



ROAD TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AGENCY

PUBLIC NOTICE

FLEET SAFETY MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA) would like to inform all public service transport operators, motorists and the general public that it will be holding stakeholder workshops for all commercial operators in line with the introduction of the Fleet Safety Management Policy.

The Workshops will be held at the New Government Complex, Lusaka on Tuesday 20th February 2024 and at Lowenthal Theatre, Ndola on Thursday 22nd February 2024 from 09:00 to 16:00 hours.

The RTSA wishes to notify the transport operators and public that it is now a requirement by law for all commercial operators of Public Service Vehicles (PSV) to have an organisational Fleet Safety Management Policy (FSMP) to qualify for a Road Service License (RSL).

The Fleet Safety Management Policy aims to promote a safety culture, enhance compliance with regulations and reduce accidents and associated risks within the transport sector. The key feature of the programme is to sensitise PSV operators to develop and implement their fleet safety management policies and plans, based on their fleet size and safety practices.

The policy is based on the following pillars;

1. Driver management;
2. Vehicle management;
3. Journey management;
4. Health and safety management; and
5. Organisational management.

The Road Traffic (Amendment) Act No. 8 of 2022 Section 107 (2) provides that, “The Director shall, in deciding whether to grant, refuse to grant or vary a public service vehicle Road Service Licence (RSL), or goods vehicle Road Service Licence under this part, have regard to whether the applicant has developed and implemented a Fleet Safety Management Policy in accordance with the regulations issued under this Act.”

Any operator violating this provision risks being prosecuted in the Courts of law and their RSL application may be rejected.

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