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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT
(Cap. 69:01)

ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2003

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IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on the Minister of Works and Transport by section 130 of the Road Traffic Act, the following Regulations are hereby made —

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Amendment) Regulations, 2003.

Amendment of Cap. 69:01 (Sub.leg)

2. The Road Traffic Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the "Regulations") are amended in regulation 2 thereof by inserting, in their correct alphabetical order, the following new definitions —

"conventional driving permit" means a valid international driving licence issued under the authority of a country outside Botswana which is a party to the Convention on Road Traffic done at Vienna on 8th November, 1968;

"driving instructor" means a person certified as an instructor under section 41 of the Act;

"driving licence" means a computerised credit card format driving licence issued under these Regulations and as set out in the Ninth Schedule;

"international driving permit" means a valid document issued under the laws of Botswana authorising the holder to drive a motor vehicle, or a specified class or description of motor vehicle outside Botswana according to the Convention on Road Traffic done at Vienna on 8th November, 1968; and

"national driving licence" means a valid document issued under the law of a country outside Botswana authorising the holder to drive a motor vehicle, or a specified class or description of motor vehicle, in that country.

Amendment of regulation 4 of the Regulations

3. Regulation 4 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation—

"Forms, permits, etc.

4. (1) The number of the form in respect of every application, licence or other document prescribed under the Act or these Regulations shall, except as otherwise provided, be as set out in the Second Schedule.

(2) An international driving permit shall be a booklet in the form set out in the Eleventh Schedule.

(3) All entries made on an international driving permit shall be handwritten in English cursive script or typed in Latin characters.

Amendment of regulation 11of the Regulations

4. Regulation 11 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation —

"Validity of licences, permits and cards"

11. (1) The following licences shall be deemed to be valid driving licences in respect of the class or classes of vehicles for which they are issued, and shall be valid for a period of 90 days after the holder thereof first arrives in Botswana —

(*a*) a conventional driving permit or an international driving permit held by a person resident outside Botswana; and

(*b*) a national driving licence issued in a country outside Botswana:

Provided that —

(i) the licence has been issued in an official language of Botswana,

(ii) a certificate of authenticity and validity relating to the licence in an official language of Botswana by a competent authority, or a translation of that licence in such official language, is attached to it,

(iii) the licence was obtained during a stay of at least 185 consecutive days per calendar year in the issuing country, and

(iv) such licence contains or has attached to it, a photograph and the signature of the licence holder thereof.

(2) Where the holder of a driving licence referred to in sub-regulation (1) takes up residence in Botswana, such licence shall, after 90 days from the date on which such person has taken up residence, no longer be deemed to be valid.

(3) The holder of a foreign Professional Driving Permit (PrDP) or other similar public service vehicle driver's licence shall not be issued a licence to drive a public service vehicle unless he has —

(*a*) undergone and passed the relevant theory and practical driving tests; and

(*b*) obtained, in accordance with the relevant laws, a valid work permit and residence permit.

(4) A public service vehicle driving licence issued in Botswana shall be converted into a Professional Driving Permit without the holder thereof being subjected to a driving test, provided the validity of such licence has not expired.

(5) A driving licence issued before the coming into force of these Regulations shall be deemed to be a valid licence in respect of the class or classes of vehicles for which it was issued.

(6) The holder of a driving licence issued before the coming into force of these Regulations, shall, within two years of the coming into force of these Regulations, convert that licence in accordance with the Thirteenth Schedule.

(7) A driving licence which has been fraudulently obtained shall not be eligible for conversion under these Regulations.

(8) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 30(5) of the Act, the holder of a driving licence shall, every five years, present himself to a licensing officer to —

(*a*) have his eyesight screened by such apparatus as may be prescribed; and

(*b*) have his licence reissued in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

(9) Where the results of the eyesight screening referred to in sub regulation (8) are satisfactory, the licensing officer shall reissue the holder's driving licence.

(10) Where the results of the eyesight screening suggest that the eyesight of the holder of a driving licence may be deficient in any way, the licensing officer shall direct the holder of the licence to submit himself to an eyesight test by an eye doctor registered as such under the Botswana Health Professions Act; and the holder of the driving licence shall submit the results of that eyesight test to the licensing officer.

(11) Where the results of the eyesight test referred to in sub-regulation (10) are satisfactory, the licensing officer shall reissue the holder's driving licence.

(12) A driving licence may, unconditionally, be reissued earlier if —

(*a*) the particulars of the licence holder have changed; or

(*b*) the licence has changed in such a way that it cannot serve its purpose.

(13) The holder of a driving licence who does not comply with the provisions of sub regulations (8) and (10) commits an offence and shall be liable to a fine of P20 a day or part of a day during which he does not so comply.

(14) The validity of a PrDP shall expire after two years, on the last day of the month preceding the month in which it was issued.

(15) A PrDP may be renewed before it expires if the particulars of the permit holder have changed or under any circumstances considered necessary by the licensing officer.

(16) Where a PrDP is not renewed within seven days of its expiry, a P20 penalty shall be levied on the holder for everyday or part of a day during which that PrDP is not renewed.

(17) Where the application for the renewal of a PrDP licence is made after 30 days of its expiry, the PrDP holder shall be subjected to a full test as stipulated in Regulation 13.

