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**PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL**

**Government Notifications**

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**THE NATIONAL THOROUGHFARES ACT, NO. 40 OF 2008**

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Roads & Highways under Section 89 of the Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 read with Sections 13 and 14 of the aforesaid Act.

JOHNSTON XAVIER FERNANDO,  
Minister of Roads & Highways.

Battaramulla,  
20th February, 2020.

**REGULATIONS**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Thoroughfares (User Fee) Regulations No. 1 of 2020.
2. These regulations shall apply to -
  - (a) the “Southern User Fee National Highway (Kottawa – Mattala)” declared by Order made under section 11 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2163/25 of February, 20, 2020;



- (b) the “Andarawewa – Hambantota User Fee National Highway” declared by Order made under section 11 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2148/45 of November, 08, 2019;
- (c) the “Outer Circular User Fee National Highway” declared by Order made under section 11 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2148/46 of November, 08, 2019; and
- (d) the “Colombo – Katunayake User Fee National Highway” declared by Order made under section 11 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No.1831/31 of October, 12, 2013.

3. (1) The driver of every vehicle using the User Fee National Highways, shall pay a user fee in respect of the use of such User Fee National Highway by such driver, at such rates as specified in Part A of the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) The user fee shall be charged in respect of the whole distance, or part thereof, of a User Fee National Highway.

(3) Different user fees shall apply for different categories of vehicles.

(4) The user fee shall be paid-

(a) manually, by cash; or

(b) electronically, through a device (hereinafter referred to as “E-tag”) attached to the vehicle.

4. (1) Every driver other than an E-tag user entering a User Fee National Highway from an interchange other than from a designated location prior to being permitted to proceed along User Fee National Highway, shall, obtain a ticket from the teller on duty, at such interchange.

(2) Every driver who has obtained a ticket under regulation 4 (1) shall retain such ticket securely in his possession until he reaches the paying station of the interchange or the designated location through which he intends to exit such User Fee National Highway.

(3) A vehicle, when arriving at a paying station of an interchange or a designated location for the purpose of exiting such User Fee National Highway, the driver of that vehicle shall-

(a) surrender the ticket obtained at the interchange through which he entered the User Fee National Highway, to the Teller; or

(b) where he entered from a designated location, inform the Teller the designated location through which he entered the User Fee National Highway.

(4) The teller shall inform the driver of a vehicle using manual user fee collection lane, the amount of the fee payable and the driver shall pay such amount, prior to being permitted to pass through such interchange or designated location, and the teller shall issue a receipt in respect of such payment.

(5) Where the driver -

(a) is unable to surrender the ticket; or

(b) fails to identify the designated location through which he has entered the User Fee National Highway,

the driver shall pay the fee for the entire distance of the User Fee National Highway from the furthest possible point of entry to the actual point of exit and shall be charged a user fee at the rates specified in part A of the schedule to these regulations.

5. (1) An owner or driver of a vehicle who is desirous of making payments electronically (hereinafter referred to as “E-tag user”) shall register with the Road Development Authority, established under the Road Development Authority Act, No. 73 of 1981, (hereinafter referred to as “the Authority”) and shall be required to open an Electronic Toll Collection System User Fee Account (hereinafter referred to as the “ETCS Account”) at the Customer Service Centre of the Authority.

(2) Every application for registration as an E-tag user, shall be made to the Customer Service Centre of the Authority.

(3) Upon receipt of an application for registration the Authority may, on being satisfied with the information provided in the application including the information relating to the ETCS account, register such person as an E-tag user and issue him an E-tag for the purposes of these regulations.

(4) Every E-tag user shall enter into an Electronic Toll Collection System User Fee customer agreement (hereinafter referred to as the “ETCS customer agreement”) subject to the terms and conditions specified in such agreement.

(5) Every E-tag issued shall be fitted on to the windscreen of the vehicle.

(6) Every E-tag user shall maintain a sufficient credit balance in the ETCS Account at all times when using an electronic user fee collection lane (hereinafter referred to as the “ETC lane”).

(7) In case of insufficient credit, the E-tag user may top-up the ETCS account and the processing time of such top-up shall be not less than one hour before the E-tag user may be able to use ETC lane.

(8) Every E-tag user shall ensure that the E-tag is in proper working order and shall forthwith inform the Authority of any damage or loss to such E-tag.

