transferor and transferee shall inform the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of transfer.

In the case where the transferee wishes to take the vehicle under paragraph one out of the Kingdom within fifteen days from the date of transfer, there must also be permission in writing from the Registrar under paragraph one.

The information under paragraph one, and the application for and grant of permission under paragraph two shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 17/1. A vehicle, trailer, roller or tractor already registered shall be legal collateral for hypothecation.

The person named as owner in the vehicle register shall be presumed the holder of ownership.

Hypothecation must be made in writing in the form prescribed by the Registrar, registered with the Registrar and mortgage fee must be paid in accordance with the condition, procedure and rate of fee prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

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24 Section 15 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
25 Section 15 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
26 Section 17/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 15), B.E. 2551 (2008).

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**Section 18.** Taking a vehicle out of the Kingdom for whatever reason must be permitted by the Registrar except in the following cases:

1. taking out of the Kingdom by permission under section 17 paragraph two;
2. in a regular employment of transport of passengers out of the Kingdom and take it back as usual;
3. other cases prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

The application for and grant of permission shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

**Section 19.** In granting permission under section 17 and section 18, the Minister has the power to impose any condition for permission granted by the Registrar, and may exempt, relax or stop compliance to such condition as he or she deems appropriate.

**Section 20.** Any person who orders or brings a vehicle or engine of vehicle into the Kingdom for sale or manufacture, or assembly of a vehicle or engine of vehicle for sale shall submit a monthly inventory of receipt or sale of vehicles or engines of vehicle to the Registrar within fifteen days of the following month.

The inventory under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

[The word “engine” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

**Section 21.** No person shall use a vehicle for a purpose other than that of a category registered except in the following cases:

1. using a business service vehicle, tourist travel service vehicle or public motorcycle in private affairs;
2. using a public vehicle in private affairs; provided that there must be a statement shown in a place easily seen from outside that it is using in private affairs;

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27 Section 21 (1) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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(3) using a public vehicle in transporting passengers’ luggage;

(3 bis) using a private pick-up truck with vehicle weight of not more than one thousand and six hundred kilograms as a private car exceeding seven passengers, or using a private car as a private pick-up truck;

(4) having been permitted by the Registrar in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 22. No person shall use a vehicle, other than public fixed-route taxi for transport of passengers who pay traveling fee individually in accordance each one’s destination, in the route licensed for a public fixed-route taxi or within not exceeding one hundred meters boundary from such route.

The provisions in paragraph one shall not apply to the case of employment in transporting students, workers, tourists, or an occasionally transport of passengers licensed in writing by the Registrar.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 23. In the case where the Minister is of the opinion that the employment of passengers transport operation by vehicles transporting not more than seven passengers or inter-provincial taxis in any locality should be carried out by a public company, limited company, or cooperative, and must be licensed by the Registrar, the Minister shall make an announcement in the Government Gazette specifying the locality for such employment.

The announcement under paragraph one shall not apply to the employment of passengers transport operation by vehicles transporting not more than seven passengers or inter-provincial taxis having been licensed by the Registrar before the date of announcement until three years elapses from the date of announcement.

The Minister may, upon reasonable ground, extend the period of three years under paragraph two for not more than two years each time but not

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28 Section 21 (3 bis) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 5), B.E. 2528 (1985).
more than twice. The extension of duration shall be announced in the Government Gazette.

The application for and grant of license under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 23/1.  No person shall use a motorcycle for employment of passengers transport unless such motorcycle has been registered as a public motorcycle.

Any person who wishes to apply for registration of a public motorcycle shall file an application with the Registrar and the Registrar shall register it upon complete compliance of conditions prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation and the rule prescribed by the Director-General under section 10.

The Ministerial Regulation under paragraph two shall require to establish a Changwat Committee, which shall at least comprise of representatives of local government organizations concerned, and representatives of State agencies having the duties of supervision on vehicles, traffic, or transportation and other persons in the number as appropriate, for functioning the determination of transport stations, routes or localities for employment of passengers transport, and the rule on issuance of certificate of using public motorcycle for the person who wishes to apply for registration of a public motorcycle which shall be used as evidence in filing an application for registration with the Registrar under paragraph two. For this purpose there may also be established a Sub-committee for a locality.

The determination of duration and revocation of public motorcycle registration shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 24. The license under section 23 shall be valid for three years from the date of issuance and may be renewed for three years each time.

29 Section 23/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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A licensee who wishes to renew the license shall file an application before the license expires, and after having filed the application, the transport operation may be further carried out until the Registrar refuse to renew the license.

The application for renewal of license and grant of renewal of license shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 24/1. In the case where a license under section 23 is lost, or essentially damaged, the licensee shall file an application for a substitute of license within fifteen days from the date of knowledge of the incident. If the license is subsequently recovered, the substitute of license shall be returned to the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of recovery thereof.

The application for substitute of license and grant of substitute of license under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 25. For the licensee under section 23 who fails to comply with this Act or the Ministerial Regulation issued under this Act, the Registrar shall have power to revoke his or her license.

The licensee whose license is revoked shall return his or her license to the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of information on the revocation thereof.

Section 26. In the case where the Registrar refuses to grant a license under section 23, grant the renewal of license under section 24, or revokes the license under section 25, the applicant for license, applicant for renewal of license, or the licensee, as the case may be, has the right to appeal in writing to the Minister within one month from the date of knowledge of the order of the Registrar.

The decision of the Minister shall be final.

In case of appeal against the order of the Registrar under section 24 or section 25, pending the decision of appeal the Minister may, upon request of the

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30 Section 24/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
31 Section 25 paragraph two is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
applicant, give permission allowing the applicant to operate passengers transport operation for the time being.

Section 27. If any person who has a vehicle for sale or for repair wishes to drive by oneself or has other person drive it for such purpose, he or she must be licensed by the Registrar and shall be permitted to drive between sunrise and sunset, unless it is necessary and having been permitted by the Registrar.

