

*Government Notice (Rodrigues Regional Assembly) No. 1 of 2017*

**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY (SHIPMENT OF  
MOTOR VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 2017**

**Regulations made by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly under  
section 31 of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act**

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**1. Short title**

These regulations may be cited as the Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Shipment of Motor Vehicles) Regulations 2017.

**2. Interpretation**

In these regulations –

“classic or vintage motor car” means a motor car which has been registered before 1 January 1970;

“Commissioner” means the Commissioner to whom responsibility for the subject of transport is assigned;

“Departmental Head” means the Departmental Head of the Commission responsible for the subject of transport;

“motor vehicle” has the same meaning as in the Road Traffic Act;

“motor vehicle examination centre” means the motor vehicle examination centre of the Commission responsible for the subject of transport;

“shipment” means the shipment of a motor vehicle from the island of Mauritius, or from any other State via the island of Mauritius, to Rodrigues;

“shipment permit” means a permit referred to in regulation 4.

### **3. Application of regulations**

(1) Subject to paragraph (2), these regulations shall not apply to –

(a) a public officer who is on a tour of service, or has been assigned duties, in Rodrigues; and

(b) a classic or vintage motor car.

(2) A public officer referred to in paragraph (1)(a) shall, unless he sells the vehicle, on the termination of his tour of service or assignment of duties, return to Mauritius any motor vehicle he had shipped in the course of his tour of service or assignment of duties.

### **4. Shipment permit**

(1) Subject to regulation 5, no person shall ship a motor vehicle unless a shipment permit in respect of a motor vehicle has been issued to him.

(2) (a) Any person who wishes to ship a motor vehicle to Rodrigues shall make a written application to the Departmental Head in the form set out in the First Schedule.

(b) The application referred to in subparagraph (a) shall be accompanied by the documents specified in the First Schedule.

(3) Every application under paragraph (2) shall be submitted to the Departmental Head at least 15 days before the date of shipment of the motor vehicle.

(4) The Departmental Head may, on receipt of an application –

(a) consult such person as he may determine; and

(b) request the applicant to furnish such additional information or document as he may determine.

(5) The Departmental Head may grant or refuse to issue a shipment permit.

(6) (a) No vehicle shall be shipped to Rodrigues unless it complies with the maximum age limit specified in the Second Schedule.

(b) (i) The Departmental Head may, on payment of the fee specified in the Third Schedule, issue a shipment permit to the applicant within 7 working days of the date of the application.

(ii) A shipment permit shall be in the form set out in the Fourth Schedule.

(7) (a) Where the Departmental Head refuses an application, he shall, within 15 days of his decision, inform the applicant accordingly.

(b) Any applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Departmental Head may, within 15 days after having been informed of the decision, appeal to the Commissioner.

(c) An appeal shall be made in such form and manner as the Commissioner may determine.

**5. Validity of shipment permit**

(1) A shipment permit shall –

(a) not be transferrable; and

(b) be subject to such other conditions as the Departmental Head may determine.

(2) Any person who ships a motor vehicle to Rodrigues shall ensure that the motor vehicle arrives in Rodrigues on or before the date of validity specified on the shipment permit.

**6. Restriction on additional permit**

(1) Not more than one shipment permit shall be issued to a person within 6 months of the date of registration of a motor vehicle unless the motor vehicle has been declared a total loss by a motor vehicle surveyor.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a dealer of motor vehicles or a person holding a public service vehicle licence for contract cars.

**7. Pre-registration examination**

The Departmental Head may, notwithstanding that a valid certificate of fitness has been issued by the National Transport Authority in respect of a motor vehicle, instruct the officer in charge of the motor vehicle examination centre to examine the motor vehicle shipped to Rodrigues prior to its registration.

**8. Offences**

(1) Any person who contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 10,000 rupees.

(2) The Court may, in addition to a penalty imposed under paragraph (1), order –

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- (a) the forfeiture of a motor vehicle in respect of which the offence was committed; or
  - (b) the offender to return the motor vehicle to the place from which it was shipped at his expense.

