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Road Traffic (Parking) (Amendment) Regulation 2022

(Made by the Secretary for Transport and Logistics under section 12(1) of the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 16 December 2022.

2. Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations amended

The Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. C) are amended as set out in sections 3 to 8.

3. Part V heading amended (miscellaneous)

Part V, heading—

Repeal

"Miscellaneous"

Substitute

"Repair of Vehicles on Roads".

4. Part VI heading added

After regulation 27—

Add

"Part VI

Disabled Person's Parking Permits".

Section 5

5. Regulation 27A amended (application for and issue of disabled person's parking permits)

(1) Regulation 27A(2)—

Repeal

"he"

Substitute

"the Commissioner".

(2) Regulation 27A(5)—

Repeal

"or defaced"

Substitute

", defaced or damaged".

6. Regulation 27B amended (renewal of disabled person's parking permits)

Regulation 27B(2)—

Repeal

"he"

Substitute

"the Commissioner".

- 7. Regulation 27D amended (duties of the holder of a disabled person's parking permit)
 - (1) After regulation 27D(1)—

Add

"(1A) For a disabled person's parking permit issued in respect of a vehicle that is an e-permit, while a proper printout of the e-permit is displayed on the

vehicle, the printout is deemed to be the original disabled person's parking permit.".

(2) Regulation 27D(2)—

Repeal

"shall"

Substitute

", or (in the case of an e-permit) a proper printout of the e-permit, must".

(3) Regulation 27D—

Repeal subregulation (3)

Substitute

- "(3) If a disabled person's parking permit issued in respect of a vehicle is cancelled, the holder of the permit must—
 - (a) in the case of a paper permit—
 - (i) after receiving the notice of cancellation from the Commissioner, immediately ensure that the permit is not displayed on the vehicle; and
 - (ii) within 3 days after receiving the notice of cancellation, surrender the permit to the Commissioner; or
 - (b) in the case of an e-permit—after receiving the notice of cancellation from the Commissioner, immediately ensure that no printout of the e-permit is displayed on the vehicle.".
- (4) Regulation 27D(4), English text—

Repeal

"the requirement under".

(5) After regulation 27D(4)—

Add

- "(5) In this regulation
 - e-permit (電子許可證) means a disabled person's parking permit issued in the form of an electronic record (as defined by section 2(1) of the Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Cap. 553));
 - paper permit (紙本許可證) means a disabled person's parking permit issued in paper form;
 - printout (列印本) includes a copy of a printout;
 - proper printout (合規格列印本), in relation to an e-permit, means a clearly legible printout of the e-permit that conforms to the specifications specified by the Commissioner in the conditions of the permit.".

8. Part VII heading added

After regulation 27D—

Add

"Part VII

Miscellaneous".

LAM Sai-hung Secretary for Transport and Logistics

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Explanatory Note

Disabled person's parking permits (*DPPPs*) issued under the Road Traffic (Parking) Regulations (Cap. 374 sub. leg. C) (*Parking Regulations*) are currently in paper form (*paper DPPPs*). The main purpose of this Regulation is to amend the Parking Regulations to cater for DPPPs in the form of an electronic record (*e-DPPPs*).

- 2. Section 5 amends regulation 27A(5) of the Parking Regulations to ensure that the Commissioner for Transport (*Commissioner*) may issue replacement DPPPs if e-DPPPs have been damaged.
- 3. Regulation 27D of the Parking Regulations provides for the following—
 - (a) the display of DPPPs;
 - (b) the production of DPPPs for inspection by certain public officers;
 - (c) the surrender of DPPPs to the Commissioner on cancellation or refusal of renewal.

Section 7 amends that regulation 27D to deem proper printouts of e-DPPPs displayed on relevant vehicles to be original DPPPs, to provide for production of proper printouts of e-DPPPs, to dispense with the surrender of DPPPs in the case of a refusal of renewal, and to provide that cancelled paper DPPPs and printouts of cancelled e-DPPPs must not be displayed.

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4. The Regulation also—

- (a) makes minor technical amendments to the structure of the Parking Regulations to place provisions relating to DPPPs in a separate Part (see sections 3, 4 and 8); and
- (b) makes other minor textual amendments.