The application for and grant of license under paragraph one shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

In issuing the license, the Registrar shall also issue a special sign and vehicle registration certificate.

The special sign and vehicle registration certificate shall be in the form prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation and shall be interchangeable, not for a specific vehicle only.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 28. In driving the vehicle under section 27, the driver shall record the following items:

1. name of vehicle, chassis number, and engine number;
2. driving purpose;
3. date, month and year of driving and returning time;
4. name and surname of driver.

[The word “vehicle” and “engine” are amended their spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Chapter II
Annual Tax

Section 29. Vehicle annual tax shall be collected at the rate attached hereto:
(1) vehicle annual tax for a private car of not exceeding seven person having been registered for more than five years from the first registration shall be reduced at the following rate:

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(2) vehicle annual tax for a vehicle using tires other than hollow tires shall be collected at an additional rate of half the rate prescribed.  
(3) [repealed]

**Section 29 bis.** In case of any vehicle other than a piston engines vehicle and it is unable to calculate the capacity of cylinders, or in case the capacity of cylinders or engine are modified, it shall be compared to the capacity of cylinders under the criteria prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

**Section 29 ter.** In determining the capacity of cylinders of vehicle for the purpose of annual tax payment, the Registrar shall announce the capacity of cylinders of each type of vehicle with the approval of the Ministry of Industry.

In the case where the announcement under paragraph one does not include a vehicle of any particular type, the Registrar shall collect annual tax in

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32 Section 29 (3) is added by the Emergency Decree amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522, B.E. 2529 (1986), however, it is subsequently disapproved by the House of Representatives as witnessed in the Announcement of the Office of the Prime Minister Re: Disapproval to the Emergency Decree amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522, B.E. 2529 (1986), in the 5/2529 session of the meeting of the House of Representatives (Ordinary Session), Thursday 4th of September, 1986, which resolves to disapprove the Emergency Decree.

33 Section 29 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 2), B.E. 2524 (1981).

34 Section 29 ter is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 2), B.E. 2524 (1981).
accordance with the capacity of cylinders as witnessed in the brochure of such vehicle which is certified by the Ministry of Industry, and the Registrar shall proceed to announce the capacity of cylinders of such vehicle.

The announcement under paragraph one and paragraph two shall be published in the Government Gazette.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 30. The vehicles exempted from registration under section 8 and the vehicles exempted from paying fees under section 9 shall also be exempted from annual tax payment.

Section 31. In case it is deemed expedient, the Minister shall have power to reduce annual tax for vehicles of any particular locality or in any particular case from the rate prescribed in section 29.

The reduction under paragraph one shall be proclaimed by a Royal Decree.

Section 32. An owner of vehicle has the duty to pay annual tax.

Annual tax payment shall be made in advance for a term of one year. Default of tax payment in the prescribed period shall be liable to an additional fine of one percent per month, or fraction of a month, of the amount of default.

The additional fine under this section shall also be deemed as tax.

If the owner of a vehicle already paid annual tax for any year is changed, the new owner is not obligated to pay annual tax for that year again.

Section 33. In the case where a vehicle is registered as of a category or to be used as of a kind which is different from that already registered during one

35 Section 32 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
36 Section 33 is amended by the Emergency Decree amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522, B.E. 2529 (1986), however, it is subsequently disapproved by the House of Representatives as witnessed in the Announcement of the Office of the Prime Minister Re: Disapproval to the Emergency Decree amending the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2522, B.E. 2529 (1986), in
year interval, thereby it is liable to pay less tax than before, the owner is not entitled to recover the excess amount thereof. However, if the new registration is liable to pay more tax than before, the owner of vehicle is liable to pay the excess amount accurately when the registration is applied.

Section 34. Subject to the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, a vehicle which has already been registered is liable to pay annual tax under section 29 or section 31 even though it is not used, unless the owner of vehicle informs the Registrar, before the vehicle is due to pay the next annual tax, that he or she decline to use it.

Section 35. Any person who is obligated to pay annual tax but fails to pay it within the prescribed period, the Registrar may informs in writing to such person to pay annual tax completely at the office of the Registrar within one month from the date of receipt of information.

In the case where such person fails to comply with the order under paragraph one the Registrar shall have power to seize such vehicle.

Section 35/1. Pending the annual tax payment by the owner of vehicle, the Registrar has the power to refuse to proceed with the registration until the owner of vehicle has already paid the defaulting tax payment completely, or there has been proceeded under section 35/2.

Section 35/2. If the owner of vehicle defaulting annual tax payment for not exceeding three years wishes to pay annual tax in order for using the vehicle in that year, the Registrar may accept such tax payment.

In respect of the amount of defaulting tax payment, the Registrar shall fix the amount and period of payment in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed by the Director-General.

the 5/2529 session of the meeting of the House of Representatives (Ordinary Session), Thursday 4th of September, 1986, which resolves to disapprove the Emergency Decree.

37 Section 35/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
38 Section 35/2 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
In the case where the owner of vehicle defaults to pay the accurate amount of tax payment under paragraph two, the Registrar has the power to refuse to proceed with the registration until the owner of vehicle has already paid the defaulting tax payment completely.

Section 35/3. In respect of the vehicle defaulting annual tax payment for three consecutive years, the registration shall cease. In such case, the Registrar shall announce the registration number including the defaulting tax payment at the office of the Registrar and the place prescribed by the Director-General and shall inform the owner of vehicle. And such person shall return the vehicle registration plate and submit the vehicle registration certificate to the Registrar for recording the cessation of vehicle registration within sixty days from the date of information and announcement.

In the case where the owner of vehicle fails to proceed under paragraph one, the Registrar or Inspector or the person entrusted by the Director-General has the power to seize the vehicle registration plate.

The burden of annual tax payment after the third year shall cease; provided that the owner of vehicle is liable to pay the defaulting tax payment completely and the provisions of section 35/1 and section 35/2 paragraph two and paragraph three shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Section 36. The Registrar has power to announce or order in writing requiring the owner of vehicle to have the vehicle examined at the office of the Registrar or a vehicle condition examination center licensed under the law on land transport.