(18) The provisions of sub-regulations (16) and (17) do not apply to members of the Botswana defence force, prison officers, police officers, driving test examiners or vehicle examiners in the performance of their duties.".

Amendment of regulation 12 of the Regulations

5. Regulation 12 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation —

"Provisional licence

12. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 30 of the Act in relation to driving a motor vehicle without a valid driving licence, a person who is not the holder of such a licence, but who is the holder of a provisional driving licence, may drive a motor vehicle for training purposes only:

Provided that—

(*a*) the driving is part of a learner driving programme;

(*b*) the person is accompanied by a certified driving instructor referred to in section 41 of the Act, or a person who has held a driving licence for not less than 2 years for the class of motor vehicle being driven by the holder of the provisional driving licence;

(*c*) no passenger, other than the person referred to in sub-regulation (*b*), shall be carried in the vehicle when the vehicle is driven by the holder of a provisional driving licence except during training or examination by a supervisor or training inspector authorised by the Director; and

(*d*) at all times while the holder of a provisional driving licence is driving any vehicle, there shall be exhibited on the front and rear of the vehicle in such a manner as to be plainly visible to any person in front of and behind the vehicle, a distinguishing mark in the form prescribed in the Fifth Schedule; and such distinguishing mark shall not be exhibited unless the vehicle is being driven by a holder of a valid provisional driving licence.

(2) The owner of a driving school and the driving instructor shall be jointly and severally liable for any offence under the Act committed by the holder of a provisional driving licence permit while under training.

(3) The validity of a provisional driving licence shall be 6 months from the date of its issue.

(4) An applicant for a provisional driving licence, driving licence or the endorsement of an existing licence in respect of another class of vehicle shall produce —

(*a*) the prescribed application form;

(*b*) the prescribed fees; and

(c) in the case of a citizen, his national identity card, and in the case of a non-citizen, his passport and valid residence permit to a licensing officer.

(5) A driving licence shall be issued only to a person who, with regard to his physical and mental fitness, is considered fit to drive a motor vehicle for which a driving licence is required,

and if it appears from any form submitted by an applicant, or it appears, from any enquiry made by a licensing officer or a driving test examiner that the applicant is suffering from any form of disability, the licensing officer or driving test examiner, as the case may be, shall direct the applicant to submit himself to a medical examination by a registered medical practitioner; and the medical practitioner shall submit, to the licensing officer, or the driving test examiner, as the case may be, a medical report in the form set out in the Seventh Schedule.

(6) An applicant for a driving licence who is 65 years of age or above shall, every five years, provide a medical certificate as prescribed in the Seventh Schedule, signed by a medical practitioner registered in terms of the Botswana Health Professions Act certifying that the applicant is physically and mentally fit to drive the motor vehicle of the class for which the licence is required.".

Amendment of the Regulations

6. The Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 12 thereof, the following new regulation —

"Classification of drivers

12A. (1) For the purposes of these Regulations, drivers shall be classified as follows —

(*a*) Group I drivers are drivers of vehicles of licence classes F, A1, A, EB and H; and

(*b*) Group II drivers are drivers of vehicles of licence classes C1, C, EC1, EC and PrDP "P" (passengers), "G" (goods) and "H" (hazardous).".

Amendment of regulation 13 of the Regulations

7. Regulation 13 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation —

"Driving test

13. (1) An applicant for a driving licence or permit shall be tested by a driving test examiner.

(2) The driving test examiner shall, by observation and inquiry, perform a practical driving test only if the applicant has produced evidence that he —

(*a*) holds a valid provisional driving licence which authorises him to drive the class of motor vehicle to which the licence relates;

(*b*) has paid the prescribed fee;

(*c*) has passed the theoretical test as prescribed in the Eighth Schedule;

(*d*) meets the requirements for the driving test as prescribed in the Eighth Schedule;

(*e*) is not subject to any disqualification; and

(*f*) complies with the visual acuity in accordance with regulation 15.

(3) If, at the time of testing an applicant, the driving test examiner has reason to believe that the applicant suffers from a disability which is likely to cause the applicant to be a danger to the public, the driving test examiner shall instruct the applicant to submit himself to a medical examination by a medical practitioner registered under the Botswana Health Professions Act.

(4) The applicant shall, following the medical examination referred to in sub regulation (3), submit, to the driving test examiner, a medical examination report in the form set out in the Seventh Schedule.

(5) Where the medical report indicates certain limitations and recommends the use of a vehicle with automatic transmission or other modifications, then the applicant shall be tested accordingly.

(6) A person presenting himself for a driving test shall provide, for that purpose, a motor vehicle in a good roadworthy condition and of the class named in the test application form, which vehicle shall be insured.

(7) Where a person applies for a driving licence which authorises him to drive an articulated motor vehicle, the practical driving test referred to in sub-regulation (2)(*d*) shall be conducted while the trailer is attached to the drawing vehicle.

(8) The test referred to in sub-regulation 2(*c*) shall assess the applicant's knowledge of all subjects for the concerned class of vehicle; and,

(*a*) the test may be oral or written for a Group 1 driver and written only for a Group 2 driver; and

(*b*) the theory test shall be taken before a person applies for a provisional driving licence.

