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I, **Harry James Duynhoven**, Minister for Transport Safety,

**HEREBY** make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment

**SIGNED AT** Wellington

This *8th* day of *August* 2005

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**Minister for Transport Safety**

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## Objective of the Rule

### **Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices**

**Amendment 2005** amends *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004*, which specifies the requirements for the design, construction, installation, operation and maintenance of traffic control devices, and sets out the functions and responsibilities of road controlling authorities in providing traffic control devices.

The objectives of this amendment to *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004* are:

- to substitute a new Roundabout Give-Way sign (R2-3) that incorporates the words 'Give Way', and a new Give-way Roundabout variable sign (R2-3.1); and to substitute a new R1-2.1, variable speed sign for the existing sign;
- to amend the definitions of 'transit lane' and 'bus lane' to allow mopeds to use bus lanes and transit lanes (a corresponding amendment has been included in *Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004*);
- to make some minor corrections to the Rule, including the insertion of a lane-use arrow diagram that had been inadvertently omitted from *Schedule 2* and corrections to the 'Permitted steady sign displays' material in *Schedule 3*.

## Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, a number of amendments proposed to *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004* and 12 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single draft Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2005* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule). The changes proposed were intended mainly to convert remaining provisions in the *Traffic Regulations 1976* to Rules, to update vehicle standards, to delete redundant provisions and clarify provisions and to correct some errors in Rules.

On 1 April 2005, Land Transport New Zealand (Land Transport NZ) sent a letter containing the Rule amendment proposals to about 2200 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended, and sought submissions on the proposed changes. The draft Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the Land Transport NZ Help Desk and was available together with Questions and Answers on the Land Transport NZ website. The availability of the draft was publicised in five metropolitan daily newspapers, *Te Karere National News* and the *New Zealand Gazette*. Land Transport NZ received 33 submissions on the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 11 commented on the proposals relating to traffic control devices.

Following consultation, the provisions in the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into separate amendment Rules, including this Rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in drafting the amendment Rules before the Rules were submitted to the Minister for Transport Safety for signing.





## **Part 1**                      **Rule requirements**

### **Section 1**                      **Application**

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#### **1.1**                              **Title**

1.1(1)                              This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment 2005*.

1.1(2)                              In this Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004* is called ‘the principal Rule’.

#### **1.2**                              **Date when Rule comes into force**

This Rule comes into force on 15 September 2005.

### **Section 2**                      **Amendments relating to traffic control devices**

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#### **2.1**                              **Signs on traffic signals or pedestrian poles**

*Subclause 4.5(2)* of the principal Rule is amended by omitting the expression “*8.2(9)*”, and substituting the expression “*8.2(10)(b)*”.

#### **2.2**                              **Displays for special classes of vehicle**

*Subclause 6.4(11)* of the principal Rule is amended by revoking *paragraph (c)*, and substituting the following paragraph:

“(c) may include a column of white, yellow and red T signals in the display of traffic signals.”

#### **2.3**                              **Time-restricted parking**

*Clause 12.4* of the principal Rule is amended by revoking *subclause (12)*.

## Section 3                      Amendments to definitions

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### 3.1                                      Substitution of definition

*Part 2* of the principal Rule is amended by revoking the definition of **light-rail vehicle**, and substituting the following definition:

**“Light-rail vehicle**

“(a) means a rail vehicle that is designed to run along a road among other road vehicles and users; and

“(b) includes a tram; but

“(c) does not include:

    “(i) a rail vehicle approaching or on a level crossing; or

    “(ii) a rail vehicle while it is on a railway line that is not on a road.”

### 3.2                                      Amendment to existing definitions

3.2(1)                                      *Part 2* of the principal Rule is amended by revoking *paragraph (b)* of the definition of **bus lane**, and substituting the following paragraph:

“(b) cycles, mopeds and motorcycles (unless any or all are specifically excluded by the signs)”.

3.2(2)                                      *Part 2* of the principal Rule is amended by adding after *paragraph (d)* of the definition of **transit lane**, the following paragraph:

“(e) mopeds”.

## **Section 4                      Amendments to schedules**

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### **4.1                              Amendments to *Schedule 1, Signs***

*Schedule 1 of Part 3* of the principal Rule is amended by revoking the signs R1-2.1, R2-3 and R2-3.1, and substituting the signs R1-2.1, R2-3 and R2-3.1 set out in *Schedule 1* of this Rule.

### **4.2                              Amendment to *Schedule 2, Markings***

*Schedule 2 of Part 3* of the principal Rule is amended by inserting, in its appropriate position, the diagram M7-1 set out in *Schedule 2* of this Rule.

### **4.3                              Amendments to *Schedule 3, Traffic signals***

*Schedule 3 of Part 3* of the principal Rule is amended by:

- (a)    revoking the heading “S4-5 Two-column 5-aspect” where it first appears, and substituting the heading “S4-4 Two-column 4-aspect”; and
- (b)    omitting from item S4-6 diagrams 6D and 6E, and inserting them, as diagrams 5G and 5H, under the heading “S4-5 Three-column 5-aspect”.

## Part 2 Schedules

### Schedule 1 Amendments to *Schedule 1, Signs* [Ref. Cl. 4.1]

#### Signs substituted in *Schedule 1 of Part 3 of the principal Rule*

##### R1-2.1 Variable speed

*Highest speed limit is the number of km/h shown on the sign*

**Shape and size** rectangle 800 x 800 mm

**Background** black (R)

**Border** none

Legend	Description	Colour	Size
- sign	R1-1 with a changeable speed value	roundel red (lit) or red (R)  numerals yellow (lit) or white (lit)	600 mm diameter effective roundel width equivalent to 200/31
- option	optional lights in each corner, which may flash in alternate diagonal pairs	yellow or white when lit	effective 90 mm diameter circle

##### R2-3 Give-way roundabout

*Meaning set out in clause 4.6 of Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004*

**Shape and size** equilateral triangle sides 865 mm long mounted above rectangle 600 x 250 mm

**Background** white (R)

**Border** triangle red (R) 65 mm, rectangle red (R) 15 mm

Legend	Description	Colour	Size
Triangle	'symbol of 3 circulating Arrows'	black	shaft 37 mm
Rectangle	'GIVE WAY'	red (R)	100/12.5

**R2-3.1 Give-way roundabout variable**

*Meaning set out in clause 4.6 of Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004*

**Shape and size** 1200 x 1200 mm

**Background** black (unlit)

**Border** none

<b>Legend</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Colour</b>	<b>Size</b>
	form of R2-3 sign	edge line of triangle red (lit) allows yellow (lit) or white (lit) 'GIVE WAY' yellow (lit) or white (lit)	effective 65 mm wide effective shaft 37 mm 100/12.5 effective 100/12.5

Schedule 2

Amendment to *Schedule 2, Markings*  
[Ref. Cl. 4.2]

New diagram inserted in *Schedule 2 of Part 3* of the principal Rule

[Ref. Cl. 7.12(3)(a)]

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Lane use arrows

