

26th July 2013

LEGAL NOTICE No. 122

THE TRAFFIC ACT
(Cap.103)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 119 of the Traffic Act, the Cabinet Secretary for Transport makes the following Rules:-

THE TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) (No. 2) RULES. 2013

1. These rules may be cited as the Traffic (Amendment) (No.2) Rules, 2013.

2. Rule 2 of the Traffic Rules (in these Rules referred to as the "principal Rules") is amended by inserting the following definition immediately after the definition of "authorised permit"

"Authority" has the meaning assigned to it under the National Transport and Safety Authority Act, 2012.

3. The principal Rules are amended by inserting the following new rule immediately after rule 6.

"6 A. (1) A person may apply to the Authority to be issued with personalised number plates upon payment of the fees prescribed in the First schedule.

(2) Where a personalised registration number is transferred to another vehicle, an amount equivalent to two per cent of the fees payable for personalised registration fee under paragraph (1) shall be payable over and above the normal registration fee.

(3) The following class of motor vehicles may not be issued with personalized identification plates-

- (a) Public Service Vehicle;
- (b) Cargo Trucks (private or for hire);
- (c) Service Vehicles (ambulance and funeral hearse);
- (d) Diplomatic Vehicle;
- (e) Tractor; and
- (f) Heavy machinery.

(4) An application for a personalised registration shall be made to the Authority who may process and approve or reject the application.

(5) Where a person intends to use the personalized identification plates on another motor vehicle upon disposal of a vehicle which initially had a personalized identification plate, a retention certificate may be issued by the Authority for a period not exceeding six months.

(6) The personalized identification plates shall, where it is not used within six months, be returned to the safe keeping.

(7) A registration plate of a County Government vehicle used by persons occupying the office of the Governor-

(a) may with prior approval of the Cabinet Secretary, have on it the inscriptions specified in the second column for the County specified in the first Column of the Thirteenth Schedule; and

(b) shall be strictly fixed on the official motor vehicle of the Governor and shall not be interchanged without prior approval of the Authority.

(8) Any person who uses unauthorized personalized number plates commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years cars, or both.

4. The principal Rules are amended in the First Schedule –

(a) by inserting the following entries immediately after the entries relating to "s.6 (6)-

"r. 6A (1) Registration of personalized number plates – 1,000,000

Replacement of defaced or lost personalized number plate 50,000

(b) by renumbering the existing provision as Part 1 and inserting the following new part –

"PART II-Specifications on Personalized Number Plates:

(a) The front and rear plates shall have seven characters comprised of letters of the alphabet or numerals.

(b) The characters on the number plates shall be in capital letters only.

(c) Any form of signs, symbols or any abusive words shall not be used on the plates.

(d) The letters “O” and “I” shall not be used unless they are used in a complete word.

(e) The front plates shall be embossed with a reflective white background and the rear plates shall be embossed with a reflective yellow background.

(f) The Personalized Number Plates shall –

(i) not be transferable and shall when the vehicle is disposed, be surrendered and the vehicle re-registered.

(ii) be vehicle specific, and shall not be transferred to any other vehicle.

(iii) be unique to the vehicle's Chassis number and Engine number.

(iv) be displayed on aluminium embossed plates with the rear registration plate being of size 205 (two hundred and five) by 230 (two hundred and thirty) millimeters (205mm x 230mm).

(g) An alternate rear "elongated" plate shall bear the National Flag and the security hologram both at the left hand side and shall be of a size 522 mm (five hundred and twenty two) and 114 (one hundred and fourteen) millimeters (522 x 114) mm.

(h) The front registration plate shall bear the National Flag with the security hologram at the left hand side and shall be of size five hundred and twenty two by one hundred and fourteen millimeters (522mm x 114mm).

5. The principle Rules are amended by adding the following new Schedule immediately after the Twelfth Schedule.

THIRTEENTH SCHEDULE

(Rule 6A)

<i>County</i>	<i>Registration Number</i>
Mombasa	GVN001A GVN001B
Kwale	GVN002B GVN002B
Kilifi	GVN003A GVN003B
Tana River	GVN04A GVN04B
Lamu	GVN05A GVN05B
Taita/Taveta	GVN06A GVN06B
Garissa	GVN07A GVN07B
Wajir	GVN08A GVN08B
Mandera	GVN09A GVN09B
Marsabit	GVN010A GVN010B
Isiolo	GVN011A GVN011B
Meru	GVN012A

	GVN012B
Tharaka-Nithi	GVN013A GVN013B
Embu	GVN014A GVN014B
Kitui	GVN015A GVN015B
Machakos	GVN016A GVN016B
Makueni	GVN017A GVN017B
Nyandarua	GVN018A GVN018B
Nyeri	GVN019A GVN019B
Kirinyaga	GVN020A GVN020B
Murang'a	GVN021A GVN021B
Kiambu	GVN022A GVN022B
Turkana	GVN023A GVN023B
West Pokot	GVN024A GVN024B
Samburu	GVN025A GVN025B
Trans Nzoia	GVN026A GVN026B
Uasin Gishu	GVN027A GVN027B
Elgeyo/Marakwet	GVN028A GVN028B
Nandi	GVN029A GVN029B
Baringo	GVN030A GVN030B
Laikipia	GVN031A GVN031B
Nakuru	GVN032A GVN032B
Narok	GVN033A GVN033B
Kajiado	GVN034A GVN034B
Kericho	GVN035A GVN035B
Bomet	GVN036A GVN036B
Kakamega	GVN037A GVN037B
Vihiga	GVN038A GVN038B
Bungoma	GVN039A GVN039B

Busia	GVN040A GVN040B
Siaya	GVN041A GVN041B
Kisumu	GVN042A GVN042B
Homa Bay	GVN043A GVN043B
Migori	GVN044A GVN044B
Kisii	GVN045A GVN045B
Nyamira	GVN046A GVN046B
Nairobi	GVN047A GVN047B

Dated the 20th June, 2013

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Cabinet Secretary