(9) The validity period of theory and practical test results shall not exceed 12 months from the date of declaration of the result.

(10) A driving test examiner shall, in accordance with the provisions of sub-regulation (2)(*d*)–

(*a*) in the case of driving licence class A1 or A, test an applicant in accordance with the set practical driving test procedure for motor cycle drivers;

(*b*) in the case of driving licence class B, test an applicant in accordance with the set practical driving test procedure for drivers of light motor vehicles; and

(*c*) in the case of driving licence class EB, C1, C, EC1, EC, H or F, test an applicant in accordance with the set practical driving test procedure for drivers of such motor vehicles.

(11) No driving test examiner shall test an applicant for a driving licence unless the examiner himself is licensed to drive a vehicle of the class for which the applicant applies to obtain a driving licence or of the class prescribed.

(12) An applicant who fails to satisfy a driving test examiner in any part of the examination may present himself for another attempt, but not before the expiry of two weeks from the date of the last test.

(13) If the applicant, on the day of appointment for a driving test, fails to appear, the fee referred to in sub-regulation (2)(*b*) shall be forfeited, unless he furnishes sufficient explanation to the satisfaction of the licensing officer why it should not be so forfeited.".

8. The Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 13 thereof, the following new regulation— Amendment of the Regulations

"Distinguishing signs

13 A. (1) A distinguishing sign shall be composed of two letters in capital Latin characters as set out in the Twelfth Schedule.

(2) The letters of the distinguishing sign shall have a minimum height of 80 mm and, in their strokes, a width of 13 mm.

(3). The letters of the distinguishing sign shall be black, on a white background of elliptical form, with the major axis horizontal.

(4) The dimensions of the ellipse in respect of motorcycles may be reduced to 120 mm in height and 180 mm in width.

(5) The distinctive letters for distinguishing signs for Botswana shall be as set out in the Vienna Convention.".

9. Regulation 14 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation — Amendment of regulation 14 of the Regulations

"Medical examination

14. (1) A Group 1 applicant for a driving licence shall undergo a medical examination if it becomes apparent, when the necessary formalities are being completed or during the tests which he has to undergo prior to obtaining a driving licence, that he has one or more of the medical disabilities mentioned in the Seventh Schedule.

(2) A Group 2 applicant for a driving licence shall undergo a medical examination before a driving licence is issued to him for the first time and, thereafter, a Group 2 driver shall undergo such periodic examinations as are outlined in the Seventh Schedule.

(3) An applicant for a provisional driving licence or duplicate of a driving licence or the renewal of a PrDP shall undergo an appropriate examination to ensure that he has adequate visual acuity for driving a power-driven vehicle.

(4) Where there is reason to doubt that the applicant's vision is adequate , he shall be examined by a registered medical eye doctor.

(5) At the examination referred to under sub-regulation (4), particular attention shall be paid to the following —

(*a*) visual acuity;

(*b*) field of vision;

(*c*) twilight vision; and

(*d*) progressive eye diseases.

(6) For the purpose of these Regulations, intra-ocular lenses shall not be considered as corrective lenses.

(7) A Group 1 applicant for a driving licence, provisional driving licence, or a PrDP shall have a binocular visual acuity, with corrective lenses if necessary, of at least 0.5 dioptres when using both eyes together.

(8) A driving licence shall not be issued or reissued if, during the eye sight screening, it is shown that the applicant's horizontal field of vision is less than 120°, apart from exceptional cases duly justified by a favourable medical opinion and a positive practical test, or that the person concerned does not suffer from any other eye condition that would compromise safe driving.

(9) Where a progressive eye disease is detected or declared, a driving licence may be issued or reissued subject to the applicant undergoing regular examination by a registered eye doctor.

(10) A licensing officer shall refuse an application for a driving licence or for the renewal of a PrDP, and shall not reissue a driving licence where the applicant who has total functional loss of vision in one eye or who uses only one eye —

(*a*) does not have a visual acuity of at least 0.6 (=6/10) dioptres, with corrective lenses if necessary; and

(*b*) does not have a certificate by a registered eye doctor to the effect that the condition of monocular vision has existed sufficiently long to allow for adaptation, and that the field of vision in the one eye is normal.

(11) A Group 2 applicant for a driving licence shall have a visual acuity, with corrective lenses if necessary, of at least 0.8 (6/7) dioptres in the better eye and at least 0.5 (6/12) dioptres in the worse eye and so shall a person whose driving licence is to be reissued.

(12) If corrective lenses are used to attain the values of 0.5 and 0.8 dioptres the uncorrected acuity in each eye must reach 0.05 dioptres, or else the minimum acuity (0.8 dioptres and 0.5 dioptres) must be achieved either by correction by means of glasses with a power not exceeding plus or minus four (4) dioptres or with the aid of contact lenses (uncorrected vision = 0.05 dioptres).

(13) The face radius of glasses referred to under sub-regulation (12) shall be 70 right/left and 40 vertically.

(14) The colour vision of the glasses shall exceed 0.5 dioptres for a PrDP "P".

(15) A driving licence or PrDP as the case may be shall not be issued or reissued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers who do not have a normal binocular field of vision or who suffer from diplopia.".