Section 37. The Registrar and the Inspector entrusted by the Director-General has the power to inspect the place having reasonable ground to suspect that there exist a vehicle in default of annual tax payment and seize such vehicle for examination.

39 Section 35/3 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
40 Section 36 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
41 Section 37 paragraph one is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
The inspection under paragraph one shall be carried out between sunrise and sunset.

Section 38. In the case where the Inspector entrusted by the Director-General inspects and seizes a vehicle under section 37, he or she shall submit it the Registrar without delay and the provisions of section 35 shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Section 39. The Registrar shall keep the vehicle seized under section 35 paragraph two or section 37 for fifteen days. If the owner of vehicle fails to pay the defaulting tax payment, fees and expenses on vehicle seizure completely within the prescribed period, the vehicle shall be sold by auction.

In the sale by auction, the Registrar and the Inspector shall be prohibited to bid.

If the proceeds of the sale by auction exceed the defaulting tax payment, fees and expenses on vehicle seizure and sale by auction, the remaining shall be returned to the owner of vehicle.

Section 40. Any person who reports information leading to arrest the owner of vehicle who is in default of annual tax payment within prescribed period, when the case becomes final, such person shall be entitled to be rewarded at the rate of sixty percent of the additional amount of tax due to be paid.

Section 41. Annual tax including the additional amount and fees under this Act, except the fee for vehicle registration plate collected in the Bangkok Metropolis shall be vested in the Bangkok Metropolis, those collected in other Changwats shall be vested in the Provincial Administration Organization, Municipality and Sanitation District concerned, the City of Pattaya, and other local administration named otherwise, which shall be allotted by the Ministry of Interior in accordance with the rule and procedure prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

42 Section 38 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
43 Section 39 paragraph two is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
44 Section 41 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 4), B.E. 2527 (1984).
Chapter III
Driving License

Section 42. A driver shall be licensed and shall, while driving or controlling other driving trainee in driving, possess driving license and a copy of vehicle registration certificate for producing immediately to the competent official, except the driving trainee under section 57.

In case of a driver who is an alien temporarily permitted to reside in the Kingdom under the law on immigration may possess a driving license under section 42 bis while driving in the Kingdom. In this case there shall be accompanied such driving license with the document prescribed in the existing Convention or Agreement between Thai Government and the Government of such country for producing immediately to the competent official.\(^\text{45}\)

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 42 bis.\(^\text{46}\) In the case where there is a bilateral agreement between the Government of Thailand and a foreign Government concerning reciprocal recognition of domestic driving licenses, an alien temporarily permitted to stay in the Kingdom under the law on immigration having a driving license issued by the competent official or a driving society recognized by the Government of the country under such bilateral agreement may use the driving license of such country in driving in the Kingdom in accordance with the category and type of vehicle specified in such driving license; provided that the existing Conventions and/or Agreements between the Government of Thailand and the Government of such country and all the provisions relating to the obligations of a driver under this Act must be complied.

Section 43.\(^\text{47}\) Driving licenses are as follows:

\(^{45}\) Section 42 paragraph two is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 8), B.E. 2530 (1987).

\(^{46}\) Section 42 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 8), B.E. 2530 (1987).

\(^{47}\) Section 43 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
(1) a temporary private vehicle, private motor tricycle or private motorcycle driving license;
(2) a private vehicle driving license;
(3) a private motor tricycle driving license;
(4) a public vehicle driving license;
(5) a public motor tricycle driving license;
(6) a private motorcycle driving license;
(6/1) a public motorcycle driving license;
(7) a roller driving license;
(8) a tractor driving license;
(9) a driving license other than those of (1) to (8);
(10) a driving license under the Agreement to which Thailand is a
party;

The driving license under (1) may also be used in driving service
vehicle for rent only in the case where a driver is a renter. The driving license under (2) may also be used in driving service vehicle for rent. The driving license under (4) may also be used in driving service vehicle and may also be used in place of the driving license under (2). The driving license under (5) may also be used in place of the driving license under (3). And the driving license under (6/1) may also be used in place of the driving license under (6). The rest are not interchangeable.

Section 43 bis. 48 Driving licenses for fixed route transport, non-fixed route transport or transport by a small vehicle under the law on land transport may also be used in place of the private vehicle driving license under section 43 (2) and public vehicle driving license under section 43 (4).

A driving license for private transport under the law on land transport may also be used in place of the private vehicle driving license under section 43 (2).

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 44. 49 A driving license under section 43 (1) shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance.

48 Section 43 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 9), B.E. 2537 (1994).
49 Section 44 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
A driving license under section 43 (2), (3), (6), (7) (8) and (9) shall be valid for five years from the date of issuance; a driving license under section 43 (4), (5) and (6/1) shall be valid for three years from the date of issuance; and may be renewed for five years or three years each time, as the case may be, however, the applicant for renewal of license must pass the physical fitness test in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.\textsuperscript{50}

In the case where the driving license under paragraph two expires on the date other than birthday anniversary of the driving licensee, the expiration date of license shall be extended to the birthday anniversary of the driving licensee in the same year or the following year, as the case may be, whereby such day shall be deemed expiration date of license.

In the case where a driving licensee was born on 29\textsuperscript{th} of February, and there is no 29\textsuperscript{th} of February in the year the driving license expires, the 28\textsuperscript{th} of February shall be deemed birthday anniversary instead.

The application for renewal of driving license and grant of renewal of license shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 45. Any person who wishes to apply for a driving license must be a person with qualifications and without any prohibition under this Act, and file an application with the Registrar of the locality of his or her domicile or residence.

