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LESSON 10 & 11



THE LAW AND DRIVING (L.I. 2180) / HIGHWAY CODE

INTRODUCTION

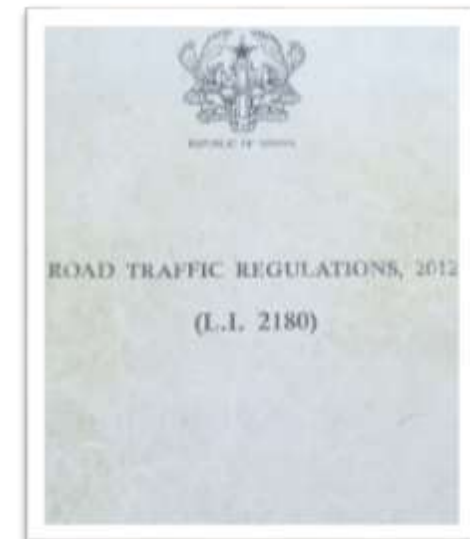
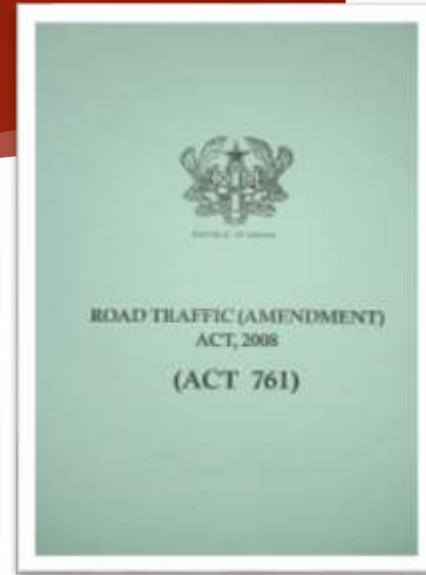
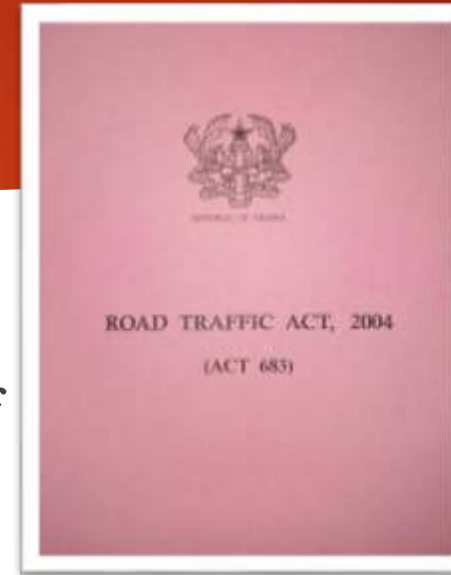
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This lesson is a guide to **Licensing, Roadworthiness, Driving document** and the **Ghana Highway Code**.

OBJECTIVE: To educate drivers on the key aspects of the L.I. 2180, focusing on Licensing, road worthiness and loading regulations.

These are the current Law books used in Ghana:

- ❖ The Road Traffic Act, 2004 (**Act 683**)
- ❖ The Road Traffic Amendment Act, 2008 (**Act 761**)
- ❖ The Road Traffic Regulations, 2012 (**L.I. 2180**)
- ❖ The Road Traffic Amendment Act, 2020 (**ACT 1054**)

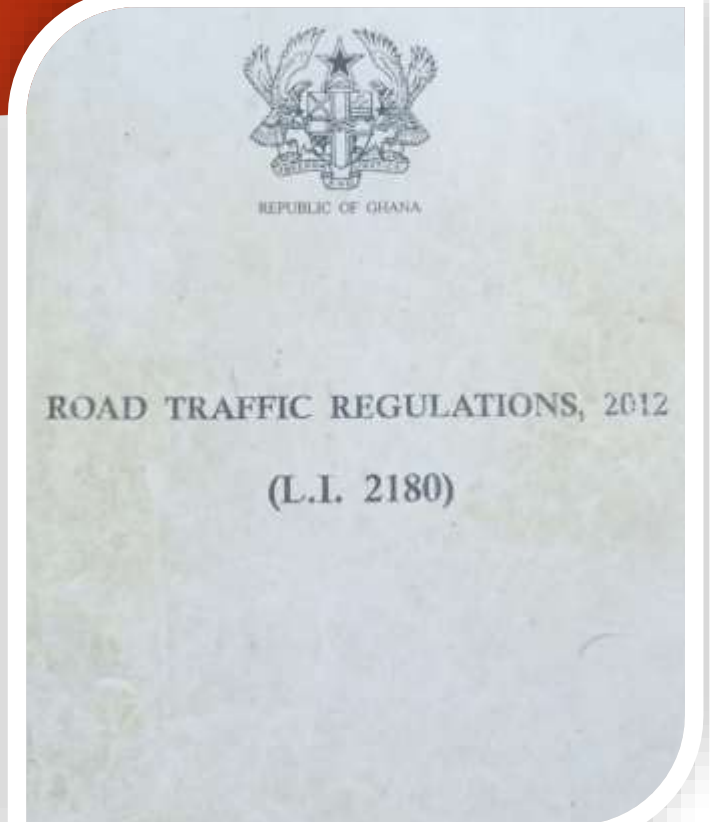


OVERVIEW OF L.I. 2180

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❖ WHAT IS L.I. 2180

- Legislative Instrument (L.I) 2180 is a framework that outlines the requirement for **driving, vehicle licensing, road worthiness and Loading**
- It aims to enhance **road Safety**, regulate **driver conduct**, and ensure that vehicles on the road are **fit to use**.