Amendment of regulation 15 of the Regulations

10. Regulation 15 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation —

"Register of driving licences and permits

15. (1) The Director shall maintain a register of all driving licences and permits issued in Botswana.

(2) The Director shall enter or cause to be entered in the register the number of the licence, the date of issue, the name and address of the licence holder, date of test, the class of licence for which the licence was issued; and any endorsement of disqualification and suspension.

(3) The register shall be open for inspection by any police officer, and any other person duly authorised by the Minister who shall be entitled to copy any entry found in such register.

(4) Any other person who satisfies the Director that he has a valid reason to inspect the register or obtain information therefrom shall be entitled, on payment of the prescribed fee, to information from the register.

(5) Any person who obtains information under sub-regulations (3) and (4) and uses such information for purposes other than those authorised shall be guilty of an offence.".

Amendment of regulation 16 of the Regulations

11. Regulation 16 of the Regulations is amended by substituting, therefor, the following new regulation—

"Transitional provisions

16. (1) A driving licence issued prior to the coming into force of these Regulations shall remain valid for a period of two years after the coming into force of these Regulations, subject to the conditions under which it was issued:

Provided that this regulation shall be without prejudice to any provision of these Regulations relating to the revocation, suspension or cancellation of licences.

(2) Where a driving licence was issued prior to the coming into force of these Regulations for class F and H, it shall remain valid for not more than 5 years.

(3) A provisional driving permit issued prior to the commencement of these Regulations shall be valid for the remaining period of its validity, subject to the conditions under which it was issued.".

Amendment of the Regulations

12. The Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 16 thereof, the following new regulation —

"Offences and penalties

16A Any person who is guilty of an offence under these Regulations for which no penalty is provided, shall be liable for a first offence, to a fine not exceeding P50 and for a second or subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding P100 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both.".

Amendment of the First Schedule to the Regulations

13. The Regulations are amended by substituting, for the First Schedule thereto, the following new Schedule —

Amendment of the Second Schedule to the Regulations

14. The Regulations are amended by substituting, for the Second Schedule thereto, the following new Schedule —

FIRST SCHEDULE
FEES
(reg. 3)

1. DRIVING LICENCES

		Fees (Pula)
(a)	Provisional driving licence	20.00
(b)	Driving licence card	50.00
(c)	Endorsement with additional class	50.00
(d)	Re-issuing of driving licence card (DLC)	20.00
(e)	Duplicate provisional driving licence	50.00
(f)	Duplicate driving licence card	50.00
(g)	International driving permit	

2. REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

(a)	On original registration (in kg)		
	0	- 750	40.00
	751	- 1500	60.00
	1501	- 2250	70.00
	2251	- 3000	90.00
	3001	- 3750	110.00
	3751	- 4500	140.00
	4501	- 5250	160.00
	5251	- 6000	190.00
	6001	- 6750	220.00
	6751	- 7257	260.00
	7258 +	-	260.00
(b)	Change of ownership		100.00
(c)	Duplicate Motor Vehicle registration book		50.00

3. VEHICLE LICENCES

(a)	Annual licence			
	(i)	Motor cycle not exceeding 125 cc and 230 kg		50.00
	(ii)	Motor cycle exceeding 125 cc or 230 kg		60.00
	(iii)	Motor vehicle other than motorcycle (in kg)		
		0	- 750	60.00
		751	- 1500	80.00
		1501	- 2250	120.00
		2251	- 3001	150.00
		3750	- 3750	250.00
		3751	- 4500	370.00
		4501	- 5250	460.00
		5251	- 6000	720.00
		6001	- 6750	860.00
		6751	- 7500	1010.00
		7501	- 8250	1150.00
		8251	- 9000	1300.00
		9001	- 9750	1440.00
		9751	- 10886	1580.00
		10887 +		1730.00
	(iv)	Trailers (in kg)		
		0	- 750	30.00
		751	- 1500	40.00
		1501	- 1815	70.00
		1816	- 2250	120.00
		2251	- 3000	350.00
		3001	- 3750	520.00
		3751	- 4500	610.00
		4501	- 5250	720.00

		5251 - 6000	860.00
		6001 - 7257	1010.00
		7258 +	1150.00
	(v) All agricultural tractors		100.00
(b)	Duplicate vehicle licence (10% of annual licence fees, calculated to the nearest Pula)		
(c)	Motor dealer's licence (new and used)		2000.00
	(i) Motor dealers licence (used only)		1000.00
(d)	Renewal of motor dealer's licence (new and used)		2000.00
	(i) Renewal of motor dealer's licence (used only)		1000.00
(e)	Transfer of motor dealer's licence (new and used)		2000.00
	(i) Transfer of motor dealer's licence (used only)		1000.00
(f)	Number plate manufacture's registration licence (first year)		1500.00
	(fi) Renewal (for each subsequent year)		500.00
(g)	Motor vehicle registration cancellation certificate		40.00
(h)	Temporary motor vehicle licence (export)		60.00
(i)	Authorisation (temporary motor vehicle licence for inspection)		40.00

