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# Revisions to the Demerit Points System

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**MEDIA RELEASE**

The Ministry of Works and Transport is pleased to announce amendments to the Demerit Points System, as outlined in the Ninth Schedule of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2017.

Since the implementation of the System in May 2020, the Ministry has monitored its operation and assessed its impact on driver behaviours and compliance with road safety laws. Based on feedback from stakeholders and the general public, a comprehensive review was conducted to address concerns regarding the demerit points and fixed penalties assigned to various traffic violations.

As a result, the Ministry will implement the following amendments, **effective November 18, 2024**:

Description of Traffic Violation	Previous Measures		Revised Measures	
	Fixed Penalty (TT\$)	Demerit Points	Fixed Penalty (TT\$)	Demerit Points
Traffic Signs	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Breach of Traffic Order made by the Minister	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Failing to comply with a traffic sign or notice authorised by the Licensing Authority or Commissioner of Police, respectively	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Contravention of Traffic Order made by the Commission of Police	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Breach of parking restriction made by the Minister	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Standing for hire at a place not appointed for the purpose	1,000.00	3	500.00	2
Defaced or defective identification plate	450.00	3	450.00	2
Vehicle without silencers or fitted with cut outs	300.00	3	300.00	2
Failure to observe restrictions on the use of a disability parking permit in a disability parking zone or displaying a cancelled or expired disability parking permit or destroying, mutilating, defacing or altering a disability parking permit or failing to adhere to any condition for the use of a disability parking permit as registered in the register	NA	NA	2,000.00	3
Failure to display a disability parking permit in or on a vehicle in such place and in such manner as directed by the Licensing Authority	NA	NA	750.00	NA
Failure to return an invalid disability parking permit to the Licensing Authority in specified circumstances	NA	NA	500.00	NA

These changes aim to ensure a balanced and effective system that encourages compliance, improves road safety, and addresses the concerns of all road users.

Members of the public are reminded that fixed penalties payable for other categories of infractions remain unchanged under the Fixed Penalty Traffic Ticketing System.

The Ministry of Works and Transport looks forward to the continued cooperation of the general public as we continue to monitor and implement measures to create safer roads for all citizens.

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