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ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1961

ROAD TRAFFIC (PROTECTIVE HELMETS — EXEMPTION) ORDER 2026

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

Paragraph
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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 142 of the Road Traffic Act 1961, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order is the Road Traffic (Protective Helmets — Exemption) Order 2026 and comes into operation on 19 November 2026.

Exemption

2.—(1) A person who —

(*a*) drives or is carried on a motor cycle; and

(*b*) wears securely on his or her head a type of protective helmet specified in the first column of Part 1 of the Schedule,

is exempt from section 74(1) of the Act starting on the date specified in the second column of Part 1 of the Schedule corresponding to that type of protective helmet.

(2) A driver of a motor cycle who drives the motor cycle where —

(*a*) a person is being carried on the motor cycle (called in this sub-paragraph the pillion) so driven by the driver of the motor cycle; and

(*b*) the pillion is wearing securely on his or her head a type of protective helmet specified in the first column of Part 1 of the Schedule,

is exempt from section 74(1A) of the Act starting on the date specified in the second column of Part 1 of the Schedule corresponding to that type of protective helmet.

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Paragraph 2

PART 1

TYPES OF PROTECTIVE HELMET

First column	*Second column*
Type of protective helmet	*Date on which exemption starts*
Former SS 9:2014 compliant type	19 November 2026
New SS 9:2014 compliant type	19 November 2031
SS 9:2024 compliant type	Date immediately after the date on which the approval period for the SS 9:2024 compliant type ends

PART 2

DEFINITIONS

In this Schedule —

"accredited person" means a person accredited by the Singapore Accreditation Council under the Singapore Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (SAC-SINGLAS) or the Accreditation Mark Scheme for Certification Bodies to certify a type of protective helmet as having passed the relevant tests under the SS 9:2014 or SS 9:2024;

"approval period", in relation to an SS 9:2024 compliant type, means the approval period of 5 years for the SS 9:2024 compliant type starting on the

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date on which it is certified by an accredited person as having passed the relevant tests under the SS 9:2024;

"former SS 9:2014 compliant type" means a type of protective helmet —

(*a*) approved by the Deputy Commissioner of Police for the period between 1 October 2019 and 18 November 2026 (both dates inclusive) for the purposes of section 74(1) and (2) of the Act; and

(*b*) which —

(i) conforms to the requirements of the SS 9:2014; and

(ii) bears the Certification Mark, or Batch Inspected label, by TUV SUD PSB Pte. Ltd. (UEN 199002667R) issued on or before 31 October 2025, unless the certification mark or label is worn out through wear and tear;

"Labelling Requirements for Motorcycle Helmets Certified under the Singapore Standards 9: 2014 and 9: 2024" means the document —

(*a*) titled "Labelling Requirements for Motorcycle Helmets Certified under the Singapore Standards 9: 2014 and 9: 2024";

(*b*) dated 9 September 2025; and

(*c*) published on the website of the Singapore Police Force at https://www.police.gov.sg;

"new SS 9:2014 compliant type" means a type of protective helmet —

(*a*) approved by the Deputy Commissioner of Police for the period between 1 November 2025 and 18 November 2031 (both dates inclusive) for the purposes of section 74(1) and (2) of the Act; and

(*b*) which —

(i) conforms to the requirements of the SS 9:2014;

(ii) is certified by an accredited person on or before 18 November 2026 as having passed the relevant tests under the SS 9:2014; and

(iii) bears a label as specified in the Labelling Requirements for Motorcycle Helmets Certified under the Singapore Standards 9: 2014 and 9: 2024, unless the label is worn out through wear and tear;

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"Singapore Accreditation Council" means the national authority for accreditation of conformity assessment bodies in Singapore;

"SS 9:2014" means the Singapore Standard SS 9:2014 "Specification for protective helmets for motor cyclists" —

(*a*) established by the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board (established by section 3(1) of the Standards, Productivity and Innovation Board Act (Cap. 303A, 2002 Revised Edition)) and continued by section 66(1) of the Enterprise Singapore Board Act 2018; and

(*b*) specified in *Gazette* Notification No. 2523 published on 2 October 2014;

"SS 9:2024" means the Singapore Standard SS 9:2024 "Specification for protective helmets for motorcyclists (Revision of SS 9:2014)" —

(*a*) revised by the Enterprise Singapore Board (established by section 3 of the Enterprise Singapore Board Act 2018); and

(*b*) specified in *Gazette* Notification No. 3086 published on 20 September 2024;

"SS 9:2024 compliant type" means a type of protective helmet —

(*a*) approved by the Deputy Commissioner of Police with effect from and including 1 November 2025 for the purposes of section 74(1) and (2) of the Act;

(*b*) which —

(i) conforms to the requirements of the SS 9:2024;

(ii) is certified by an accredited person as having passed the relevant tests under the SS 9:2024; and

(iii) bears a label as specified in the Labelling Requirements for Motorcycle Helmets Certified under the Singapore Standards 9: 2014 and 9: 2024, unless the label is worn out through wear and tear; and

(*c*) that is approved for 5 years starting on the date on which the type of protective helmet is certified by the accredited person as having passed the relevant tests under the SS 9:2024.

Made on 2 October 2026.

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Singapore.

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