

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 79 OF 2016

The Road Traffic Act, 2002

(Act No. 11 of 2002)

The Road Traffic (Seat-Belt and Child Car Seat) Regulations, 2016

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in section 233 of the Road Traffic Act, 2002, and on the recommendation of the Agency, the following Regulations are made:

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| <p>1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Seat-Belt and Child Car Seat) Regulations, 2016, and shall come into operation on the expiration of thirty days from the date on which they are published in the <i>Gazette</i>.</p> | <p>Title and commencement</p> |
| <p>2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—
 “child” means a child who is three years old or below;
 “child car seat” means a seat used by a child in a vehicle for safety; and
 “seat-belt” means a strap securing a person to a seat for safety in a vehicle.</p> | <p>Interpretation</p> |
| <p>3. (1) A person shall not travel in a motor vehicle without fastening the seat-belt.
 (2) A vehicle which is not fitted with a seat-belt shall be fitted with a seat-belt within a period of six months from the coming into force of these Regulations.</p> | <p>Fitting and fastening of seat-belt</p> |
| <p>4. (1) A person carrying a child in a motor vehicle shall ensure that the child is strapped securely on a child car seat while travelling in the motor vehicle.
 (2) A person carrying a child in a motor vehicle shall not put the child or cause the child to be put in the front passenger seat of the motor vehicle.</p> | <p>Child car seat and safety</p> |

Prohibition
of
importation
of cars not
fitted with
seat-belts

5. A person shall not import a motor vehicle which is not fitted with a seat belt.

Penalty

6. A person who contravenes these Regulations commits an offence and is liable, upon conviction, to a fine not exceeding one thousand penalty units or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or to both.

Revocation
of S.I. No.
67 1975

7. The Roads and Road Traffic (Seat-Belt and Child Car Seat) Regulations, 1975, are revoked.

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