

NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

(ROAD TRANSPORT DIVISION)

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Registration Plates for Electric Auto Cycle and Motor Cycle

The Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2010, as subsequently amended by the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) (Amendment No.2) Regulations 2021 provides the following:

Regulation 57 – A registration mark shall be displayed on a registration plate which shall –

- (a) be made of retro-reflective material which, as regards its construction, colour and other qualities complies with the requirements of:
 - (i) the British Standard for retro-reflective number plates published on 15 January 1998 under number BS AU 145d[13]; or
 - (ii) any other relevant standard or specifications recognized for use in an European Economic Area (EEA) State and which, when in use, offers a performance equivalent to that offered by a plate complying with the British Standard, and which, in either case, is marked with the number or such other information as is necessary to permit identification of that standard or specification;
- (b) On the front of a vehicle, black characters on a white background, and at the rear registration plates shall have black characters on a yellow background.

Regulation 60 – Fixing of a Registration Plate

- (1) **(a) Where a vehicle has been so designed that a space has been provided for the fixing of a registration plate, the plate shall be fixed in the space so provided.**
- (b) Where a space is not provided the plate shall be fixed in the manner specified below:**

A registration plate shall be fixed vertically or, where that is not reasonably practicable, in a position as close to the vertical as is reasonably practical at the front and rear of every motor vehicle in such manner that the characters of the registration mark shall, at all times, be visible from the front or the rear of the motor vehicle.

Regulation 60A – Dimension of Registration Plate

1. The minimum size of the registration plate of an auto cycle or a motorcycle shall, where it has –
 - (a) (i) not more than 5 characters, be of a width and height of 180 millimeters and 80 millimeters, respectively;
 - (ii) not more than 6 characters, be of a width and height of 210 millimeters and 80 millimeters, respectively;
 - (iii) not more than 7 characters, be of a width and height of 250 millimeters and 80 millimeters, respectively;
 - (iv) not more than 8 characters be of a width and height of 290 millimeters and 80 millimeters, respectively,
 - (b) (i) a width and height of 140 millimeters 130 millimeters, respectively;
 - (ii) a width and height of 180 millimeters 130 millimeters, respectively; and
 - (iii) not more than 8 characters, a width and height of 210 millimeters 130 millimeters, respectively,
- where characters are displayed as set out in diagrams 2b, 2d, 2f and 2h of the Ninth Schedule.
2. The registration plate of an electric auto cycle or a motorcycle shall include the letter “E” on the right-hand side of the registration plate on a **light blue background** of width of not less than 40 millimeters with black character, as set out in diagrams 2e, 2f, 2g and 2h of the Ninth Schedule.
2. Registration plates are to be permanently and legibly marked with the following information:
 - The British Standard number (BS AU 145d) which sets out the physical character of the registration plate, including visibility, strength and reflectivity;
 - The name, trademark or other means of identification of the manufacturer or component supplier (the one that made the plate); and
 - There shall be no other markings or material contained on the registration plate.
3. A registration mark shall be conformed to the Eighth Schedules (Regulation 57) and Ninth Schedules (Regulations 58 and 59) of the Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2010.

4. A Certificate of Fitness may not be issued during a vehicle examination at a station if the registration mark does not comply with the above requirements.
5. The public is invited to consult the website of the NLTA or GIS for further clarifications regarding the dimensions of the registration marks
6. The public is further advised that as per the Road Traffic Act, the interpretation of a registration mark is provided under Part 1 (Preliminary), together with proviso under Section 19 (Registration Marks). Associated offences figure under Section 20 (Offences relating to Registration Marks).
7. The NLTA relies on the usual understanding and collaboration of the public.

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