4. PROFESSIONAL DRIVING PERMITS (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES)

(a)	Professional Driving Permit "P"	100.00
(b)	Professional Driving Permit "G"	100.00
(c)	Professional Driving Permit "H"	100.00
(d)	Renewals of (a) or (b) or (c)	100.00
(e)	Duplicate of (a) or (b) or (c)	100.00
(f)	Conductor's licence and badge	100.00

5. MISCELLANEOUS

(a)	Driving test	(i)	Theory	30.00
		(ii)	Yard (practical)	30.00
(b)	Certificate of roadworthiness:			
	(i)	Mini-bus (11 up to 15 seats without the driver)		100.00
	(ii)	Midi-bus (15 up to 30 seats without the driver)		100.00
	(iii)	Bus (30 up to 100 seats without the driver)		100.00
	(iv)	Train-bus and Double-deck bus (above 100 seats)		100.00
	(v)	Heavy motor vehicles (3.500 up to 16.000 kg)		200.00
	(vi)	Heavy motor vehicles (exceeding 16.000 kg)		200.00
	(vii)	Tractors (in kg)		
		0 - 5433		40.00
		5434 +		60.00
	(viii)	Light motor vehicle (up to 3.500 kg)		100.00
	(ix)	Motor cycle (not exceeding 125 cc or 230 kg)		20.00
	(x)	Motor cycle (exceeding 125 cc or 230 kg)		20.00
(c)	Driving instructor's certificte (first issue)			200.00
(d)	Duplicate			40.00
(e)	Search fees			40.00
(f)	Driving instructor's Handbook (Books for class B, EB)			300.00
(g)	Teaching CD for Class B, EB (each)			100.00
(h)	Driver question book (Class B, EB)			15.00

6. NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY LEVY 10.00

SECOND SCHEDULE

FORMS
(reg. 4)

Purpose	Form No.:
Application for provisional driving licence/ driving licence/ renewal/ duplicate/ driving instructor permit (first issue/renewal)/ PSV (PrDP) (main application form)	DL 1
Eye-Test Form	DL 8
Provisional driving licence	DL 9
Confirmation application for PrDP	DL 10
Application for registering a driving school	DL 11
Application to be a driving instructor	DL 12
Driving instructor's certificate	DL 13
Booking for theory test	DL 14
Theory test (result confirmation)	DL 15
RSE processing form	DL 17
Booking for practical driving test	DL 18
Yard test scoring form	DL 22
Road test scoring form	DL 23
Statistical abstracts (theory, yard and road test)	DL 24
Driving licence receipt	DL 25
Medical health form	DL 31
Application for registration of a vehicle/vehicle licence/renewal	R.V. 1
Notification of change of ownership of vehicle	R.V. 2
Application for roadworthiness certificate	R.V. 3
Roadworthiness (inspection) certificate	R.V. 4
Application for motor dealer's licence	R.V. 5
Vehicle registration book	R.V. 10
Vehicle licence (disc)	R.V. 11
Motor dealer's licence	R.V. 12
Driving licence (F-tractor and H-special type only)	R.V. 14
PrDP (PSV) permit	R.V. 16

SEVENTH SCHEDULE
HEALTH FORM
(reg. 14)

Health Declaration Form

☐ ***Group 1***: Class F, A1, A, B, EB, H, *(if deemed necessary by Licensing Authority)*
☐ ***Group 2***: Class C1, C, EC1, EC, PrDP (mandatory)

Notice for the certifying Doctor:
The certification should provide sufficient information about the applicant's physical and mental ability to establish his suitability for driving a motor vehicle.
"Screening" in the tested fields indicated in the form would normally be sufficient for this purpose. In cases of doubt, referral to other specialists would be recommended.

1. **Personal data of the applicant:**

Omang ID/Passport No.:	
Surname and First name:	
Date of birth:	
Place of birth:	
Postal Address and Plot No.:	
City/Town/Sub-Village:	
Location or Kgotla:	

2. Patient's history and family history:
☐ No serious family history
☐ No other illnesses or accidents in the last 5 years that might limit the driving ability
☐ If yes, please specify:.....

3. Data:
Height:..... (cm)..... weight:.....(kg)
BP...../..... mmHg Pulse.....bits per minute

4. General health condition:
☐ Good
☐ If not sufficient, please indicate and limitation.....
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5. Physical disabilities:
☐ None that would limit the driving of a vehicle with a manual transmission
☐ If yes, would you recommend a vehicle with ☐ automatic transmission and/or ☐ additional fittings?
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☐ A further consultation of other experts is required?
☐ Expert panel of Doctor including Licensing Authority required?
Is the disability ☐ Permanent or ☐ Temporary (e.g. Pregnancy) and for how long?.....

6.	**Heart/Blood circulation** ☐ No syndromes for heart-/blood disturbances ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

7.	**Blood (e.g. bleeding, emboli, etc)** ☐ No indication about serious blood illness ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

8.	**Kidney Illness:** Urinalysis .....Z.....Sed ☐ No indication about serious insufficiency ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

9.	**Endocrine disturbances** ☐ No indications about blood sugar illness ☐ Blood sugar - if known: with/without Insulin treatment ☐ No indications for other endocrine disturbances ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

10.	**Nerve system (e.g. Epilepsy, mental disease, etc.)** ☐ No indication for disturbances ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

11.	**Psychiatric illnesses/ addictions (alcohol, drugs, medicine)** ☐ No indication about mental or drug addiction ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

12.	**Hearing/Ear Drums:** Whispering talks R.....m L.....m ☐ No indications for a serious disturbance about hearing ☐ If yes, please indicate..... .....

