

CHAPTER 179

RAILWAYS

Act No. 8 of 1976.

AN ACT TO REGULATE RAILWAYS AND SIMILAR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

[1st June, 1977.]

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Railways Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
“Authority” means the Central Traffic Authority established under the provisions of the Traffic Act; *(Cap. 176.)*
“railway” means a system of transportation using rails or specially prepared ways but not using motor vehicles to which the Traffic Act applies and includes the track or way upon which the system operates and also the vehicles being used in connection therewith; *(Cap. 176.)*
“vehicle” means any vehicle used for locomotive purposes or for the transportation of passengers or goods on a railway.

Regulations

3. The Authority may make regulations for the purpose of regulating the use of railways and the transportation of passengers and goods thereon and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, shall have power to make regulations—
 - (a) for the granting of licences to railways and railway employees and the charging of fees for such licences;
 - (b) for the regulation of traffic on railways;
 - (c) prescribing safety precautions to be adopted on railways and at places where railways meet or cross roads or other ways used by the public, and in particular the appliances to be used at such places by vehicles to give warning of their approach;
 - (d) for the control of speed and the avoidance of excessive noise on railways.

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