**9. Commencement**

These regulations shall come into operation on 1 January 2018.

Made by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly on 24 October 2017.

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**FIRST SCHEDULE**

[Regulation 4(2)]

**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY****(COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
TRANSPORT)****APPLICATION FORM FOR SHIPMENT PERMIT**

I, ....., residing at .....,  
(*name*) (address)

holder of National Identity Card no. .... hereby  
(*NIC no.*)

apply for a shipment permit to ship a motor vehicle to Rodrigues.  
The specifications of the motor vehicle are as follows –

Type of vehicle\* new  second hand  reconditioned

Registration no. ....

Taxation class\* car  dual purpose  goods vehicle

auto cycle  motorcycle  bus

others (please specify) .....

Chassis/frame no.\*\* .....

Engine no. ....

Colour .....

Date of original registration .....

**Notes**

1. Any person who ships a dual purpose goods vehicle (van/lorry\*\*) shall be the holder of a public 'A' carrier licence or a private 'B' carrier licence issued by the National Transport Authority.

2. Any person who ships a bus shall be the holder of a public service vehicle (contract bus) licence or a public service vehicle (road service) licence issued by the National Transport Authority.

3. Any person who ships a car to Rodrigues for use as taxi or for hire as contract car shall be the holder of a valid public service vehicle (taxi car) licence or public service vehicle (contract car) licence issued by the National Transport Authority.

4. The application form shall be accompanied by a photocopy of the Registration Book (Horse Power) or particulars of the motor vehicle where it is a new or second hand imported vehicle, the deed of sale, the relevant public service vehicle licence and the certificate of fitness issued by the National Transport Authority, where applicable.

5. Any person who purchases a motor vehicle in the island of Mauritius and wishes to register it in Rodrigues shall attach to the application form the original of a “*Gage sans déplacement*” Certificate issued by the National Transport Authority in respect of the motor vehicle.

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Signature

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Date

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Telephone no.

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Mobile no.

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Email address

\* *Tick as appropriate*

\*\* *Delete as appropriate*

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**SECOND SCHEDULE**

[Regulation 4(6)(a)]

**AGE LIMIT OF MOTOR VEHICLE**

	<b>Type of motor vehicle</b>	<b>Maximum age (years)</b>
1.	Auto cycle (not exceeding 49 cc)	7
2.	Motorcycle of not less than 50 cc nor more 500 cc	7
3.	Motorcycle (exceeding 500 cc)	7
4.	Private car or van (not exceeding 16 seats)	7
5.	Motor vehicles with 'A' or 'B' Carrier licences, including lorries	7
6.	Bus with road service licence	7
7.	Bus (exceeding 16 seats) with public service vehicle (contract bus) licence	7
8.	Minibus (not exceeding 16 seats) with public service vehicle (contract bus) licence	7
9.	Taxi car or van (double cab or single cab)	7
10.	Any other motor vehicle	7

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**THIRD SCHEDULE**

[Regulation 4(6)(b)(i)]

**SHIPMENT PERMIT FEE**

	<b>(Rs)</b>
All types of motor vehicles	300

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**FOURTH SCHEDULE**

[Regulation 4(6)(b)(ii)]

**RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY****(COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
TRANSPORT)****SHIPMENT PERMIT***(issued under regulation 4(6)(b)(ii) of the Rodrigues Regional  
Assembly (Shipment of Motor Vehicles) Regulations 2017)*

Name .....

Address .....

Payment receipt no. ....

1. You are authorised to ship a motor vehicle with the following  
particulars –Type of vehicle\* new  second hand  reconditioned 

Registration no. ....

Taxation class\* car  dual purpose  goods vehicle auto cycle  motorcycle  bus 

others (please specify) .....

Chassis/frame no.\*\* .....

Engine no. ....

Colour .....

Date of original registration .....

2. This permit is valid until .....

3. This permit is not transferable.

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Signature of Departmental Head,  
Commission for Public Infrastructure and  
Transport Rodrigues Regional Assembly

.....  
Date

\* *Tick as appropriate*

\*\* *Delete as appropriate*

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