The application for and grant of driving license shall be in accordance with the rule, procedure and condition prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 46. An applicant for driving license under section 43 (1) must possess the qualifications and not being under any of the prohibition as follows:

1.\textsuperscript{51} being not less than eighteen years of age; provided that in respect of an applicant for a temporary private motorcycle driving license, of a motorcycle having total capacity of cylinders not exceeding that prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation, he or she must not be less than eighteen years of age;

2. having knowledge and capacity of driving vehicle;

\textsuperscript{50} Section 44 paragraph two is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

\textsuperscript{51} Section 46 (1) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
(3) having knowledge of the rule in driving vehicle under this Act and under the law on land transport;
(4) not being a person with disability that apparently incapable of driving vehicle;
(5) not being infected by a congenital decease that the medical practitioner is of the opinion that it may be dangerous in driving vehicle;
(6) not being a person of unsound mind or mental deficiency;
(7) not already having a driving license of the same kind;
(8) not being under seizure or revocation of driving license.

Section 47. An applicant for driving license under section 43 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (6/1) must:
(1) be granted a driving license under section 43 (1) for not less than one year;
(2) posses the qualifications and not be under any of the prohibition under section 46; and
(3) has never been punished by a final judgment or fined twice or more by penalty fine officer for any of the following offences relating to driving, unless the last penalty has been elapsed for not less than six months;
(a) in violation of traffic signal or sign;
(b) while got drunk of alcohol or other intoxicant;
(c) in the manner of traffic obstruction;
(d) at a speed exceeding that prescribed by law;
(e) negligently or terribly which might cause danger to any person or property;
(f) without consciousness in safety or damage that might occur to other person.

Section 58. (repealed)

Section 59. An applicant for driving license under section 43 (4), (5), or (6/1) must:

Section 47 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
Section 48 is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
(1) be granted a driving license under section 43 (1) for not less than one year;

(2) posses the qualifications and not be under any of the prohibition under section 46; provided that an applicant for driving license under section 43 (4), (5) must have already attained twenty two years of age, and an applicant for driving license under section 43 (6/1) must have already attained twenty two years of age;

(3) not be under any of the prohibition under section 47 (3);

(4) be of Thai nationality;

(5) be acquainted with the roads and highways existing in the Changwat applied for driving license;

(6) not be infected with disgusting contiguous disease prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation;

(7) not be an alcoholic or addicted to narcotics;

(8) never have been imprisoned by final judgment for the commission of any offence under this Act, or offence relating to public peace, offence relating to causing public danger, offence relating to currency, sex-related offence, offence against life, offence against body, offence against liberty, offence of theft and snatching, offence of extortion, blackmail, robbery, and gang-robbery, offence of misappropriation, offence of receiving stolen property, and offence of mischief under the Criminal Code, offence relating to narcotics under the law on narcotics, or imprisoned by a lawful order, except for the offence committed through negligence or petty offence, or has been released for not less than three years.

Section 50. 55 In the case where an applicant for driving license under section 43 (4), (5), or (6/1) lacks the qualification under section 49 (8) but has been released for not less than:

(1) six months for a three months imprisonment under judgment;

(2) one year for a three months imprisonment under judgment relating to an offence committed by using vehicle; or

(3) one year and six months for an imprisonment under judgment exceedingly three months but not exceeding than three years;

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54 Section 49 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
55 Section 50 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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And he or she has filed a request to the Registrar explaining the reason underlying the commission of offence including evidence showing good behavior deserving to drive public vehicle or motorcycle, as the case may be. The Registrar shall investigate such request, upon agreeing with the request he or she has the power to issue a driving license and section 49 (8) shall not apply. If he or she disagrees, the request shall be revoked and the applicant shall be informed.

The applicant has the right to appeal in writing to the Director-General within fifteen days from the date of receiving the order revoking the request from the Registrar.

The order of the Registrar shall be final.

Section 51. An applicant for driving license under section 43 (7), (8), or (9) must:

(1) posses the qualifications and not be under any of the prohibition under section 46;

(2) have skilful knowledge and expertise in driving such category of vehicle.

Section 51/1. A driving licensee under section 43 (2), (4), (5), (6) and (6/1) has the right to apply for a driving license under section 43 (10).

Section 52. The Registrar shall appoint a person with the qualifications prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation for examining the qualifications and prohibitions of an applicant under section 46, section 47, section 48, section 49 and section 51.

Section 53. If any person already having been licensed for driving any category of vehicle subsequently appears to lack the qualification or to be under the prohibition prescribed for an applicant for license of driving such category of vehicle, the Registrar shall revoke such driving license.

Upon having reasonable ground to believe that a driving licensee lacks the qualification or being under the prohibition prescribed for an applicant for license

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56 Section 51/1 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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of driving such category of vehicle, the Registrar shall have power to call the driving licensee to be present before the Registrar for having the qualifications or prohibitions examined.\(^{57}\)

Section 53/1.\(^{58}\) In the case where the driving licensee contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of this Act, the Registrar shall have power to suspend the driving license for not exceeding six months each time.

In the case where a public vehicle or public motorcycle driving licensee commits any of the following offences, the Registrar may revoke the driving license:

1. repeating the commission of the same offense under this Act within one month from the first commission;
2. without reasonable ground, failing to be present before the Registrar for not less than twice, the duration of which is not less than one moth each time, in accordance with the orders in writing of the Registrar;
3. collecting traveling fee or other service fee in excess of the rate prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Section 53/2.\(^{59}\) The person whose driving license is suspended or revoked has the right to appeal in writing to the Director-General within fifteen days from the date of receiving the order of the Registrar.

The Director-General shall resolve the appeal under paragraph one within thirty days from the date of receiving the appeal; otherwise the driving license shall be deemed not suspended or revoked by the Director-General in accordance with the written appeal of the driver.

The decision of the Director-General shall be final.

The appeal under paragraph one shall not suspend the execution of the order of suspension or revocation of driving license.

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\(^{57}\) Section 53 paragraph two is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

\(^{58}\) Section 53/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

\(^{59}\) Section 53/2 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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**Section 53/3.** The driving licensee whose license is revoked shall return such license to the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of information on the revocation thereof.

