

BELIZE:

**MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (REGULATION OF
TRANSPORT AT BORDER POINTS) (REVISED) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS, 2025**

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REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for transport in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 112 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 230 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 3rd February, 2025).

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Citation.

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and shall be read and construed as one with the Motor Vehicle and Road Traffic (Regulation of Transport at Border Points) (Revised) Regulations, which, are hereinafter referred to as the principal Regulations.

Sub. Leg, 2020
Edn. CAP.
230. p. 15.

2. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 2–

Amendment of
regulation 2.

(a) by deleting the term and definition of “border points” and replacing it with the following–

““border points” means the entry and exit points at Belize’s border with Guatemala at Benque Viejo Del Carmen in the Cayo District and with Mexico at Santa Elena in the Corozal District and any other place designated in accordance with regulation 2A.”;

- (b) by deleting the term and definition of “foreign cargo” and replacing it with the following–

““cargo” means any goods, articles, agricultural goods or merchandise, originating outside Belize for importation into Belize, for commercial purposes;”;

- (c) by deleting the term and definition of “foreign vehicle or foreign cargo vehicle” and replacing it with the following–

“motor vehicle” means a mechanically propelled vehicle, tractor or trailer registered in Belize or a foreign country, which is made or adopted for the carriage or haulage of cargo;”;

- (d) by deleting the words “Town Council” from the term “respective municipal authority” and replacing it with the words “municipal authority; and

- (e) by inserting the following new terms and definitions in its appropriate alphabetical order–

““agricultural goods include cattle and other livestock;

“axle” means an assembly of a motor vehicle consisting of two or more wheels whose centers are in one horizontal plane, by means of which a portion of the weight of a vehicle and its load, if any, is continually transmitted to the roadway;”.

Insertion of
regulation 2A.

3. The principal Regulations is amended by inserting after regulation 2, the following new regulation–

“Designation
of other border
points.

2A. The Minister may, by Order published in the *Gazette*, designate any other place as border point for the purposes of these Regulations.”.

4. The principal Regulations are amended by repealing regulation 3 and replacing it with the following–

Amendment of regulation 3.

“Restriction on the entry of motor vehicles.

3.–(1) Subject to these Regulations, no person shall bring into Belize through any border point or otherwise any motor vehicle containing cargo.

(2) The restrictions mentioned above shall not apply to any motor vehicle coming empty into Belize solely for the purpose of removing under-bond cargo from Belize.

5. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 4–

Amendment of regulation 4.

(a) in the marginal note, by deleting the term “foreign vehicles” and replacing it with the term “motor vehicle”; and

(b) in sub-regulation (1), by deleting the term “foreign cargo vehicles or trailers” and replacing it with the term “motor vehicle”.

6. The principal Regulations are amended by repealing regulation 5 and replacing it with the following–

Amendment of regulation 5.

“Road service charge.

5.–(1) Where a motor vehicle containing cargo, whether destined for Belize or elsewhere, is allowed to enter Belize through any border point under regulation 4, there shall be levied and collected a road service charge of thirty dollars per axle of such motor vehicle.

(2) The service charge shall be payable by the driver of such motor vehicle and shall be collected at the border point by an authorised officer designated by the respective Municipal authority.

(3) All fees and charges received under these Regulations shall be paid into the City or Town Fund of the respective City or Municipal authority and shall be applied to the repairs and maintenance of public roads and streets within the jurisdiction of such City or Municipal authority.

(4) A motor vehicle transporting bulk petroleum products shall be exempt from the payment of the road service charge.

(5) A motor vehicle transporting goods, merchandise or other materials for personal use shall be exempt from the payment of the road service charge.

(6) The Municipal authority, where the border point is located, shall keep a register of vehicles that are assessed for the road service charge.

(7) The register shall be kept in the form approved by the Department of Transport and shall be made available to the Department of Transport.”.

Negative
resolution.

7. These Regulations are subject to negative resolution.

MADE by the Minister responsible for transport this 3rd day of February, 2025.



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