

SAMOA

**ROAD TRANSPORT REFORM (FAMILIARISATION
PROGRAMME) REGULATIONS 2009**

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PURSUANT to section 14 of the Road Transport Reform Act 2008 and the provisions of the Road Traffic Ordinance 1960, **I, TUI ATUA TUPUA TAMASESE EFI**, Head of State, acting on the advice of Cabinet, **MAKE** the following Regulations:

DATED this 23rd day of February 2009.

signed: (Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Efi)
HEAD OF STATE

REGULATIONS

1. Citation and commencement-(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Road Transport Reform (Familiarisation Programme) Regulations 2009.

(2) These Regulations commence on 2 March 2009.

2. Interpretation - In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:

“Act” means the Road Transport Reform Act 2008;

“designated area” means the roads inside the Tuanaimato Sports Complex excluding both Fuesina Road and the ring road (which comprises Malili Road, Talimatau Road, Siusega Road and Falelauniu Road) and shown in the map in Schedule 1.

3. Driving practice-(1) Any person driving in the designated area shall comply with the items set out in Schedule 2.

(2) All the current road rules made under the Road Traffic Ordinance 1960 apply to a driver driving in a designated area under subregulation (1) except:

- (a) regulations 69, 70, 71(2), 72, 73(a), (b) and (c), 74(3) and 82(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulations 1961; and
- (b) clause 16(2) of the Road Traffic Order 1994.

4. Speed limit - The prescribed speed limit in the designated area is 15 miles per hour.

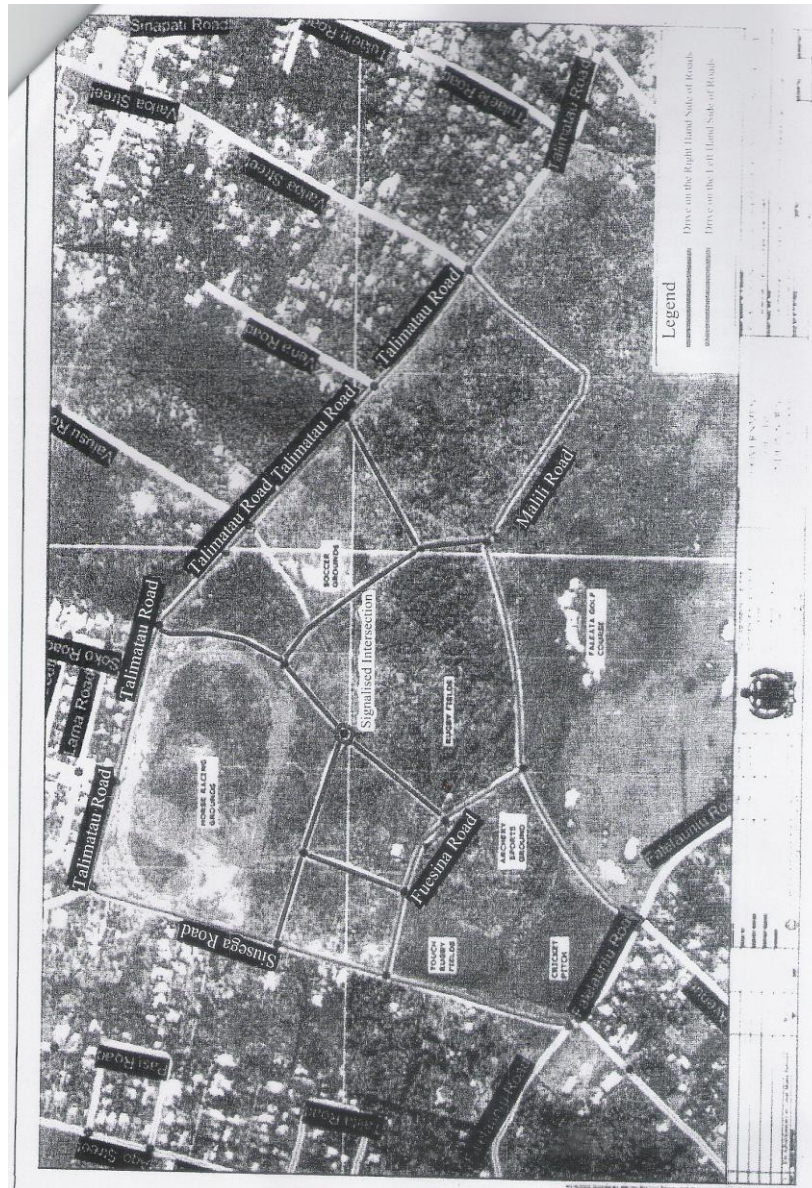
5. Non-liability of Government – The Government shall not be liable by reason of any provision of these regulations for any injury, damage, or loss (including any claim for the diminution of value of any vehicle) which may occur to any person or property.

