

Regulation 102 of the National Road Traffic Act (93 of 1996)

Regulation 241 of the Road Traffic Act (29 of 1989) is replaced with the following regulation in the National Road Traffic Act (93 of 1996):

"Defective vision disqualifying person from obtaining or holding a learner's or driver's licence

102. (1) A person shall be disqualified from obtaining or holding a learner's or driver's licence unless -

- a. in the case of an application for a learner's or driver's licence relating to the codes A1, A, B or EB, such person has -
 - i. according to the Snellen rating a minimum visual acuity, with or without refractive correction, of 6/12 (20/40) for each eye, or where the visual acuity of one eye is less than 6/12 (20/40) or where one eye of the person concerned is blind, a minimum visual acuity for the other eye of 6/9 (20/30); and
 - ii. a minimum visual field of 70 degrees temporal, with or without refractive correction, in respect of each eye, or where the minimum visual field in respect of one eye is less than 70 degrees temporal, or where one eye is blind, a minimum total horizontal visual field of at least 115 degrees with or without refractive correction; or
- b. in the case of an application for a learner's or driver's licence relating to the codes C1, C, EC1 or EC, such person has -
 - i. according to the Snellen rating a minimum visual acuity, with or without refractive correction, of 6/9 (20/30) for each eye; and
 - ii. a minimum visual field of 70 degrees temporal in respect of each eye, with or without refractive correction.

2. a) **A person who is disqualified in terms of subregulation (1) may at such person's expense approach a registered optometrist or ophthalmologist to test such person's eyes in terms of the standards referred to in subregulation (1), and the result of such test shall, if it duly reflects the visual acuity of such person according to the Snellen rating, and his or her field of vision expressed in degrees, as contemplated in subregulation (1), be accepted by the driver's licence testing centre.**

- b. If the result contemplated in paragraph (a) indicates that the person concerned is disqualified as contemplated in subregulation (1), the driver's licence testing centre shall not issue such person with a learner's or driver's licence with a code to which the application of that person relates."

- 01 A1 Motorcycle without sidecar, with engine not exceeding 125cm³ or propelled by electrical power, or vehicle having pedals and engine or electrical motor.
- 02 A Motorcycle without sidecar, with engine exceeding 125cm³ but not exceeding 250cm³.
- 15 A Motorcycle without sidecar, with engine exceeding 250cm³.
- 03 A Motorcycle with sidecar.
- 04 A Motorcycle or motor quadrucycle.
- 05 B Tractor.
- 06 B Motor vehicle propelled by electrical power.
- 07 B A motor vehicle, being a type of mobile agricultural or industrial equipment or machinery.
- 08 EB Light motor vehicle. Tare/GVM/GCM not exceeding 3 500kg.
- 10 EC1 Heavy motor vehicle, not articulated. Tare/GVM exceeding 3 500kg, but not exceeding 16 000kg.
- 11 EC Extra heavy motor vehicle, not articulated. Tare/BVM exceeding 16 000kg.
- 13 EC Heavy articulated motor vehicle. GCM exceeding 3 500kg, but not exceeding 25 000kg.
- 14 EC Extra heavy articulated motor vehicle. GCM exceeding 25 000kg.
- 12 B Motor vehicle specially adapted for physically disabled person.

See <http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/regulations/1999/roadregs05.html> for the complete chapter of regulations.