**Section 54.** For any person having been granted a driving license, if it appears that:

1. there is a final judgment resolves that he or she has committed an offence under this Act or the Ministerial Regulation issued under this Act;
2. he or she fails to comply with a lawful order of the traffic officer or the competent officer under the law on land traffic;
3. there is a final judgment resolves that he or she has committed an offence of driving or has acted whatsoever which is potentially harmful to the public;
4. he or she is accused of having acted against public order on the road or highway by intimidating, disparaging, bullying, or disturbing another driver or passenger;

The Registrar has the power to demand the seizure of driving license; provided that the seizure shall not last longer than one year.

In the case where a driving licensee under section 43 (4), (5) or (6/1) is an alleged offender enumerated in section 49 (8), the Registrar or Inspector or the person entrusted by the Director-General has the power to seize the driving license under section 43 (4), (5) or (6/1) as from the date of litigation until the date of final judgment. Pending the final judgment the Registrar shall not grant renewal of such driving license.  

In seizing the driving license, the seizer shall record the seizure in the driving license.

**Section 55.** In the case where the driving license is lost or essentially damage, the driving licensee shall file an application for a substitute of the driving license to the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of knowledge of such incident. And in the case where the lost driving license is recovered, the substitute of

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60 Section 53/3 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
61 Section 54 paragraph three is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
driving license shall be returned to the Registrar within fifteen days from the date of recovery.

Application for registration and issuance of a substitute of driving license shall be in accordance with the rule prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 56. Subject to the provisions of section 43 and section 57, no owner of vehicle or driver shall allow any person who has no driving license, or having a driving license of other category of vehicle which is not interchangeable, to drive his or her vehicle or the vehicle which he or she is the driver.

Section 57. In practicing to drive vehicle, the trainee shall be controlled by a person whose driving license has been granted for not less than three years.

In practicing to drive vehicle, no person other than the trainee and the controller shall be allowed to be present in the vehicle; otherwise the controller shall be responsible for any occurring damage, unless he or she can prove that the trainee has contravened or failed to follow the instruction in the time of driving.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 57 bis. The Inspector has power to order a driver to stop the vehicle for inspection of compliance with this Act, and the power to order any person to take action necessary for such inspection. And upon finding that any person has contravened or failed to comply with the provisions this Act, the Inspector may give a warning or, for the purpose of imposing penalty fine, order in writing to have such person be present before the Registrar within seven days from the date of issuing the order; except in case of an offense liable to imprisonment, the inspector shall deliver such person to the competent inquiry officer for further proceedings.

In ordering such person to be present before the Registrar under paragraph one, the Inspector may temporarily keep the driving license of such person; provided that such driving license must be urgently delivered to the Registrar

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62 Section 57 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).

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within eight hours from the moment of issuing the order, and such order shall be
deemed a temporary driving license within the period prescribed for being present
before the Registrar.

The order requiring such person to be present before the Registrar under paragraph one shall be in the form prescribed by the Director-General.

Section 57 ter. In the performance of duties under this Act, the Inspector shall produce his or her identity card to the person concerned.

The identity card of the Inspector shall be in the form prescribed by the Minister.

Section 57 quarter. In the time of employment in transport of passenger, no driver of public vehicle or public motorcycle shall refuse to be employed, except in case such transport is potentially dangerous for himself or herself or the passenger.

The provisions of paragraph one shall not apply to the driver of public motorcycle in refusing to be employed in transport of passenger in the routes or localities other than that of his or her employment in transport of passenger.

Section 57 quinque. The driver of public vehicle or public motorcycle must take passenger to the destination through the shortest or fastest route, or must not excessively bypass, and must take passenger to the place already agree upon.

No driver under paragraph one shall by any reason whatsoever abandon the passenger on the way.

Section 57 sex. While driving public vehicle or public motorcycle, the driver must:

(1) refrain from smoking or acting anything in the manner annoying passenger;

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63 Section 57 ter is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 10), B.E. 2542 (1999).
64 Section 57 quarter is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
65 Section 57 quinque is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
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(2) refrain from impolite, sarcastic, disparaging, or aggressive remark or gesture toward passenger;

(3) refrain from drinking alcohol, getting drunk or consuming other intoxicant;

(4) refrain from being addicted to narcotics under the law on narcotics;

(5) refrain from being addicted to psychotropic substance under the law on psychotropic substance;

(6) refrain from driving while being under-capacity to drive;

(7) comply with the requirement on safety in employment in transport of passenger prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation.

Chapter IV
Penalty Provisions

Section 58. Any person who violates or fails to comply with the Ministerial Regulation issued under section 5 (2), (3), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (15) or (16) shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 58/1. Any driver of vehicle employed in transport of passenger who violates or fails to comply with the requirement prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation issued under section 5 (15/1) shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five thousand Baht.

Section 59. Any person who violates section 6 paragraph one shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten thousand Baht.

Section 60. Any person who violates or fails to comply with section 6 paragraph two and paragraph three, section 11, section 12 paragraph one, section 13 paragraph one, section 14, section 16 paragraph one, section 17 paragraph one

67 Section 58 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
68 Section 58/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
69 Section 59 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 4), B.E. 2527 (1984).
70 Section 60 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 4), B.E. 2527 (1984).

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and paragraph two, section 18 paragraph one, section 20 paragraph one, section 21, section 22 paragraph one, section 27 paragraph one, section 56 or section 57 shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two thousand Baht.

Section 61. Any person who fails to comply with section 15, section 28, or section 35/3 paragraph one or fails to comply with the order of the Registrar under section 36 or section 53 paragraph two shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 62. Any person who is employed in transport of passenger by a taxi or an inter-provincial taxi in the locality announced by the Minister under section 23 paragraph one without licensed by the Registrar or without exempted under section 23 paragraph two or paragraph three shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten thousand Baht.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 62/1. Any person employed in transport of passenger who violates or fails to comply with section 23/1 shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two thousand Baht.

