

Road Safety (Road Rules) Regulations 1999
S.R. No. 120/1999

105. Definitions

(1) In these Regulations –

“event” means –

- (a) a bicycle race; or
- (b) a foot race; or
- (c) a similar activity –

involving more than 30 competitors, but does not include speed trials within the meaning of section 68 of the Act;

“highway collection” means a collection of contributions by people who stand on or who move onto a road to solicit contributions from the occupants of vehicles that are stopped in compliance with traffic signals;

“traffic signal” means any device, however operated, which uses lights or illuminated words or symbols to control, regulate or warn road users.

PART 4 – ACTIVITIES ON ROADS

401. Obstructing roads

(2) A person must not stand on, or move onto a road to –

- (a) solicit contributions, employment or business from an occupant of a vehicle;

403. *Notice to be given and permission obtained for races and other events*

- (1) A person must not hold, or cause or permit to be held, or take part in, an event on a road unless the event is being held with, and in accordance with, the permission of the Chief Commissioner of Police.
- (2) A person intending to conduct an event or series of events must make a written application to hold the event or events to the Chief Commissioner of Police at least 2 months before the date on which the event or series of events is intended to be held.
- (3) An application referred to in sub-regulation (2) must specify –
 - (a) the day or days of the event; and
 - (b) the approximate number of competitors to be involved; and
 - (c) the starting and finishing times of the event in respect of each day; and
 - (d) the route to be followed.
- (4) Following receipt of an application referred to in sub-regulation (2), the Chief Commissioner of Police may –
 - (a) Give written permission to hold the event or events; and
 - (b) In giving such permission require compliance with such conditions as he or she thinks are appropriate; and
 - (c) Vary any arrangements for the conduct of the event or events as he or she thinks fit.

404. *Events at night*

A person must not hold, or cause or permit to be held, or take part in, an event on a road between sunset and sunrise unless permission given by the Chief Commissioner of Police under regulation 403 in respect of that event specifically provides that the event may be held at that time.

405. *Exemptions for races and other events*

- (1) Rules 151, 234, 238 and 256 of the Road Rules do not apply to a competitor taking part in an event for which permission has been given under regulation 403.
- (2) Except as provided by sub-regulation (1), permission to hold an event does not confer any special privilege, power or right on any marshal, official or competitor participating in the event or exempt such a person from complying with the Transport Act 1983, the Act or these Regulations.

406. *Notice to be given and permission obtained for highway collections*

- (1) A person must not hold, or cause or permit to be held, or take part in, a highway collection unless the collection is being held with, and in accordance with, the permission of the Chief Commissioner of Police.
- (2) A person intending to hold a highway collection must make a written application to hold the collection to the Chief Commissioner of Police at least 1 month prior to the date on which the collection is intended to be held.
- (3) An application referred to in sub-regulation (2) must specify –
 - (a) the organisation or purpose that is intended to be benefited by contributions collected by the highway collection; and
 - (b) the date and time when the collection is intended to be held; and
 - (c) the locations where the collection is intended to be held; and
 - (d) the approximate number of people involved in the collection.
- (4) Following receipt of an application made in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the Chief Commissioner of Police may –
 - (a) give written permission to hold the highway collection; and
 - (b) in giving permission, require compliance with such conditions as he or she thinks are appropriate; and
 - (c) vary any arrangements for the conduct of the collection as he or she thinks fit.

407. *No highway collections at night*

A person must not hold, or cause or permit to be held, or take part in, a highway collection between sunset and sunrise.

408. Exemptions for highway collections

- (1) Subject to sub-regulation (2), a person who takes part in a highway collection held with the written permission of the Commissioner of Police does not have to comply with-
 - (a) rules 230 (1) and 234 of the Road Rules; and
 - (b) regulation 401 (2) (in so far as it relates to persons soliciting contributions on a road) –if the person observes the conditions imposed by the written permission.
- (2) A person taking part in a highway collection must obey any reasonable instructions given by a police officer.
- (3) Except as provided by sub-regulation (1), permission to hold a collection does not confer any special privilege, power or right on a person participating in a highway collection or exempt such a person from complying with the **Fundraising Appeals Act 1988**, the Act or these Regulations.