LICENSING UNDER L.I. 2180

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❖ DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIREMENT:

- All drivers must possess a valid driver's license, corresponding to the class of vehicle they intend to drive.
- The license must be renewed periodically, with driver required to undergo **vision test** and any other test required by DVLA
- New drivers must undergo a comprehensive **driving test**, **road signs test** and **theoretical examination**.

❖ PENALTIES FOR DRIVING WITHOUT A LICENSE:

- Fines(Reg. 42 & Act 761, section 53), possible imprisonment and disqualification for holding a license for a specific period.



VEHICLE LICENSING REQUIREMENT

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❖ VEHICLE REGISTRATION & LICENSING:

- Vehicles must be registered with the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (DVLA)
- Upon registration, vehicles receive a **unique license plate** and a **registration certificate / Card**.



VEHICLE LICENSING REQUIREMENT

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❖ ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWAL

- Vehicles must renew their licenses annually or at every six months depending on its use (Private / Commercial). Failure to renew can result in fines or vehicle impoundment.

❖ IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING LICENSING DOCUMENTS UPDATED:

- Ensures legal operation on public roads and helps in tracking vehicle ownership.

ROADWORTHINESS UNDER L.I. 2180

❖ DEFINITION OF ROADWORTHINESS:

A vehicle is deemed roadworthy if it is fit to be driven safely on the road without posing a risk to the driver, passengers or other road users.

❖ ROADWORTHINESS TEST:

- All vehicles must undergo periodic roadworthiness tests conducted by DVLA or by authorized testing centers.
- The test checks critical systems like brakes, tires, lights and emissions.



ISSUANCE OF ROADWORTHINESS CERTIFICATE:

❖ CONSEQUENCIES OF OPERATING AN UNROADWORTHY VEHICLE:

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LOADING DOCUMENTS UNDER L.I. 2180

DUMP TRUCK LOAD FORM





JOB #		DATE:	
CUSTOMER NAME:		TIME:	
JOB LOCATION:			
DRIVER NAME:			
TRUCK #TGC:			

START TIME	LUNCH IN/OUT	TIME OUT	TOTAL HOURS

DELIVER LOCATION ADDRESS/ DESCRIPTION OF WORK	LOAD COUNT	TOTAL

❖ WHAT ARE LOADING DOCUMENTS?

Documents that certify that goods transported in a vehicle are loaded according to legal regulations

❖ REQUIREMENT FOR LOADING:

- Vehicle must not exceed the weight limit specified by the law for their class.
- Goods must be securely loaded to prevent shifting or falling during transit.

LOADING DOCUMENTS UNDER L.I. 2180

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❖ IMPORTANCE OF PROPER DOCUMENTATION:

- Ensures compliance with safety regulation and avoids penalties
- Necessary for commercial vehicle transporting goods.

❖ CONSEQUENCES OF OVERLOADING:

Fines (**Reg. 52:** Not more than 10 penalty units or not more than 14 days imprisonment), potential damage to the vehicle and increased risk of accidents.

ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

❖ AUTHORITIES RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCEMENT:

The Police (MTTD), DVLA and other relevant road safety agencies.

❖ COMMON OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

- Driving without a license: fines, imprisonment, disqualification (Act 761, Sec:53)
- Unroadworthiness: fines, impoundment (Reg: 7:8, not less than 5pu >25pu, 30d p)
- Overloading: fines, (Reg: 93:1,2 – not less than 25pu and not more than 50pu/3m p)

❖ APPEALS AND REDRESS:

Drivers and vehicle owners can appeal fines or penalties through designated legal channels.

BEST PRACTICES & COMPLIANCE

❖ **BEST PRACTICES FOR DRIVERS:**

- Regular check and maintain vehicle condition
- Always carry valid driving and vehicle documentation
- Adhere to loading regulations and avoid overloading

❖ **STEPS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE:**

- Schedule regular inspections and roadworthiness tests
- Keep track of license renewal dates and required tests
- Educate employees and drivers on legal requirements.

THE HIGHWAY CODE

The Highway Code is designed to serve as **standard of behaviour** and a **source of guidance** to all road users. The Code summarises in a simple manner the **conduct** to be followed by motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

The booklet offers some **common sense rules** and **advice** as to how to travel safely on the road and allow others to do the same; it will teach you **how to drive, ride or walk safely** and so avoid road accidents.

Some topics captured in the Highway Code are:

- ❖ The Road User on foot: Pedestrians
- ❖ The Road User on wheels
- ❖ Motorway Driving
- ❖ Traffic control signals
- ❖ First Aid on the Road
- ❖ Traffic control Signals.



SUMMARY AND CALL TO ACTION

- ❖ Compliance with L.I. 2180 is essential for legal and safe driving
- ❖ Ensure your vehicle and driving documents are always up to date
- ❖ Stay informed about any changes in the regulations.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



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**THANK YOU FOR
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