

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 8th August, 2012

G.S.R. 625(E).—Whereas the draft of certain rules to amend the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 which were published as required by sub-section (1) of section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act 1988 (59 of 1988), in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) dated the 2nd February, 2011, in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, number G.S.R. 61 (E), dated the 2nd February, 2011 inviting objections or suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby, before expiry of the period of sixty days from the date on which the copies of the Gazette of India in which the said notification were made available to the public;

And, whereas, copies of the said notification were made available to the public on the 11th February, 2011;

And, whereas, objections or suggestions, received from the public in respect of the said draft rules have been considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 110 of the said Act, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, namely:-

1. (1) These rules may be called the Central Motor Vehicles (3rd Amendment) Rules, 2012.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2 In the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, (hereinafter referred as the said Rules) in rule 93, in sub-rule (6), -

(A) in Explanation I, for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

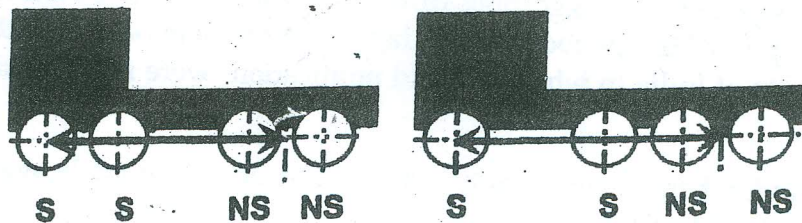
“(c) in case of vehicles having more than three axles, and fitted with or without retractable axle, wheelbase shall be the distance measured between the centre of the front-most axle and the centre point of rear combination of non-steered axles.

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Note :

(i) 'retractable axle' means an axle which can be raised or lowered by the axle-lift device in accordance with first indent;

(ii) 'axle-lift device' means a device permanently fitted to a vehicle for the purpose of reducing or increasing the load on the axle(s), according to the loading conditions of the vehicle, either by raising the wheels clear off the ground or lowering them to the ground or without raising the wheels off the ground (e.g., in the case of air suspension systems, or other systems), in order to reduce the wear on the tyres when the vehicle is not fully laden, or make starting (moving off) on slippery ground easier for motor vehicles or vehicle combinations, by increasing the load on the driving axle.";



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(B) in Explanation II (B),-

(a) for clause (ii), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

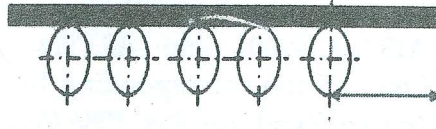
“(ii) in the case of a vehicle having only three axles and the front axle is the only steering axle, the centre point of the rearmost axle, irrespective of rear axle(s) being ‘fixed’ or ‘retractable (lift axle)’.”;

(b) for clause (iv), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(iv) in the case of a vehicle having only three axles where two front axles are steering axles, the centre point of the rearmost axle, irrespective of rear axle(s) being ‘fixed’ or ‘retractable (lift axle)’.”;

(c) for clause (v), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(v) in the case of a vehicle having four or more than four axles; the centre point of the rearmost axle, irrespective of rear axle(s) being ‘fixed’ or ‘retractable (lift axle)’.”.



3. In the said rules, in rule 95, after sub-rule (6), the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“(7) Temporary use spare wheel or tyre and Run Flat Tyre for vehicles of categories M1 and N1, if they are different from the normal tyre used on the vehicle shall conform to AIS 110: 2009, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).”.

4. In the said rules, in rule 124 A, after sub-rule (7), the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:

“(8) On and after the 1st October, 2012, the ballast mass, wherever used in agriculture tractor, shall conform to AIS 105: 2008, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).

(9) On and after the 1st, October, 2012, the protective structures, wherever provided in agriculture tractor, shall conform to IS:11821 (Part 1)- 1992 or IS:11821 (Part 2)-1992, as the case may be.

(10) On and after the 1st October, 2012, the load platform, wherever used in agriculture tractors, shall conform to AIS:106-2009, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).

(11) On and after the 1st October, 2012, the attendant's seat, wherever used in agricultural tractors, shall conform to AIS:111-2009, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).

(12) On and after the 1st October, 2012, for agricultural tractors, the driver's field of vision shall conform to AIS:107-2009, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).”.

5. In the said rules, in rule 125, in sub-rule (2), after the first proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:

“Provided further that on and after the 1st October, 2012, for agricultural tractors, the rear view mirror specifications and installation requirements shall conform to AIS: 001-2001 and AIS:114- 2009 respectively, as amended from time to time, till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).”

6. In the said rules, in rule 125 B, in sub-rule (1), for the word “defogging”, the word “defrosting” shall be substituted.

7. In the said rules, in rule 125 C, after sub-rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be inserted namely:-

“(3) With effect from such date as may be notified, the testing and approval for body building of goods vehicles of category N2 and N3 with respect to cabin, bodies, containers, tankers and details thereof shall be in accordance with AIS:093-2008, as amended from time to time, for vehicles mentioned therein till the corresponding BIS specifications are notified under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986 (63 of 1986).”

8. In the said rules, in rule 138, in sub-rule (4), for clause (a), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(a) In case of vehicles other than motorcycles, a set of spare bulbs for head lamps and fuses, and a ready-for-use spare wheel:

Provided that in case of M1 and N1 categories of vehicles, use of temporary use spare wheel shall be permitted and the provision of ready to use spare wheel shall not be mandatory, if such vehicles are fitted with Run Flat Tyres as standard.”

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Note: The principal rules were notified in the Gazette of India *vide* G.S.R. 590 (E), dated the 2nd June, 1989 and last amended *vide* G.S.R. 515 (E), dated the 29th June 2012.