13.	**Following my examination of the candidate as prescribed in Part I, I recommend the following:** ☐ No further investigations, since no indications about physical or intellectual capacities could be found. ☐ Further investigations are necessary before the issuance of the driving licence: ....

Doctor's name / official stamp:	Signature / Date:
.....	.....

(Distribution: **Original** for Licensing Authority and a **Copy** for Doctor)

DRTS, Private Bag: 0054, Gaborone, Tel.: 3905.422 or 3908.314

EIGHTH SCHEDULE
DRIVING TEST
(reg. 13)

Subjects for the theoretical test (all license classes):

1 Personal requirements: fitness to drive;
2 Driver personality, Road Traffic Act - basic rules;
3 Road Traffic Regulations;
4 Traffic routes, the use, risks and importance;
5 Speed, distance, warning signals;
6 Right of way, traffic control by lights, police officers and special situations;
7 Road signs, traffic facilities, level crossings;
8 Different road users and their characteristics;
9 Driving manoeuvres, using motor vehicles in an environmental-sensitive manner;
10 Stationary traffic, securing vehicles, towing;
11 Consequences of infringements of traffic regulations;
12 Basic technical conditions and maintenance;
13 Passenger and goods transport;
14 Driving with trailers "EB, EC1 and EC".

(Questions in multiple or single choice system)

Group 1: written or oral
Group 2: written only

Driving manoeuvres in an area isolated from traffic:

1 3-point turn (Group 1);
2 Alley-docking (forward and reverse) (Group 1 and 2);
3 Parallel parking (reverse) (Group 1 and 2);
4 Diagonal parking (forward) (Group 1 and 2);
5 Incline start (Group 1 and 2).

Driving manoeuvres on the public road (all classes of vehicles):

1 Handling of the vehicle, use of rear-view mirrors, blind spots and seat-belts;
2 Position on the road;
3 Turning;
4 Crossing, overtaking and passing;
5 Right of way;
6 Traffic light signals, signals by authorised persons, traffic signs and road markings;
7 Speed and correct traffic perception;
8 Respect for other road users and observance of safe distance between vehicles;
9 Compliance with corresponding traffic signs;
10 Attitude towards the prevention of accidents.

Group 1:
Applicants for licence classes A1, A, B, EB, F, H (special type)
and;

Group 2:
Applicants for licence classes C1, C, EC1, EC and PrDP-P, G, H.

Licence Class	No. of theory questions	Tolerated mistakes	Duration of Yard test in min.	Duration of Road	Vehicle to supply test in min.	Remarks
A1	45	6	15	30	<125 cc Bike	+ light vehicle
A	45	6	15	30	>250 cc Bike	+ light vehicle
B	30	4	15	30	< 3.5 t	4 seats, 2 outside mirrors + examiner's mirror *1/
EB	45	6	15	30	Light vehicle	+ Trailer >750kg
C1	45	6	15	45	> 12 t Truck	Air- resistant brake system
C	45	6	15	45	> 16 t Truck	Air-resistant brake system
EC1	45	6	20	45	> 12 t Truck	+ Trailer >750 kg
EC	45	6	20	45	> 16 t Truck	+ Trailer >5 t
PrDP (Class D)	45	6	15	30	15 seater	Minibus (Kombi)
"	45	6	15	30	35 seater	Midibus
"	45	6	15	30	65 seater	Bus
"	45	6	20	45	>100 seater	Train + Double deck bus
F	30	4	15	30	Farm Tractor	Not exceeding 30 km/h
H	30	4	15	30	Special Type	Listed in Levels from 1 to 7: (Grader, Crane, Front-end Loader, etc.) *2/
Instructor	45 multiple	4	30	45	For concerned class	DRTS Examination board
Any licence suspension	30	4	15 / 20	30 / 45	For concerned class	

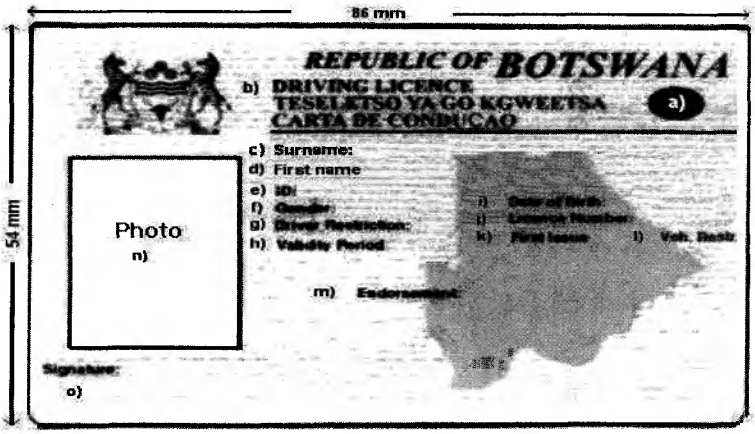
*1/ Illiteracy incl. deaf or physically disabled are limited to class B only. Upgrading is not permitted.

