

Island of  Guernsey

Ordinance of the States. **XVII**
1955

Made 27th July, 1955.
Coming into Operation .. 29th July, 1955.

**The Road Traffic (Inspection of Cycles
and Motor Vehicles) Ordinance, 1955.**

THE STATES, in pursuance of their resolution of the 22nd day of June, 1955, hereby order:—

1. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:—

Interpreta-
tion.

“Board” means the States Board of Administration;

“Committee” means the Island Police Committee;

“cycle” means a bicycle or tricycle but does not include an invalid carriage or any vehicle required to be licensed as an automobile; and

“motor vehicle” means any mechanically propelled vehicle used for circulation on any public highway, the propelling force of which whether wholly or in part is derived from

petrol, steam, oil, electricity or any other mechanical force; and includes any trailer drawn by any such vehicle.

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and testing
of motor
vehicles.

2. (1) Any police officer in uniform, and any person for the time being appointed by the Committee as an examiner of vehicles who shall produce his authority if required, is hereby empowered to inspect and test either on a road or, subject to the consent of the occupier of the premises, on any premises where the vehicle is, any brakes, silencers or steering gear fitted to any cycle or motor vehicle.

(2) The power conferred by subsection (1) of this section to inspect and test a motor vehicle on premises where the vehicle is shall not be exercised unless either the owner of the vehicle consents or notice of the date and time at which it is proposed to carry out the inspection and test has been given to him in accordance with the provisions of the next succeeding subsection.

(3) Any notice given under subsection (2) of this section shall be given to the owner of the vehicle personally or left at his address not less than forty-eight hours before the time of the proposed inspection or shall be sent to him at his address by registered post not less than seventy-two hours before that time.

(4) For the purposes of this section, the owner of the vehicle shall be deemed to be—

(a) in the case of a vehicle which is for the time being registered under the Law entitled "Loi relative aux Automobiles" registered on the eleventh day of December, 1926, as amended by any subsequent enactment, and is not being used under a trade licence, the person appearing as the owner of the vehicle in the register kept by the Board under that Law;

(b) in the case of a vehicle used under a trade licence, the holder of the licence; and

(c) in the case of a vehicle which is used under an international circulation permit, the person to whom the permit was issued;

and in cases (a) and (b) the address of the owner as shown on the register of the Board or on the licence (as the case may be) may be treated as his address.

(5) The provisions of subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall not apply in the case of any inspection and test made in connection with an accident in which the cycle or motor vehicle has been involved.

3. Any person who obstructs a police officer in uniform, or any person for the time being appointed by the Committee as an examiner of vehicles, in the execution of his duties under this Ordinance shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding ten pounds. Penalty.

4. This Ordinance may be cited as the Road Traffic (Inspection of Cycles and Motor Vehicles) Ordinance, 1955. Citation.

5. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 29th day of July, 1955. Commencement.

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