

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 81 OF 2016

The Road Traffic Act, 2002
(Act No. 11 of 2002)

**The Road Traffic (Removal of Vehicles)
Regulations, 2016**

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IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in sections 190 and 233 of the Road Traffic Act, 2002, and on the recommendation of the Agency, the following Regulations are made:

Title and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Removal of Vehicles) Regulations, 2016, and shall come into operation on the expiration of a period of thirty days from the date on which they are published in the *Gazette*.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“appropriate authority” means the Inspector General of Police, the Director of the Road Development Agency, the Director of the Road Transport and Safety Agency or any local authority;

“authorised officer” means a police officer, road traffic inspector or other person authorised by an appropriate authority;

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“local authority” means a district, municipal or city council established under the Local Government Act;

“place of safety” means a car park, road traffic depot, police station yard, Government workshop yard or any other place considered to be a place of safety by an authorised officer;

“tow truck” means a vehicle with a chassis rated at 1,500 kilograms or greater by the vehicle manufacturer and equipped with a winch capable of lifting a maximum of 8000 kilograms; and

“heavy tow truck” means a vehicle with a chassis rated at 5000 kilograms or greater by the vehicle manufacturer and equipped with a winch capable of lifting a maximum of 30,000 kilograms.

Removal of vehicle

3. (1) An authorised officer may require the owner or driver of a motor vehicle or other person in control or in charge of a motor vehicle to move it or cause it to be moved to a place of safety where the motor vehicle—

(a) has broken down or has been permitted to remain at rest on a road in contravention of the Act; or

(b) has been permitted to remain at rest on a reserve in a position or in such a condition or in such circumstances as to appear to an authorised officer to be likely to cause danger to persons using the road or to cause obstruction to those persons.

