



Queensland

Traffic Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2011

Explanatory Notes for SL 2011 No. 34

made under the

Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995

General outline

Short title

Traffic Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2011.

Authorising law

Sections 120 and 171 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The amendments update the testing requirements for digital redlight camera systems and digital speed camera systems.

Achievement of policy objectives

The testing requirements for digital redlight camera systems and digital speed camera systems are being updated to clarify the events or actions that trigger the need for testing.

The amendments also remove the requirement that testing be done by the same person who performed the action that triggered the testing requirement. This change supports proposed operational procedures, including automatic testing by the system and allows for maintenance and testing functions to be undertaken by different persons, as appropriate.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendments are consistent with the policy objectives of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The amendments update the testing requirements for digital redlight camera systems and digital speed camera systems. They will avoid the need for manual testing of the system where the system can undertake the testing automatically. They will also avoid the need for testing to be undertaken by the same person who performs an action that triggers the testing requirements. This reflects preferred operational procedures.

There are no additional costs in implementing the amendments.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendments are consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

The amendments were developed jointly with the Queensland Police Service. Relevant Queensland government departments were consulted and are supportive of the amendments.

Notes on Provisions

Short Title

Clause 1 provides the short title of the regulation.

Regulation amended

Clause 2 provides that the regulation amends the *Traffic Regulation 1962*.

Amendment of s 4 (Definitions)

Clause 3 inserts a definition of “camera system hardware” which is used in sections 210B and 210C.

Amendment of s 210B (Operating and testing digital redlight camera systems)

Clause 4 amends section 210B to clarify the testing requirements for digital redlight camera systems.

Amendment of s 210C (Operating and testing digital speed camera systems)

Clause 5 amends section 210C to clarify the testing requirements for digital speed camera systems.

Clause 5 also inserts a definition of “installation” in section 210C. As a result of the definition, “installation” of a camera system under section 210C(2)(a) will include starting the operation of the system at a particular site. This will apply to a handheld digital speed camera system which is to be operated at a particular site. Starting the operation of a handheld digital speed camera system at the site will require the system to be tested before it is used.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Transport and Main Roads.