Section 63. Any person who is employed in transport of passenger by a taxi or an inter-provincial taxi in the locality announced by the Minister under section 23 paragraph one beyond the expiration date of license or after the license is revoked shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two thousand Baht.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 63/1. Any licensee under section 23 who violates or fails to comply with section 25 paragraph two shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

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71 Section 61 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
72 Section 62/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
73 Section 63/1 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
Section 63/2. Any driving licensee who violates or fails to comply with section 53/3 shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 64. Any person who drives a vehicle without a driving license shall be liable to an imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month or to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht, or to both.

Section 65. Any person who drives a vehicle beyond the expiration date of driving license, or during suspension, revocation or seizure of driving license shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two thousand Baht.

Section 66. Any person driving a vehicle without producing driving license and a photocopy of vehicle registration certificate under section 42 shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 66/1. Any person who violates or fails to comply with the order of the Inspector issued under section 57 bis shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five thousand Baht.

Section 66/2. Any person who violates or fails to comply with section 57 quarter, section 57 quinque, or section 57 sex (1) or (2) shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 66/3. Any person who fails to comply with section 57 sex (3) or (6) shall be liable to an imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine from two thousand to ten thousand Baht, or to both.

74 Section 63/2 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
75 Section 65 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
76 Section 66/1 is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
77 Section 66/2 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
78 Section 66/3 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).

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Section 66/4. Any person who violates section 57 sex (4) or (5) shall be liable to one-third penalty higher than those prescribed in the law on narcotics or the law on psychotropic substance, as the case may be.

Section 66/5. Any person who collects traveling fee or other service fee in excess of the rate prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five thousand Baht.

Section 67. Any person who:
(1) allows other person to use the license or sign issued for him or her by the Registrar;
(2) uses the sign issued for a vehicle by the Registrar on another vehicle;
(3) uses the sign issued for other person by the Registrar;
(4) modifies by any means or conceals the whole or a part of the sign issued for a vehicle by the Registrar; or
(5) uses the vehicle exempted from paying fees under section 9, or exempted from annual tax payment under section 30, or reduced annual tax payment under section 31, for a purpose other than those exempted from or reduced tax payment;

shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand Baht.

Section 67 bis. All the offences under this Act which is punishable by fine only, the Director-General or the person entrusted by the Director-General has the power to settle the case. After the accused has paid the amount of fine determined by the Director-General or the person entrusted by the Director-General within thirty days, the case is deemed to be settled in accordance with the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code.

If the accused does not agree to pay the amount of fine determined, or even though agreed but fails to pay the fine within the said period, the case shall be instituted for further proceeding.

79 Section 66/4 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
80 Section 66/5 is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
81 Section 67 bis is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 7), B.E. 2530 (1987).
Transitional Provisions

Section 68. For the purpose of collecting annual tax, for the first year of annual tax payment after the date this Act comes into force in case of the vehicles already registered, the Registrar shall modify the annual tax payment scheme by rearranging the vehicles due to pay annual tax into each month of the year, which contain the amount of vehicles due to pay tax as the Registrar deems appropriate, and announce the new annual tax payment scheme at the office of the Registrar which the person due to pay tax shall be informed not less than one month in advance, however, the Registrar shall carry out this annual tax payment scheme within two years from the date this Act comes into force.

In computing the annual tax to be paid in monthly duration under paragraph one, the annual tax for such vehicle shall be averaged.

Section 69. As for the vehicle and accessory of vehicle which does not comply with this Act and already exists on the date this Act is published in the Government Gazette, or will be imported into the Kingdom within six months from the date this Act is published in the Government Gazette, the Minister shall have power to delay the compliance with this Act as appropriate to the case; provided that if permission to use it is granted, it shall not exceed three years from the date this Act is published in the Government Gazette.

Section 70. All the Ministerial Regulations, orders, or announcements issued under the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473 shall continue to be in force, in so far as they are not contrary to or inconsistent with this Act, until the Ministerial Regulation, order, or announcement is issued under this Act.

Section 71. In any locality where there is an announcement requiring the employment in transport of passenger by taxi must be operated by a public company, limited company, or cooperative, and must be licensed by the Registrar under the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473, including the duration extended under such announcement, such announcement shall be deemed an announcement of the Minister under section 23, and the licensee already operating in such locality on the
date this Act comes into force shall be deemed a licensee under section 23 and must continued to be operated by a public company, limited company, or cooperative.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Section 72. All the licenses and driving licenses issued under the Vehicle Act, B.E. 2473 before the date this Act comes into force shall continue to be valid until the expiration of term of such licenses or driving licenses.

[The word “vehicle” is amended its spelling in Thai version under section 3 of the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).]

Countersigned by
S. Hotragitya
Deputy Prime Minister
Rate of Fees

(1) Application 5 Baht each.
(2) Vehicle registration certificate 100 Baht each.
(3) Vehicle registration plate 100 Baht each.

(3/1) Application for using a number of vehicle registration:
   (a) Application for using a number of vehicle registration issued for a vehicle on another vehicle 1,000 Baht each time.
   (b) Application for using a number of vehicle registration never having been issued for any vehicle on a vehicle already registered 1,000 Baht each time.
   (c) Application for using a number of vehicle registration having been imposed special fee acquired from a general bidding under section 10/1 on a vehicle in (a) or (b) 3,000 Baht each time.

(4) Application for searching for information of a vehicle registration or amending the particulars in the vehicle registration and vehicle registration certificate of:
   (a) a motorcycle 10 Baht each time.
   (b) a conveyance other than (a) 50 Baht each time.

(5) Transfer of a vehicle registration

(6) Moving of:
   (a) a vehicle 50 Baht each time.
   (b) a conveyance other than (a) 20 Baht each time.

(7) Vehicle condition examination of:
   (a) a motorcycle 10 Baht each.
   (b) a conveyance other than (a) 50 Baht each.

