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**PART IV (A) - PROVINCIAL COUNCILS**

**Provincial Council Notification**

**PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE OF THE DEMOCRATIC  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRILANKA**

REGULATIONS made and published under the Road Passenger Carriage Services Statute No.01 of 1992 as amended by the Statute No.03 of 1993 and No. 07 of 1995.

It is hereby notified that the Regulations made by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of the Western Province by virtue of the powers, functions and duties vested in it in terms of Section 06 of the Road Passenger Carriage Services Statute No.01 of the Western Provincial Council are as follows.

J. M. SOMASIRI,

Chairman,

Road Passenger Transport Authority of the  
Western Province.

24th July, 2008.

**Regulations**

01. These regulations shall be known as the Regulations to ensure the safety and comfort of the passengers, and shall come into effect with effect from 01.08.2008.

**PART I**

02. The drivers and conductors who serve in every bus operated on passenger transport service under a permit issued by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of the Western Province or any other authority shall, whilst on duty in the bus be always attired in a uniform stipulated by that Authority.

03. The uniform worn by the drivers and conductors shall be the uniform indicated in the First Schedule below and the official badge stipulated by the Authority shall always be worn with that uniform.

04. It is mandatory that the badge to be worn by the drivers and conductors on their uniform should be prepared as setout in the Schedule 2 hereunder.

05. Everytime the driver or the conductor wears the uniform (shirt) stipulated in these regulations to be worn for the upper part of the body, he should wear a pair of trousers or a sarong extending down to the ankle.

06. The period said to be on duty includes the entire period of time commencing from the time of the first trip of the relevant bus on the particular day, upto the time of the conclusion of trips.

07. In case the uniform and the official badge worn are different from or contrary to those stipulated by the Authority, the person concerned shall be considered as not wearing the uniform and the badge.

08. Where at the time of obtaining trips for a particular bus the driver and the conductor of that bus are not wearing the prescribed uniform and the badge, the timekeeper shall not allocate trips for the bus concerned, and the matter should be brought to the notice of the officer in charge.

09. The responsibility of ascertaining whether drivers and conductors are wearing the uniform and the badge stipulated by the Authority rests with the license of the bus.

10. The licensees of passenger transport services who employ drivers and conductors who do not wear the uniform and the badge stipulated by the Authority, shall be deemed to contravene these regulations.

11. The conductors and drivers shall keep their uniform in a clean condition and also follow the instructions given by the Authority in relation to the uniform and the badge.

12. (i) The drivers and conductors who act in breach of the regulations made in relation to the uniforms and the badge, commit an offence, and are liable to a fine of—

- (1) Rs.250 on the first instance ;
- (2) Rs. 500 on the second instance ;
- (3) Rs. 1,000 on the third instance.

(ii) The driving licence and the conductor's licence of the conductors and drivers who act in contravention of the regulations after the third instance, stand cancelled and such cancellation shall be intimated to the driver and the conductor and the driving licence or the conductor's licence shall be returned to the Authority by the driver or the conductor concerned, within 07 days.

