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Land Transport Act 1998

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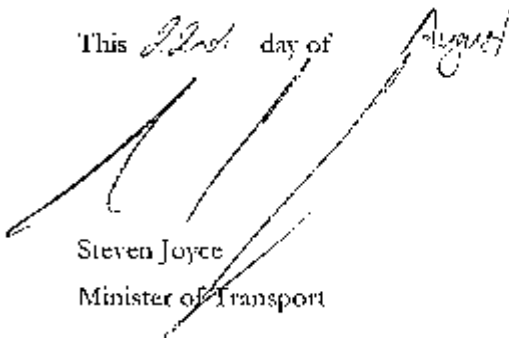
HEREBY make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

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Steven Joyce
Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment 2011 amends *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004* (“the Rule”). The Rule 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 to give effect to their decisions on the control of traffic.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to:

- change and update the description of the W17-1.3 traffic sign specified in the Rule so that it better reflects the wording of the related provision of the *Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004*;
- insert a heading for the W19 series of signs in *Schedule 1* of the Rule to ensure that the format of this series is consistent with that used for headings in the Schedule.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004* and 10 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single draft Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Omnibus Amendment 2011* (the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule).

On 1 June 2011, the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2200 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The draft Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZTA Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also made available on the NZTA’s website. The availability of the

draft for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the *New Zealand Gazette*. The NZTA received 17 submissions on the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 12 commented on the proposed amendments to the Rule.

Following consultation, the provisions in the draft Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into 11 separate amendment Rules, including this Rule. The submissions that were received were taken into account in finalising this amendment Rule before it was submitted to the Minister of Transport for signing.

Section 1 Application

1.1 Title

This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices Amendment 2011*.

1.2 Date when Rule comes into force

This Rule comes into force on 1 October 2011.

1.3 Scope of Rule

This Rule amends *Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004*.

Section 2 Amendments to Schedules

2.1 Amendments to *Schedule 1*

Schedule 1 of *Part 3* is amended by:

- (a) substituting the following for the explanatory text in item “W17-1.3 School bus – “symbolic children” plus flashing lights”:

“Drivers must slow to 20 km/h if a bus has stopped to pick up or drop off children, or if the bus is stopped and the lights on the sign are flashing – clause 5.6 of the Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004.

“At other times when the lights are flashing, drivers should slow down and be prepared to stop if necessary.”; and

- (b) inserting the following as a heading before item W19-1:

“W19

“General and symbolic signs”.