*2/ Theory test may be exempted on presentation of a valid certificate from a recognised body in Botswana (i.e. ATTC, MTTC, CITF, ROADS, DRTS, or any licensed private institution) for a course of not less than 3 months.

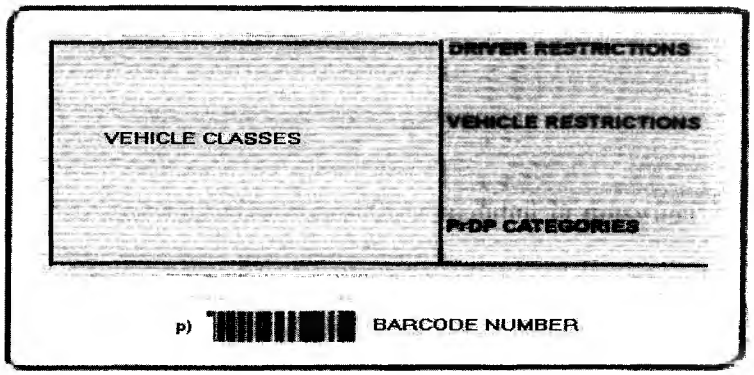
NINTH SCHEDULE

CONTENT OF DRIVING LICENCE CARD

(reg. 2)



Obverse



Reverse

The Driving Licence shall contain the following information -

a) the national abbreviation of Botswana;
b) the words "Driving Licence", printed in three languages (English, Setswana, Portuguese);
c) the surname of the holder;
d) the first or other names of the holder;
e) the identity number of the holder;
f) the gender of the holder;
g) the driver restriction;
h) the validity period of the driving licence card;
i) the date of birth of the holder;
j) the serial number of the licence;
k) the date of first issue;
l) the vehicle restrictions;
m) the licence class endorsed;
n) the photograph of the holder;
o) the signature of the holder, and
p) the barcode containing all information of the licence holder.

ELEVENTH SCHEDULE

INTERNATIONAL DRIVING PERMIT
(*reg. 4*)

Model page No. 1 (outside of front cover – colour grey)

(A6) 105 mm

148 mm

REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

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INTERNATIONAL DRIVING PERMIT

No.:.....

Convention on Road Traffic of 8 November, 1968

Valid until:.....1/

Issued by:.....

At:.....

Date:.....

Number of domestic driving licence:.....

3/ 2/

Instructions for the issuing Licensing Authority

1/ No more than two years after the date of issue or the date of expiry of the domestic driving licence, whichever is earlier.

2/ Signature of the authority or licensing officer issuing the permit

3/ Seal or stamp of the authority or licensing officer issuing the permit.

Model Page No. 2 (Inside of front cover – colour white)

This permit is not valid for the territory of the Republic of Botswana.

It is valid for the territories of all the other contracting parties. The categories of vehicles for the driving of which it is valid are stated at the end of the booklet.

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This permit shall in no way affect the obligation of the holder to conform to the laws and regulations relating to residence and to the exercise of a profession in each State through which he travels. In particular, it shall cease to be valid in a State if its holder establishes his normal residence there.

Instructions for the issuing Licensing Authority

1/ Space reserved for a list of the States which are Contracting Parties (optional).

Model 3 (left-hand page – colour white)

PARTICULARS CONCERNING THE DRIVER	
Surname	1.
Other names 1/	2.
Place of birth 2/	3.
Date of birth 3/	4.
Home address	5.

CATEGORIES OF VEHICLES FOR WHICH THE PERMIT IS VALID	4/
Motor cycles not exceeding 125 cc or 230 kg	A1
Motor cycles exceeding 125 cc or 230 kg	A
Motor vehicles, other than those in category A, having a permissible mass not exceeding 3.500 kg and not more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat.	B
Motor vehicles used for the carriage of goods and whose permissible maximum mass exceeds 3.500 kg but not more than 16.000 kg;	C1
Motor vehicles used for the carriage of goods and whose permissible maximum mass exceeding 16.000 kg.	C
Motor vehicles used for the carriage of passengers and goods (Professional Driving Permit "PrDP")	D
Combination of vehicles of which the drawing vehicle is in a category or categories for which the driver is licensed.	EB
	EC1
	EC
Tractor for agricultural purposes and not exceeding 40 km/h	F
Special Type - Heavy Plant Operating Machinery	H
RESTRICTIVE CONDITITONS OF USE 5/	

Instructions for the issuing Licensing Authority

1/ Father's or husband's name may be inserted here.

2/ If the place of birth is unknown, leave blank.

3/ If date of birth is unknown state approximate age on date of issue of permit.

4/ Seal or stamp of the authority or licensing office issuing the permit. This seal or stamp shall be affixed against categories A, B, C, D and E only if the holder is licensed to drive vehicles in the category in question.

5/ For example, "Must wear corrective lenses", "Valid only for driving vehicle No.:....", "Vehicle must be equipped to be driven by a physical disabled person" or "Automatic transmission only".

Model 3 (right-hand page – colour white)

1. .....
2. .....
3. .....
4. .....
5. .....