6. (1) Where an E-tag user with sufficient credit to pay the user fee, enters the User Fee National Highway from an interchange other than from a designated location, such E-tag user shall be permitted to proceed along the ETC lane of such interchange.

(2) Where a vehicle fitted with an E-tag is being used on an ETC lane, the user fee shall be debited against the ETCS Account automatically and the E-tag user may obtain a statement in relation to the usage of such account from the Customer Care Centre of the Authority.

(3) Where an E-tag user, does not have sufficient credit to pay the user fee, such E-tag user shall divert his vehicle from the ETC lane to the manual user fee collection lane.

7. (1) The Authority shall ensure that, for the purpose of implementation of the provisions of these regulations, sufficient number of gates are positioned at the required places along the User Fee National Highways.

(2) The gates so positioned along the User Fee National Highway shall be owned, operated and maintained by the Authority, and each gate shall be manned by a Teller.

(3) The teller shall for the collect the user fee at every gate referred to in paragraph (2), at such rates as specified in Part A of the Schedule from every driver using such User Fee National Highway:

Provided that, the provisions of these regulations shall not apply to a driver who is driving a vehicle of a category specified in Part B of the Schedule to these regulations, which is exempt from such payment.

8. The Teller shall at such times as are specified, hand over the day's collection of the fees to the officer authorized in that behalf by the Authority and obtain a receipt in respect of such amount.

9. The money so collected as user fee shall be credited to the Fund of the Authority and be used for the purpose of developing and maintaining the User Fee National Highways to which these regulations apply.

10. The driver of a vehicle who contravenes the provisions of these regulations commits an offence and shall on conviction after summary trial by a Magistrate be liable in the case of-

(a) a first offence, to a fine not exceeding five thousand rupees; and

(b) a second or subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding fifty thousand rupees.

11. For the purpose of these regulations-

“Designated location” means an authorized access point, where a driver of a vehicle is permitted to enter the User Fee National Highway without obtaining a ticket and includes New Kelaniya Interchange, Peliyagoda interchange, Katunayake interchange and Katunayake (25.80Km).

“E-tag” means an electronic device that is permanently installed on the windscreen of the vehicle for the purpose of payment of user fee electronically when passing through an electronic user fee lane;

“Teller” means an officer who is manning the gates at an interchange or a designated location;

“User Fee National Highways” means the Southern User Fee National Highway from Kottawa (0.000 km) to Mattala (200.451 km), Andarawewa – Hambantota User Fee National Highway from Andarawewa (0.000 km) to Hambantota (16.558 km), Outer Circular User Fee National Highway from Kottawa (0.000 km) to Kerawalapitiya (28.867 km) and Colombo – Katunayake User Fee National Highway from Colombo (0.000km) to Katunayake (25.800 km).

12. The National Thoroughfares (User Fee) regulations published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2148/47 of November, 08, 2019 and *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2148/48 of November, 08, 2019 are hereby rescinded without prejudice to anything done thereunder.

**SCHEDULE**  
**Part A**  
**(Regulation 3)**

**USER FEE RATES (Rs.) FOR CATEGORY 1 VEHICLES (; Vehicles with Two Axles and Four Wheels)**

Distance	8.7 km	7.3 km	6.7 km	16.5 km	9.35 km	4.8 km	5.1 km	6 km	8 km	21 km	11 km	22 km	12 km	16 km	12.4 km	7.9 km	9.9 km	11 km	15.5 km	12.2 km	9.1 km	7.1 km	10.3 km	10.5 km	20.7 km
Katunayake (Exit - B4)																									
Ja - Ela (Exit - B3)	150																								
Kerawalapitiya (Exit - B2)	100	50																							
Peliyagoda (Exit - B1)	300	200	50																						
Kadawatha	200	150	100	150																					
Kaduwa / Kotakwala	250	200	150	200	100																				
Athurugiriya	300	250	200	250	150	100																			
Kottawa	300	250	200	250	150	100																			
Kahadudawa	300	250	200	250	200	150	100																		
Gelenigama	350	300	250	300	200	150	150	100																	
Dodangoda	400	350	300	350	300	250	200	150	150																
Welipenna	450	400	350	400	300	250	200	200	200	100															
Kurundugahahetepna	500	450	400	450	400	350	300	250	250	150	150														
Baddegama	550	500	450	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	200	100													
Pinnaduwa	600	550	500	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	250	150	150												
Imaduwa	650	600	550	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	300	250	200	100											
Kokmaduwa	700	650	600	650	550	500	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100										
Godagama	700	650	600	650	600	550	500	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100									
Aparekka	750	700	650	700	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	100									
Belaita	800	750	700	750	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	150								
Kasagala	850	800	750	800	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	200							
Angmukolapelessa	850	800	750	800	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	200	150						
Barawakumbuka	900	850	800	850	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	200	150	100					
Sooriyawewa	950	900	850	900	800	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	150					
Mattala Gate	950	900	850	900	850	800	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100	150				
Hambantota Gate	1000	950	900	950	900	850	800	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300	250	200	150	100				

