

GAZETTE NOTICE:

Exemption from Specified Seatbelt Requirements of the Traffic Regulations 1976 and the Transport (Vehicle Standards) Regulations 1990

Pursuant to regulation 90(1) of the *Traffic Regulations 1976* and pursuant to regulation 36 of the *Transport (Vehicle Standards) Regulations 1990*, I, Jörg Simon Mager, Senior Engineer Vehicle Policy, hereby exempt any motor vehicle that is required to be fitted with seatbelts from the requirement in regulation 78A of the *Traffic Regulations 1976* of having to have seatbelts of an approved type, and from the requirements on regulation 29(2) and 29(3) of the *Transport (Vehicle Standards) Regulations 1990*, in respect of specified seatbelts in the vehicle, subject to the conditions specified in the schedule of this notice.

The following notice in the *New Zealand Gazette* is hereby revoked: 12 February 1998, No. 26, p.574 (au986) is hereby revoked.

Schedule: Conditions

- (i) This exemption applies only to a vehicle that:
 - (a) complies with a frontal impact standard approved under Land Transport Rule: Frontal Impact, or
 - (b) is fitted with airbags that are the vehicle manufacturer's original equipment specification, or
 - (c) has seatbelts with features, such as pretensioners or load limiters, that are specifically designed to operate in conjunction with other parts of an integrated occupant protection system;
- (ii) The exemption applies only in respect of seatbelts that are vehicle manufacturer's original equipment specification;
- (iii) This exemption is only valid if a declaration, as specified in (iv) below, is issued by a Transport Services Delivery Agent, declaring the exemption to be applicable to a particular vehicle;
- (iv) The declaration must be on the reverse of a copy of this exemption notice and contain the following information:
 - (a) Vehicle make, model, year of manufacture, and VIN or chassis number
 - (b) Part numbers or identification numbers of the seatbelts in each seating position,
 - (c) A statement to the effect that the vehicle qualifies for the exemption and meets the conditions of the exemption,
 - (d) Date of issue, and inspector's name, contact details and signature.

Signed at Wellington this 22nd day of March 2001.

JÖRG SIMON MAGER, Senior Engineer Vehicle Policy, acting under an authority delegated to me by the Director of Land Transport Safety by way of instrument of delegation dated 3 May 1999.