A1	●	4/
A	●	4/
B	●	4/
C1	●	4/
C	●	4/
D (PrDP)	●	4/
EB	●	4/
EC1	●	4/
EC	●	4/
F	●	4/
H	●	4/

Photograph

● 4/

Signature of holder 6/ .....

DISQUALIFICATIONS:
The holder is deprived of the right to drive in the territory of

..... 7/ until 8/

At ..... on ..... ● 8/

The holder is deprived of the right to drive in the territory of

..... 7/ until 8/

At ..... on ..... ● 8/

Instructions for Licensing Authority

4/ Seal or stamp of the authority or licensing office issuing the permit. This seal or stamp shall be affixed against categories A, B, C, D and E only if the holder is licensed to drive vehicles in the category in question.

5/ For example, "Must wear corrective lenses", "Valid only for driving vehicle No.:...", "Vehicle must be equipped to be driven by a physical disabled person" or "Automatic transmission only".

6/ Or thumbprint.

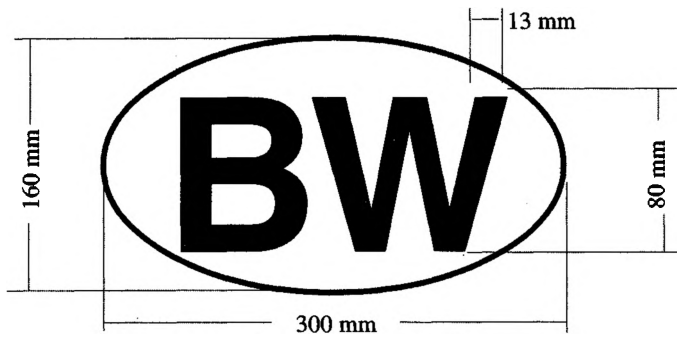
7/ Name of State.

8/ Signature and seal or stamp of the authority or licensing office which has invalidated the permit in its territory. If the space provided for disqualifications on this page has already been used, any further disqualifications should be entered overleaf.

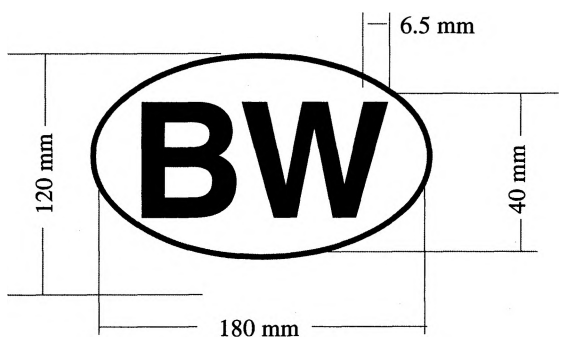
TWELFTH SCHEDULE
(reg. 13A)

Distinguishing sign for vehicles in international traffic

(a) For all motor vehicles



(b) For motorcycles only



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THIRTEENTH SCHEDULE

CONVERSION OF BOTSWANA DRIVING LICENCE "RV14"
(reg. 11)

(1)	Class A	converts into	Class A	unconditionally;

(2)	Class B	converts into	Class B	provided -

(i) a holder of licence "B" who is physically disabled shall be required to provide supporting proof as prescribed in the SEVENTH SCHEDULE (Health form) that he is able to drive a light vehicle with an automatic transmission or adapted devices, certified by a vehicle examiner;

(3)	Class B + E	converts into Class EB provided -

(i) the applicant of such licence is towing permanently or temporarily a trailer exceeding 750 kg and shall be tested in accordance with Regulation 13;

(4)	Class C	converts into Class C1 unconditionally;

(5)	Class C	converts into Class C provided -

(i) the holder of such licence provides supporting proof that he is able to drive a Motor vehicle exceeding 16000 kg;

(6)	Class D	converts into Class C1 provided -

(i) The holder of a "D" coupled with a "B" converts into "B" plus PrDP "P" whereas a combination of "C" and "D" converts into "C1" plus PrDP;

(7)	Class E + C	converts into Class EC1 unconditionally;

(8)	Class E + C	converts into Class EC provided -

(i) the holder of such licence provides supporting proof that he is able to drive a Motor vehicle exceeding 16000 kg and a trailer exceeding 750 kg;

(9)	Class F	remains as Class F provided -

(i) the holder of such licence provides supporting proof that he is able to drive a Farm Tractor,
(ii) the holder of class F shall at the time of conversion retain the form RV 14 for not more than five years after commencement of these regulations, and
(iii) the issuance of class F to applicants after commencement of these regulations shall be on form RV 14;

(10)	Class G	converts into Class B "Automatic"
(11)	Class H	remains as Class H provided -

(i) the holder of class H (Heavy Plant Operators) shall at the time of conversion retain the form RV 14 for not more than five years after commencement of these regulations;

(12)	TAXICAB	converts into PrDP "P" Taxi & Call-Cab unconditionally,
(13)	RESTRICTED	converts into PrDP "P" Mini-bus & Midi-bus unconditionally,
(14)	GENERAL	converts into PrDP "P" Bus provided -

(i) the holder thereof proves to the satisfaction of the Licensing officer that he was driving or be the owner of such vehicle before the time of conversion.

MADE this 4th day of August, 2003.

T. SERETSE.
Minister for Works and Transport.

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