## USER FEE RATES (Rs.) FOR CATEGORY 2 VEHICLES ( Vehicles with Two Axles and Six Wheels)

Distance	8.7 km	7.3 km	6.7 km	16.5 km	9.35 km	4.8 km	5.1 km	6 km	8 km	21 km	11 km	22 km	12 km	16 km	12.4 km	7.9 km	9.9 km	11 km	15.5 km	12.2 km	9.1 km	7.1 km	10.3 km	10.5 km	20.7 km	
	(Exit - B4)	(Exit - B3)	(Exit - B2)	(Exit - B1)	Kadawatha (Exit - C4)	Koduwela (Exit - C3) / Koduwela (Exit - C2)	Athurugiriya (Exit - C1)	Kottawa (Exit - A1)	Kahathuduwa (Exit - A2)	Galenigama (Exit - A3)	Dodangoda (Exit - A4)	Velipenna (Exit - A5)	Kurunthugahalepenna (Exit - A6)	Baddegama (Exit - A7)	Pinnaduwa (Exit - A8)	Imaduwa (Exit - A9)	Kokkaduwa (Exit - A10)	Godagama (Exit - A11)	Aparekka (Exit - A12)	Beliatla (Exit - A13)	Kasagala (Exit - A14)	Angunukolapelessa (Exit - A15)	Barawakumbuka (Exit - A16)	Sooriyawewa (Exit - A17)	Mattala Gate (Exit - A18)	Hambantota Gate (Exit - A19)
Ja - Ela	300																									
Kerawalapitiya	250	100																								
Peliyagoda	450	350	100																							
Kadawatha	400	250	150	250																						
Kaduwela / Kotalawala	450	300	200	300	150																					
Athurugiriya	500	350	250	350	150	100																				
Kottawa	550	400	300	400	200	150	150																			
Kahathuduwa	550	400	300	400	250	200	150	150																		
Celenigama	600	450	350	450	300	250	200	200	150																	
Dodangoda	750	600	500	600	400	350	350	300	250	200																
Velipenna	800	650	550	650	500	450	400	350	300	250	150															
Kurunthugahalepenna	950	800	700	800	600	550	550	500	450	400	300	250														
Baddegama	1050	900	800	900	700	650	650	600	550	500	350	300	200													
Pinnaduwa	1150	1000	900	1000	800	750	750	700	650	600	450	400	250	200												
Imaduwa	1200	1050	950	1050	900	850	800	800	750	700	550	500	350	300	150											
Kokkaduwa	1250	1100	1000	1100	950	900	850	850	800	750	600	550	400	350	200	150										
Godagama	1350	1200	1100	1200	1000	950	950	900	850	800	700	600	450	400	300	200	150									
Aparekka	1400	1250	1150	1250	1100	1050	1000	950	900	850	750	700	550	450	350	300	250	150								
Beliatla	1500	1350	1250	1350	1200	1150	1100	1050	1050	1000	850	800	650	550	450	400	350	250	200							
Kasagala	1600	1450	1350	1450	1250	1200	1200	1150	1100	1050	950	850	700	650	550	450	400	350	250	150						
Angunukolapelessa	1650	1500	1400	1500	1350	1250	1250	1200	1150	1100	1000	900	750	700	600	500	450	400	350	250	150					
Barawakumbuka	1700	1550	1450	1550	1400	1300	1300	1250	1200	1150	1050	950	800	750	650	550	500	450	400	300	200	150				
Sooriyawewa	1750	1600	1500	1600	1450	1400	1350	1300	1300	1250	1100	1000	900	800	700	650	600	500	450	350	250	200	150			
Mattala Gate	1800	1650	1550	1650	1500	1450	1400	1400	1350	1300	1150	1100	950	850	800	700	650	600	500	400	350	300	250	150		
Hambantota Gate	1900	1750	1650	1750	1600	1550	1500	1450	1450	1400	1250	1150	1050	950	850	800	750	650	600	500	400	350	300	250	250	

