CHAPTER 9 TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS

55. Dangerous goods certificate

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the National Road Traffic Act or any SANS Code, the operator of a roadworthy vehicle designed for the transportation of dangerous goods may not operate such a vehicle, unless he has obtained a dangerous goods certificate from the controlling authority.

(2) An operator of a vehicle mentioned in subsection (1), must submit an application to the controlling authority as prescribed in Schedule 2 (D) of this By-law.

(3) The controlling authority may request additional information from the applicant.

- (4) The controlling authority must refuse to issue the dangerous goods certificate if a vehicle does not comply with (whichever is applicable to the vehicle) the requirements of SANS 10087: Part 4, SANS 10089: Part 1, SANS 10230, SANS 1398, SANS 1518, and where the controlling authority is of the opinion that the non-compliance of a vehicle can be remedied, he must instruct an operator of a vehicle in writing to take all reasonable steps to remedy the defaults prior to the use of the vehicle in accordance with subsection (1), as well as the dangerous goods certificate.
- (5) A dangerous goods certificate must be renewed annually, on or before the date as indicated on the dangerous goods certificate or whenever major maintenance or repairs have been performed on the vehicle.
- (6) If, at any time, the controlling authority becomes aware that the usage of a vehicle is not in accordance with the dangerous goods certificate, he must act in terms of section 5(2) or 6(1) and section 7 of this By-law.
- (7) A consignor may not supply a flammable substance to an operator of a vehicle mentioned in subsection (1), unless the operator is in possession of a valid dangerous goods certificate issued by the controlling authority.
- (8) A consignee may not receive a flammable substance from an operator of a vehicle mentioned in subsection (1), unless the operator meets the requirement in subsection (7).

(9) A dangerous goods certificate is valid only:

- (a) for the vehicle for which it was issued;
- (b) for the state of the vehicle at the time of issue; and
- (c) for the quantities stated on the certificate.

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- (10) The dangerous goods certificate must be available in the vehicle mentioned in subsection (1) for inspection at all times.
- (11) The controlling authority must keep records of all vehicles in respect of which a dangerous goods certificate has been issued, amended and renewed.

The definition of dangerous goods:

"any substance that is capable of posing a significant risk to health and safety or to property and the environment".

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