POLICE COMMUNIQUE

RESCHEDULING OF ORAL & PRACTICAL DRIVING TESTS POST LOCKDOWN PERIOD

The public is hereby informed that <u>oral and practical driving tests for all types of vehicles</u>, which were scheduled to be conducted, <u>both during and after</u> the COVID-19 confinement period 2021, will be rescheduled, in phases, as from Monday 17 May 2021. In a spirit of fairness, priority will be given to candidates in the same sequence of appointment dates already given previously.

- 2. In the <u>first phase</u>, oral and practical driving tests initially scheduled from 10 March 2021 to 31 March 2021 <u>will be automatically</u> postponed to dates as mentioned in <u>Table A</u> below. With a view to preventing gatherings and in order to maintain social distancing, appointments initially scheduled on a given day will be rescheduled, as far as practicable on two consecutive days.
- 3. The tests of candidates whose surnames begin with letter A to K is rescheduled on the first day and those whose surnames begin with letter L to Z will undergo their tests on the second day.
- 4. For the <u>second phase</u>, a fresh communiqué will be released in the beginning of the month of June 2021. Tests already scheduled <u>as from 01 April 2021 and onwards</u>, will be rescheduled at a later stage depending on the sanitary situation.
- 5. Candidates are to call for their test at the <u>same Driving Test Centre</u>, and <u>at the same time</u> mentioned in their driving test receipts, on the day of their rescheduled appointment.
- 6. Being given that the Traffic Branch will strictly abide by the provisions of the present communiqué, candidates **should not** call at any of the Driving Test Centres to reschedule their tests.

In case of query, they may call, during office hours, on telephone numbers as hereunder:

- (i) Line Barracks Driving Test Centre, Port-Louis Tel No. 203 1422
- (ii) Les Casernes Driving Test Centre, Curepipe Tel No. 673 2824
- (iii) Argy Driving Test Centre, Flacq Tel No. 420 2165
- 7. It is also brought to the attention of candidates that driving test fee receipts for driving tests which had already been scheduled are still valid and they are not required to make any additional payment for their rescheduled tests.

TABLE A

SN	DATE OF INITIAL APPOINTMENT	APPLICANTS SURNAMES BEGINNING WITH LETTER	RESCHEDULED DATE OF APPOINTMENT	SN	DATE OF INITIAL APPOINTMENT	APPLICANTS SURNAMES BEGINNING WITH LETTER	RESCHEDULED DATE OF APPOINTMENT
	WEDNESDAY 10.03.21	A to Z	MONDAY 17.05.2021	10	TUESDAY 23.03.2021	A to K	SATURDAY 05.06.2021
1						L to Z	MONDAY 07.06.2021
2	SATURDAY 13.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 18.05.2021	11	WEDNESDAY 24.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 08.06.2020
		L to Z	WEDNESDAY 19.05.2021			L to Z	WEDNESDAY 09.06.2021
3	MONDAY 15.03.2021	A to K	THURSDAY 20.05.2021	12	THURSDAY 25.03.2021	A to K	THURSDAY 10.06.2021
		L to Z	FRIDAY 21.05.2021			L to Z	FRIDAY 11.06.2021
4	TUESDAY 16.03.2021	A to K	SATURDAY 22.05.2021	13	FRIDAY 26.03.2021	A to K	SATURDAY 12.06.2021
		L to Z	MONDAY 24.05.2021			L to Z	MONDAY 14.06.2021
5	WEDNESDAY 17.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 25.05.2021	14	SATURDAY 27.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 15.06.2021
		L to Z	WEDNESDAY 26.05.2021			L to Z	WEDNESDAY 16.06.2021
6	THURSDAY 18.03.2021	A to K	THURSDAY 27.05.2021	15	MONDAY 29.03.2021	A to K	THURSDAY 17.06.2021
		L to Z	FRIDAY 28.05.2021			L to Z	FRIDAY 18.06.2021
7	FRIDAY 19.03.2021	A to K	SATURDAY 29.05.2021	16	TUESDAY 30.03.2021	A to K	SATURDAY 19.06.2021
		L to Z	MONDAY 31.05.2021			L to Z	MONDAY 21.06.2021
8	SATURDAY 20.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 01.06.2021	17	WEDNESDAY 31.03.2021	A to K	TUESDAY 22.06.2021
		L to Z	WEDNESDAY 02.06.2021			L to Z	WEDNESDAY 23.06.2021
9	MONDAY 22.03.2021	A to K	THURSDAY 03.06.2021				
		L to Z	FRIDAY 04.06.2021				

- 8. Candidates calling for oral test are to bring along their learner's licence, National Identity Card and driving test receipt. Those calling for practical driving test are to bring along the aforesaid documents and arrange for their vehicles which should be in good running condition, covered by an insurance especially for that purpose.
- 9. For their own safety, the safety of other candidates and the staff of the Traffic Branch, candidates will be required:
 - (i) to bring along and wear face masks failing which they will not be allowed to take the test; and
 - (ii) to maintain social distancing of minimum of one meter.

Candidates may be subjected to a temperature test by way of a frontal thermometer prior to taking a test.

- 10. To avoid crowding at Driving Test Centres:
 - (i) only approved driving instructors and candidates who have a rescheduled appointment will be allowed access in the Driving Test Centres;
 - (ii) <u>unauthorized persons will not be allowed access</u> at the Driving Test Centres; and
 - (iii) candidates will have to strictly observe their time of appointment as they will not be given access **earlier or later**.
- 11. No <u>new</u> applications for test, both oral or practical, will be entertained at the Driving Test Centres, for the time being. A fresh communiqué in this respect will be released in due course.
- 12. Information, as regards exact dates of rescheduled driving tests, is also available on the Police Facebook Page and the Police website http://police.govmu.org.
- 13. The understanding and cooperation of driving instructors and candidates will be much appreciated.

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