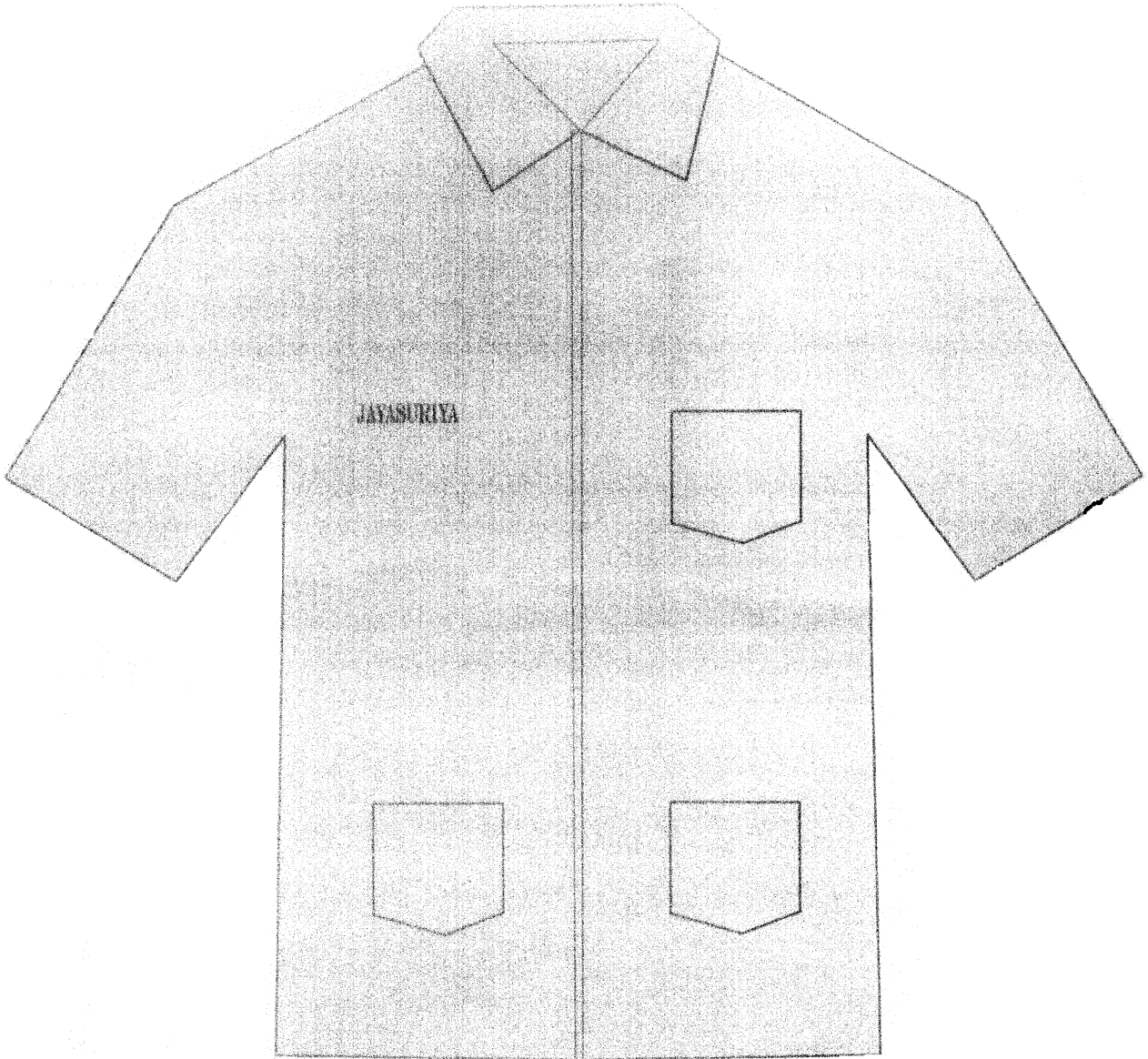
13. (i) The buses in which the drivers or conductors who contravene the regulations relating to uniforms and badges after the third instance serve, shall be blacklisted and such blacklisting on more than two instances will result in suspension or cancellation of the licence of such bus.

(ii) No officer of the Authority shall, without seeking instructions from the Chairman of the Authority, assign trips or issue monthly running charts to any bus blacklisted for contravening the regulations relating to uniforms and badges.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

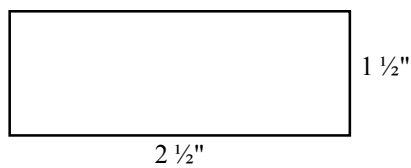
**Uniform.**—Normal short sleeved shirt with a pocket on the top left side and two pockets on either side below. The material for the shirt is “casper”. All uniforms should be in beige colour.

DRIVER / CONDUCTOR'S UNIFORM



THE SECOND SCHEDULE

Official Badge (Right side of the shirt) Name of the employee and whether driver or conductor. Rectangular plastic plate of length 2 ½" and breath 1 ½". Letters should be printed in emboss style in brown colour in yellow background.