6. Expiry – These regulations expire on a date nominated by the Minister, or the date of commencement of sections 4 to 7 (inclusive) of the Act, whichever comes first.

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Schedule 1

Map of designated area



Schedule 2**Items**

Item	Heading	Description
1	Keeping to left	Every driver of a motor vehicle or other vehicle, shall keep the vehicle as close as practicable to the left of that part of the road used or reasonably usable for the time being for vehicular traffic in general, and shall reduce speed at corners, bends, or turnings sufficiently to enable him to comply strictly with this rule.
2	Passing on right when overtaking	Save where otherwise directed by a member of the Police Service at controlled intersections, every driver of a motor or other vehicle shall, when overtaking another vehicle, pass on his or her right or near side of the overtaken vehicle, and shall not move into the line of passage of the other vehicle until clear from it by a reasonable distance, in the case of a motor vehicle being not less than 18 feet.
3	Overtaking	Subject to the provisions of item 2 and if the driver has a clear view of the road and the traffic thereon for a distance of at least 300 feet in the direction in which the driver is travelling, every driver of a motor vehicle shall, when overtaking another vehicle, signal by means of his or her warning device the desire to pass

		the vehicle being overtaken, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the driver of the latter to move as far as practicable to his or her left so as to allow the overtaking vehicle a reasonable space in which to pass. After such a signal has been given, the driver of the vehicle being overtaken shall not increase speed until the overtaking vehicle has had an opportunity to pass and draw clear.
4	Turning at intersection	Subject to the provisions of item 5, every driver of a motor vehicle or other vehicle intending to turn at an intersection from any roadway into another roadway to the driver's right shall, when approaching and turning give the appropriate driver's signal to warn other drivers and bicycle riders. The driver shall then maintain his or her position to the left of the roadway out of which he or she is turning until the driver enters the intersection, and shall then turn into the roadway into which he or she is entering as directly and quickly as he or she can with safety.
5	Giving way at intersection	Every driver of a motor vehicle or other vehicle when approaching or crossing any intersection which is not for the time being controlled by a police officer and which any other vehicle is approaching or crossing shall give way to such other vehicle and allow the same to pass before him or her, and, if

		<p>necessary for that purpose, stop his or her vehicle in the following circumstances:</p> <p>(a) if such other vehicle is approaching from his or her right unless he or she is on a road declared to be a main road under Part XV of the Road Traffic Regulations 1961 or unless such other vehicle is about to turn or is turning to its right and the driver is not him or herself about to turn or turning to his right; or</p> <p>(b) if such driver is about to turn or is turning to his or her right (thus being under an obligation to give the appropriate signal); or</p> <p>(c) if such driver is about to turn or is turning to his or her left and the width of the road is not sufficient to allow vehicles approaching on his or her left to pass his vehicle while it is turning.</p>
6	Giving way	Where for any reason any vehicle is proceeding at a slow rate of speed which is causing obstruction to other traffic, the driver of such vehicle shall keep close to his or her left side of the road or stop so as to enable other vehicles to pass.
7	Stopping and parking	No person or driver in charge of a vehicle, not being a bicycle, shall stop, stand, or park such vehicle, whether attended or unattended, otherwise than

		<p>parallel with the direction of the road, and with the left side of the vehicle as near as practicable to the edge of the kerb or road:</p> <p>Provided that a vehicle may be parked with its right side as near as practicable to the edge of the kerb or road while it is being used for fire brigade purposes in attendance at a fire.</p>
8	Left Turn Against Red Light at T-Intersection Only	<p>However at a T-Intersection controlled by traffic lights vehicles turning left are hereafter permitted a "Free Turn" against the red light but only in strict compliance with the following rules:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. left turning vehicles must use the outside lane; 2. left turning vehicles must first stop at the red light and check to see whether the road is clear before executing a left turn. If there is oncoming traffic using their green light the left turning vehicle must give way to such traffic. Execute your left turn only if the road is clear, and it is safe to do so; 3. left turn vehicles must give way to pedestrians at all times.

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