



30 September 2013

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Dear Mr Fowler

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 2 September 2013 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

- *Can you inform me as to how many exemptions have been granted to individuals whose eyesight does not meet the requirements of the law.*

An amendment to Clause 38(2)(a)(i) of the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999 made in October 2011 has potentially seen a reduction in the number of exemptions issued, as in some instances an exemption would no longer be required. The Rule can be found online at:

www.legislation.govt.nz/regulation/public/1999/0100/latest/DLM280562.html?src=qs

Section 166(3) of the Land Transport Act 1998 requires the number and nature of exemptions granted to be notified in the Gazette at intervals not longer than 3 months. Therefore, I am declining your request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information requested is publicly available.

The information requested is available on the Department of Internal Affairs website at the following link:

www.dia.govt.nz/Services-New-Zealand-Gazette-Index

Please follow the below steps to obtain this information:

- Under the heading "Gazette Notices", click Gazette Notices link
- Under the search field, click the link "Notices By Act Of Parliament"
- Select the letter "L"
- Select "Land Transport Act" and the applicable year

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to apply to an Ombudsman for an investigation and review of the decision to decline your request. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen
PO Box 10152
Wellington

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Tia Choi, Customer Response Team, by email to info@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on 0800 822 422.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sue Hardiman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

Sue Hardiman
Manager, Customer Access
For Chief Executive