USER FEE RATES (Rs.) FOR CATEGORY 3 VEHICLES (; Vehicles with More than Two Axles)

Distance	8.7 km	7.3 km	6.7 km	16.5 km	9.35 km	4.8 km	5.1 km	6 km	8 km	21 km	11 km	22 km	12 km	16 km	12.4 km	7.9 km	9.9 km	11 km	15.5 km	12.2 km	9.1 km	7.1 km	10.3 km	10.5 km	20.7 km	Exit
Ja - Ela	Kalmayake (Exit - B4)	(Exit - B3)	Kerawalapitiya (Exit - B2)	Peliyagoda (Exit - B1)	Kadawatha (Exit - C4)	Kotalawala (Exit - C3) /	Athurugiriya (Exit - C1)	Kottawa (Exit - A1)	Kabalinaduwa (Exit - A2)	Celenigama (Exit - A3)	Dodangoda (Exit - A4)	Welipenna (Exit - A5)	Kurundegahalepenna (Exit - A6)	Baddegama (Exit - A7)	Pinnaduwa (Exit - A8)	Imaduwa (Exit - A9)	Kokkaduwa (Exit - A10)	Godagama (Exit - A11)	Aparekka (Exit - A12)	Beliatla (Exit - A13)	Kasagala (Exit - A14)	Angunakolapelessa (Exit - A15)	Barawakumbuka (Exit - A16)	Sooriyawewa (Exit - A17)	Mattala Gate (Exit - A18)	Hambantota Gate (Exit - A19)
	300																									
	300	150																								
	600	400	150																							
	500	350	200	350																						
	600	450	300	450	200																					
	650	500	350	500	250	150																				
	700	550	400	550	300	200	150																			
	750	600	450	600	350	300	250	150																		
	850	700	550	700	450	350	300	250	200																	
	1100	950	800	950	650	600	550	450	400	300																
	1250	1100	950	1100	800	750	650	600	500	450	250															
	1500	1350	1200	1350	1050	1000	950	850	800	700	450	300														
	1650	1500	1350	1500	1200	1150	1100	1000	950	850	600	450	250													
	1800	1650	1500	1650	1400	1300	1250	1200	1150	1050	750	650	350	250												
	1950	1800	1650	1800	1550	1450	1400	1350	1250	1200	900	800	500	350	200											
	2050	1900	1750	1900	1650	1550	1500	1400	1350	1250	1000	850	600	450	250	200										
	2150	2000	1850	2000	1750	1650	1600	1550	1450	1400	1150	1000	750	600	400	250	200									
	2250	2100	1950	2100	1900	1800	1750	1650	1600	1500	1250	1150	900	750	550	450	350	250								
2450	2300	2150	2300	2050	1950	1900	1850	1800	1700	1450	1300	1050	950	750	600	500	400	250								
2600	2450	2300	2450	2200	2100	2050	2000	1900	1850	1600	1450	1200	1050	900	750	650	550	400	200							
2700	2550	2400	2550	2300	2200	2150	2100	2050	1950	1700	1550	1300	1150	1000	850	750	650	550	350	200						
2800	2650	2500	2650	2400	2300	2250	2200	2100	2000	1800	1650	1400	1250	1100	950	850	750	600	450	300	200					
2900	2750	2600	2750	2500	2400	2350	2300	2250	2150	1900	1750	1500	1350	1200	1050	950	850	750	550	400	300	200				
3000	2850	2700	2850	2650	2550	2500	2400	2350	2250	2000	1900	1650	1500	1300	1150	1100	950	850	650	550	400	350	200			
Hambantota Gate	3150	3000	2850	3000	2800	2700	2600	2550	2500	2400	2150	2050	1800	1650	1450	1300	1250	1100	1000	800	650	550	500	350	350	

(Regulation 7)

Part B

VEHICLES EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF USER FEE ON  
THE USER FEE NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

1. All vehicles which form part of the Presidential Convoy at any given time for so long as such vehicle is driven along the User Fee National Highway.
2. All vehicles which form part of the Prime Ministerial Convoy at any given time for so long as such vehicle is driven along the User Fee National Highway.