## PART II

1. A ticket issued from a ticket dispenser approved and certified by the Authority shall be issued to every passenger who travels in a bus operated under a passenger transport service licence issued by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of the Western Province or any other Authority.

2. The ticket dispenser used for the issue of tickets to the passengers in a particular bus shall be presented at the Authority once in every six (06) months or at any time the Authority shall require.

3. The conductor of a bus shall whenever Inspectors attached to the Flying Squad shall demand, produce promptly the ticket dispenser used for the issue of tickets to passengers.

4. The particulars described below shall have been correctly and clearly printed on all tickets dispensed by a ticket dispenser.

1. Registration No. of the bus :
2. Passenger Ticket No :
3. Date :
4. Time :
5. Starting Point :
6. Destination :
7. Fare :

5. The licensee of a particular bus shall keep in his safe custody, the reports on tickets issued daily, sorted in the order of dates, months and years, ready to be presented at any time on demand by the Authority.,

6. No conductor shall at anytime issue to a passenger a ticket altered, disfigured or illegibly printed or which does not carry the particulars stipulated by the Authority.

7. No conductor shall use a ticket dispenser with defects in issuing tickets or defective printing.

8. Whenever a ticket dispenser is subjected to a sudden breakdown or goes out of order, such fact should be immediately reported to the Point Controller of the nearest Bus Stand, and an endorsement to that effect shall be obtained thereto with the Print Controller's signatures.

9. A ticker book issued by the Authority shall be kept in the bus for the issue of tickets, in case a ticket dispenser suddenly becomes inoperative, and the tickets so issued shall be linked to the way bill.

10. While a ticket dispenser shall not be tampered with in any manner rendering it inoperative or making its printing defective, it is the responsibility of the conductor of the bus concerned to maintain the ticket dispenser in working order.

11. A certificate of conformity shall be obtained from the Road Passenger Transport Authority of the Western Province, for every ticket dispenser used.

12. (i) The offence of issuing tickets from a ticket dispenser not approved and certified by the Authority shall be subject to fine of —

1. Rs. 250 on the first instance ;
2. Rs. 500 on the second instance ;
3. Rs. 1,000 on the third instance.

12. (ii) A conductor issuing an indecipherable or altered or disfigured ticket, and not containing information stipulated by the Authority shall be guilty of an offence, and subject to a fine of —

1. Rs. 250 on the first instance ;
2. Rs. 500 on the second instance ;
3. Rs. 1,000 on the third instance.

12. (iii) Apart from the offences setout in the Sub-sections I and II above, in respect of the ticket dispensers and the issue of ticket by such ticket dispensers, the conductors who act in contravention of other offences in respect of ticket dispensers and the issue of tickets by such ticket dispensers shall be guilty of an offence and are liable to a fine of —

1. Rs. 250 on the first instance ;
2. Rs. 500 on the second instance ;
3. Rs. 1,000 on the third instance.

12. (iv) A licensee who defaults, neglects or fails to submit daily, monthly or annual reports on the tickets issued by the ticket dispensers used in the bus concerned, when required to do so by the Authority, or a licensee who submits incorrect information shall be guilty of contravening regulations and be liable to a fine of —

1. Rs. 250 on the first instance ;
2. Rs. 500 on the second instance ;
3. Rs. 1,000 on the third instance.

13. The conductor's licences of conductors who contravene regulations after the third instance relating to the use of ticket dispensers and the issue of tickets by such dispensers are liable to be cancelled, and within 07 days from the intimation of such cancellation to the conductor concerned by the Authority, the conductor in turn shall submit conductor's licence to the Authority.

13. (i) The buses in which the conductors who contravene the regulations relating to the use of ticket dispensers and the issue of tickets by such ticket dispensers serve, shall be blacklisted and, when blacklisted on more than two occasions, the licences of such buses are liable to be suspended or cancelled.
- (ii) No officer of the Authority shall, without instructions from the Chairman of the Authority, shall assign trips or issue monthly running charts in respect of a bus which has been blacklisted in connection with the use of ticket dispensers or the issue of tickets by such ticket dispensers.

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