(8) A license under section 23 1,000 Baht each.
(9) A license under section 27 1,000 Baht each.
(10) A special sign under section 27 100 Baht each.
(11) A vehicle registration certificate under section 27 100 Baht each.
(12) A license for vehicle under the Convention on Road Traffic concluded in Geneva in 1949, and Thailand has made an accession on 15th of August 1962 1,000 Baht each.

82 Rate of fees (3/1) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).

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(13) A driving license under the Convention on Road Traffic concluded in Geneva in 1949, and Thailand has made an accession on 15th of August 1962 1,000 Baht each.

(14) A temporary driving license under section 43 (1) 500 Baht each.

(15) A private car driving license 1,000 Baht each.

(16) A private motor tricycle driving license 500 Baht each.

(17) A public vehicle driving license 1,000 Baht each.

(18) A public motor tricycle driving license 500 Baht each.

(19) A private motorcycle driving license 500 Baht each.

(19/1) A public motorcycle driving license 500 Baht each.

(20) A roller driving license 500 Baht each.

(21) A tractor driving license 500 Baht each.

(22) A driving license under section 43 (9) 500 Baht each.

(23) (repealed)

(24) (repealed)

(25) (repealed)

(26) (repealed)

(27) (repealed)

(28) Amending the particulars in the driving license 50 Baht each time.

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83 Rate of fees (14) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
84 Rate of fees (15) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
85 Rate of fees (16) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
86 Rate of fees (17) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
87 Rate of fees (18) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
88 Rate of fees (19) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
89 Rate of fees (19/1) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
90 Rate of fees (20) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
91 Rate of fees (21) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
92 Rate of fees (22) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
93 Rate of fees (23) is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
94 Rate of fees (24) is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
95 Rate of fees (25) is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
96 Rate of fees (26) is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).
97 Rate of fees (27) is repealed by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).

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(29) Permission in writing under section 17 paragraph two or section 18 50 Baht each.

(30) A substitute of vehicle registration certificate 50 Baht each.

(31) A substitute of license half of the fee of such license but not exceeding 100 Baht each.

(32) A substitute of sign of annual tax payment 20 Baht each.

(33) A substitute of permission in writing 25 Baht each.

(34) Other fee 20 Baht each time.

(35) Certification of a photocopy of document 20 Baht per page.

(36) Renewal of driving license each time equal to the driving license fee.

**Rate of Annual Tax**

(1) Annual tax for a private car of not exceeding seven passengers shall be collected in accordance with total capacity of cylinders of the engine of each car at the following rates:

(a) For the first 600 cubic centimeters 0.5 Baht for each cubic centimeters;

(b) For the part of exceeding 600 but not exceeding 1,800 cubic centimeters 1.50 Baht for each cubic centimeters;

(c) For the rest of the part of exceeding 1,800 cubic centimeters 4 Baht for each cubic centimeters.

The annual tax for the vehicle under (1) which is owned by a juristic person for use other than hire purchase by a natural person in the operation concerning hire purchase of such juristic person shall be doubled.

(2) Annual tax for a private car of exceeding seven passengers shall be collected in accordance with the weight at the following rates:

(a) weight of not exceeding 500 kilogram 150 Baht each;

(b) weighing from 501 - 750 kilogram 300 Baht each;

(c) weighing from 751 - 1,000 kilogram 450 Baht each;

(d) weighing from 1,001 - 1,250 kilogram 800 Baht each;

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98 Rate of fees (36) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 12), B.E. 2546 (2003).

99 Rate of annual tax (1) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 2), B.E. 2524 (1981).

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(e) weighing from 1,251 - 1,500 kilogram 1,000 Baht each;  
(f) weighing from 1,501 - 1,750 kilogram 1,300 Baht each;  
(g) weighing from 1,751 - 2,000 kilogram 1,600 Baht each;  
(h) weighing from 2,001 - 2,500 kilogram 1,900 Baht each;  
(i) weighing from 2,501 - 3,000 kilogram 2,200 Baht each;  
(j) weighing from 3,001 - 3,500 kilogram 2,400 Baht each;  
(k) weighing from 3,501 - 4,000 kilogram 2,600 Baht each;  
(l) weighing from 4,001 - 4,500 kilogram 2,800 Baht each;  
(m) weighing from 4,501 - 5,000 kilogram 3,000 Baht each;  
(n) weighing from 5,001 - 6,000 kilogram 3,200 Baht each;  
(o) weighing from 6,001 – 7,000 kilogram 3,400 Baht each;  
(p) weighing 7,001 kilogram upward 3,600 Baht each.  

(3) Annual tax for a motorcycle shall be collected at the following rates:  
(a) private motorcycle 100 Baht each;  
(b) public motorcycle 100 Baht each.  

(4) A sidecar of private motorcycle 50 Baht each.  
(5) A sidecar other than (4) 100 Baht each.  
(6) A roller 200 Baht each.  
(7) A tractor for use in agriculture 50 Baht each.  

(8) Annual tax for an inter-provincial taxi and service vehicle shall be collected in accordance with the weight at the following rates:  
(a) weight of not exceeding 500 kilogram 450 Baht each;  
(b) weighing from 501 - 750 kilogram 750 Baht each;  
(c) weighing from 751 – 1,000 kilogram 1,050 Baht each;  
(d) weighing from 1,001 - 1,250 kilogram 1,350 Baht each;  
(e) weighing from 1,251 - 1,500 kilogram 1,650 Baht each;  
(f) weighing from 1,501 - 1,750 kilogram 2,100 Baht each;  
(g) weighing from 1,751 - 2,000 kilogram 2,550 Baht each;  
(h) weighing from 2,001 - 2,500 kilogram 3,000 Baht each;  
(i) weighing from 2,501 - 3,000 kilogram 3,450 Baht each;  

100 Rate of annual tax (3) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).  
101 Rate of annual tax (4) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 13), B.E. 2547 (2004).
(j) weighing from 3,001 - 3,500 kilogram 3,900 Baht each;  
(k) weighing from 3,501 - 4,000 kilogram 4,350 Baht each;  
(l) weighing from 4,001 - 4,500 kilogram 4,800 Baht each;  
(m) weighing from 4,501 - 5,000 kilogram 5,250 Baht each  
(n) weighing from 5,001 - 6,000 kilogram 5,700 Baht each  
(o) weighing from 6,001 – 7,000 kilogram 6,150 Baht each;  
(p) weighing 7,001 kilogram upward 6,600 Baht each.

