

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MOTOR TRAFFIC REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No. 10 of 1985

The proposed Motor Traffic Regulations (Amendment) will effect a general revision of Part IV of the Motor Traffic Regulations 1934 (“the Regulations”) which deal with registration labels. The requirement for the proposed amendments stems, in part, from the operation of the reservation of registration numbers scheme with the opportunity being taken to effect a general revision of that part of the regulations.

The proposed alterations to regulation 21 will govern the issue of new labels in the circumstances where a current label contains an incorrect registration number because of the issue (for any reason) of a new set of number plates (proposed sub-regulation (1)) or is incorrect in any other particular (proposed sub-regulation (3)). The proposed sub-regulation (4) will require the previous registration label to be destroyed as soon as practicable after the issue of a new label.

Where the registration of a motor vehicle or trailer is cancelled, regulation 24 requires the registered owner to either forward to the Registrar for destruction the vehicle’s registration label or to produce to the Registrar the vehicle or the holder displaying the label to enable the label to be destroyed. The proposed new regulation 24 requires a registered owner to destroy the registration label within 7 days of the cancellation taking effect unless the Registrar serves notice on that person that the vehicle or the holder displaying the registration label are to be produced to the Registrar to enable the label to be destroyed.