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1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the Road Transport (Recognition of Foreign Driving Permits) Regulations.

2. Recognition of U.S. driving permits for the purposes of the Seychelles Tracking Facility Agreement

- (1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 4, a person to whom this regulation applies and who holds a driving permit issued by the United States or a subdivision thereof may drive, and be employed in driving, in Seychelles a motor vehicle of any class or description which he is authorised by that permit to drive notwithstanding that he is not the holder of a driving licence granted under section 12 of the Act.
- (2) This regulation shall apply to all members of the United States Forces and to United States contractor personnel and their dependants.
- (3) In this regulation—
 - (a) “**contractor personnel**” means employees of a United States contractor who are not ordinarily resident in Seychelles and who are there solely for the purposes of the Agreement;
 - (b) “**dependants**” means the spouse and children under 21 years of age of a person in relation to whom the expression is used; and, if they are dependent upon him for their support, the parents and children over 21 years of age of that person;
 - (c) “**members of the United States Forces**” means—
 - (i) military members of the United States Forces on active duty;
 - (ii) civilian personnel accompanying the U. S. Forces and in their employ who are not ordinarily resident in Seychelles and who are there solely for the purposes of the Agreement;
 - (iii) dependants of the persons described in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above;
 - (d) “**the Agreement**” means the Exchange of Notes of 30 December, 1966, constituting an Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States concerning the United States Tracking and Telemetry Facility in the island of Mahé in Seychelles;
 - (e) “**United States authorities**” means the authority or authorities designated as such by the United States Government for the purposes of this regulation;

- (f) **“United States contractor”** means any person, body or corporation ordinarily resident in the United States of America, that, by virtue of a contract with the United States Government, is in Seychelles for the purposes of the Agreement and includes a sub-contractor who is designated as such by United States authorities in consultation with the Minister and whose operations in Seychelles are confined solely to performing work for the purposes of the Agreement;
- (g) **“United States Forces”** means the land, sea and air armed services of the United States, including the Coast Guard.

3. Recognition of international resident and domestic driving permits

- (1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 4, a person resident outside Seychelles who holds—
 - (a) a convention driving permit, or
 - (b) a domestic driving permit issued in a country outside Seychelles,

during a period of three months from the date of his last entry into Seychelles may drive, and be employed in driving, in Seychelles a motor vehicle of any class or description which he is authorised by that permit to drive, notwithstanding that he is not the holder of a driving licence granted under section 12 of the Act.

- (2) In this regulation—

“convention driving permit” means a driving permit in the form of international driving permits under the convention of 1949 issued under the authority of a country outside Seychelles, whether or not that country is a party to the convention of 1949, or a driving permit in the form of international driving permits under the convention of 1926 issued under the authority of a country outside Seychelles which is a party to the convention of 1926 but not to the convention of 1949;

“domestic driving permit” in relation to a country outside Seychelles means a document issued under the law of that country and authorising the holder to drive motor vehicles, or a specified class or description of motor vehicles in that country;

“the convention of 1926” means the International Convention relative to Motor Traffic concluded at Paris in the year 1926;

“the convention of 1949” means the International Convention on Road Traffic concluded at Geneva in the year 1949.

4. Savings

- (1) Regulations 2 and 3 shall not authorise a person to drive a motor vehicle of any class or description, if, in consequence of the order of a court, his driving permit is suspended or he is declared to be disqualified from obtaining a driving licence.
- (2) The provisions of regulations 2 and 3 which authorise the holder of a permit to drive a vehicle shall not be construed as authorising the driving of a vehicle at a time when the permit has ceased to be valid.
- (3) Regulations 2 and 3 shall be without prejudice to section 12(3) of the Act which imposes age limits on young persons driving motor vehicles.