(9) Annual tax for a taxi shall be collected in accordance with the weight at the following rates:  

(a) weight of not exceeding 500 kilogram 185 Baht each;  
(b) weighing from 501 - 750 kilogram 310 Baht each;  
(c) weighing from 751 - 1,000 kilogram 450 Baht each;  
(d) weighing from 1,001 - 1,250 kilogram 560 Baht each;  
(e) weighing from 1,251 - 1,500 kilogram 685 Baht each;  
(f) weighing from 1,501 - 1,750 kilogram 875 Baht each;  
(g) weighing from 1,751 - 2,000 kilogram 1,060 Baht each;  
(h) weighing from 2,001 - 2,500 kilogram 1,250 Baht each;  
(i) weighing from 2,501 - 3,000 kilogram 1,435 Baht each;  
(j) weighing from 3,001 - 3,500 kilogram 1,625 Baht each;  
(k) weighing from 3,501 - 4,000 kilogram 1,810 Baht each;  
(l) weighing from 4,001 - 4,500 kilogram 2,000 Baht each;  
(m) weighing from 4,501 - 5,000 kilogram 2,185 Baht each  
(n) weighing from 5,001 - 6,000 kilogram 2,375 Baht each  
(o) weighing from 6,001 – 7,000 kilogram 2,560 Baht each;  
(p) weighing 7,001 kilogram upward 2,750 Baht each.

(10) Annual tax for a private pick-up truck, vehicle using for pulling other than private transport operation under the law on land transport or tractor in use other than agriculture shall be collected in accordance with the weight at the following rates:  

(a) weight of not exceeding 500 kilogram 300 Baht each;  
(b) weighing from 501 - 750 kilogram 450 Baht each;  
(c) weighing from 751 - 1,000 kilogram 600 Baht each;  
(d) weighing from 1,001 - 1,250 kilogram 750 Baht each;  
(e) weighing from 1,251 - 1,500 kilogram 900 Baht each;  
(f) weighing from 1,501 - 1,750 kilogram 1,050 Baht each;
(g) weighing from 1,751 - 2,000 kilogram 1,350 Baht each;  
(h) weighing from 2,001 - 2,500 kilogram 1,650 Baht each;  
(i) weighing from 2,501 - 3,000 kilogram 1,950 Baht each;  
(j) weighing from 3,001 - 3,500 kilogram 2,250 Baht each;  
(k) weighing from 3,501 - 4,000 kilogram 2,550 Baht each;  
(l) weighing from 4,001 - 4,500 kilogram 2,850 Baht each;  
(m) weighing from 4,501 - 5,000 kilogram 3,150 Baht each  
(n) weighing from 5,001 - 6,000 kilogram 3,450 Baht each  
(o) weighing from 6,001 – 7,000 kilogram 3,750 Baht each;  
(p) weighing 7,001 kilogram upward 4,050 Baht each.

(11) Annual tax for a vehicle using electrical energy or vehicle driven by energy other than engine prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation shall be collected at the following rates:

(a) Annual tax for a private car of not exceeding seven passengers shall be collected in accordance with the weight at the rates under (2);  
(b) Annual tax for a vehicle other than (a) shall be collected at half the rate under (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), (9), or (10) as the case may be.

(12) Annual tax for a vehicle driven by renewable energy, ecological conservation energy, or economical energy prescribed in the Ministerial Regulation shall be collected at half the rate prescribed.

(13) The vehicle driven by engine fuelled by natural gas, which is a hydrocarbon compound mainly composing of methane, shall pay annual tax at the following rate:

(a) the vehicle having fuel system using solely natural gas, shall pay annual tax at half the rate prescribed;  
(b) the vehicle having combination fuel system of such natural gas and petroleum shall pay annual tax at three quarters of the rate prescribed.

In calculating the weight, the weight of vehicle and accessories normally attached thereto shall be included, but not includes the weight of fuel, lubricant, water and tools for use in the vehicle. Fraction of a kilogram shall be discarded.

102 Rate of annual tax (11) is amended by the Vehicle Act (No. 14), B.E. 2550 (2007).
103 Rate of annual tax (12) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 14), B.E. 2550 (2007).
104 Rate of annual tax (13) is added by the Vehicle Act (No. 14), B.E. 2550 (2007).
Glossary

รถ   conveyance
รถยนต์   vehicle
รถยนต์รับจ้าง   taxi
รถยนต์รับจ้างระหว่างจังหวัด   inter-provincial taxi
รถยนต์นั่งส่วนบุคคล   Private car
รถยนต์บรรทุกส่วนบุคคล   Private pick-up truck
รถยนต์บริการ   service vehicle
รถพ่วง   sidecar
ผู้ตรวจการ   Inspector
หนังสือแสดงการจดทะเบียนรถ   vehicle registration certificate
สถานตรวจสภาพ   a vehicle condition examination center
รถยนต์บริการธุรกิจ   business service vehicle
รถยนต์บริการทัศนาจร   tourist travel service vehicle
ค่าธรรมเนียมแผ่นป้ายทะเบียนรถ   fee for vehicle registration plate
คู่มือจดทะเบียนรถ   vehicle registration certificate
กองทุนเพื่อความปลอดภัยในการใช้รถยนต์   Road Safety Fund
สำนักงานตรวจเงินแผ่นเดิน   Office of the Auditor General of Thailand
อธิบดีกรมการขนส่งทางบก   Director-General of the Department of Land Transport
การรับจ้างบรรทุกคนโดยสาร   employment in transport of passenger