BRT Regulations

LAGOS METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORT AUTHORITY LAW, 2007

THE BUS RAPID TRANSIT 'LITE' REGULATION, 2007

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 21 of the Lagos Metropolitan Area Transport Authority Law, 2007 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, I, Dr. Dayo Mobereola, the Managing Director of the Authority make the following Regulation:

1. Application

- (1) This regulation applies to BRT Lite Corridors on Ikorodu Road from Mile 12 Terminus to CMS Terminus and cuts across Mile 12, Ketu, Ojota, Maryland, Idiroko, Anthony, Obanikoro, Palmgrove, Onipanu, Fadeyi, Moshalasi, Barracks, Stadium, Leventis, CMS and TBS and such other Corridors may be designated by the Authority hereafter.
- (2) The BRT Lite Corridor shall be divided into four sections, namely, the BRT Lane, the main carriage Lanes, the service Lanes and the walkways/sidewalks.

2. Restriction of use of BRT Lite Corridor

- (1) Save for franchised operators for whose purpose and services the BRT lanes have been constructed, ambulances and fire service vehicles on emergency services, driving or propelling, whether mechanically or otherwise, of vehicles along the BRT lane of the BRT lite corridor is hereby prohibited.
- (2) Driving or propelling, whether mechanically or otherwise, of vehicles other than by franchised operators on the BRT lite corridor is hereby restricted to the service lanes on the BRT lite Corridor.
- (3) Driving or propelling, whether mechanically or otherwise, of carts on the BRT lite corridor is hereby prohibited.
- (4) Driving or propelling, whether mechanically or otherwise, of articulated vehicles, heavy-duty vehicles, Lorries, trailers and tankers on the BRT lite corridor is hereby restricted to the hours between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.
- (5) Loading and un-loading of goods shall be restricted to the service lanes of the BRT lite corridors strictly between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.
- (6) BRT buses shall pick and drop passengers at the BRT designated bus shelters as seen in schedule 1.
- (7) The stopping of vehicles on the BRT lite corridors is hereby prohibited otherwise than at the designated bus stops on the service lanes to pick and drop passengers.

3. Cutting of Roads on BRT Corridor

The cutting, digging, drilling, excavating or any other form of damage to the roads along the BRT lite Corridor for the purpose of laying cables or pipes or for any other purpose whatsoever is hereby prohibited. Provide that where servicing of existing cables or pipes on the BRT "Lite"

corridor becomes necessary, it shall only be done with the permission of the authority and in line with the terms and conditions as may be stipulated by the Authority.

4. Prohibition of trading and hawking on the walkway/sidewalks

Trading or hawking of wares along the BRT corridor is hereby prohibited. The walkway/sidewalks should at all times be free of all encumbrances. It should for all intents and purposes be a walkway/sidewalk.

5. Prohibition of closing of roads to traffic

Except as may be authorized by the authority acting in accordance with this regulations, the closing of the BRT Lite Corridors to traffic by any person or body is hereby prohibited.

6. Prohibition of use of handcarts and porters' carts

The use of handcarts and porters' carts is hereby prohibited on all roads covered by the BRT Lite Corridor.

7. Queuing at bus stops and vehicles parks

Where five or more persons are waiting to board any stage carriage, vehicle or omnibus on the BRT Corridor, such persons shall form a queue in the order of their arrival and shall board the stage carriage, vehicles or omnibus, in that order.

8. Speed limit on the BRT Lite Corridor

The speed of all permitted vehicles along the BRT Lite Corridor shall not exceed 50(fifty) kilometers per hour.

9. Penalty

- (1) Any person who fails to comply with any of the provisions of this regulation commits an offence and is liable on conviction to imprisonment for one month or a fine of N25,000.00(twenty-five thousand naira) or both. Provided that in the case of regulation 7, such a person shall be liable on first conviction to imprisonment for fourteen (14) days or a fine of N5000.00 (five thousand naira) or both and on second or subsequent conviction to imprisonment for one month or a fine of N10,000.00(ten thousand naira) or both and in the case of regulation 3 such a person shall be liable to three(3) months' imprisonment or a fine of N100,000.00(one hundred thousand naira).
- (2) The vehicle or any material or article in breach of any of the provisions of this Regulation is liable to be impounded and may only be released after the discharge of the penalty.
- (3) Nothing in this Regulation shall be construed as affecting the liability of any person to pay charges under any other enactment or for any other form of liability under any other enactment.

10. Towing and evacuation of broken down vehicles

Where any mechanically propelled machine develops a fault on the BRT Corridor, which renders it immovable, the driver shall contact the towing service provider retained for the BRT Corridor to evacuate and the driver shall bear the cost.

11. Enforcement

The men and officers of Lagos State Transport Management Authority (LASTMA), shall enforce enforce all the provisions of this regulation save for regulation 4 and 7 which will be enforced by officers of Kick Against Indiscipline (KAI)

12. Interpretation

In this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- "Authority" means the Lagos Metropolitan Area Transport Authority.
- "BRT" means Bus Rapid Transit.
- "BRT Lite Corridor" means the road corridor from Mile 12 to CMS.
- "Franchised operators" are those authorized by LAMATA to run the BRT buses.
- "Handcarts and porters cart" means wheelbarrows, omolanke etc.
- "Service lane" means the lane restricted for vehicles.
- "Main Carriageway" means the lanes to the side of the expressway in both directions.
- "Vehicles" means buses, (danfos), molues, motorcycles (okada), tricycles and stage carriages.

13. CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT

This Regulation may be cited as the Bus Rapid Transit Lite (BRT) Regulation 2007 and shall come into force on theday of......2007.

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By the Lagos Metropolitan Area Transport Authority

With the approval of His Excellency, Babatunde Raji Fashola, SAN,

Governor of Lagos State.