



**Ministerie van Toerisme, Economische Zaken, Verkeer en Telecommunicatie**  
Ministry of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport and Telecommunication

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**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT - INSPECTION OF RIGHT HAND DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES**

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In order to ensure uniformity, transparency and reasonableness in the application of the law the Ministry of Tourism, Economic Affairs, Transport and Telecommunication (TEATT), hereby informs the general public of the following as it pertains to the inspection of **Right Hand Drive** motor vehicles.

1. The National Ordinance Regulating the Inspection of Motor Vehicles AB 2013 GT no.131 assigns responsibility to the Minister TEATT for inspection of motor vehicles that operate on the public road or roads open to the public.
2. The Minister has delegated the task of inspecting motor vehicles to the motor vehicle inspection center per article 3 of the same ordinance.
3. Article 62 sub (a) of the Road Traffic Ordinance AB 2013 GT no.133 requires motor vehicles to have a proper steering wheel on the left side of the vehicle viewed from the position of the driver. The ordinance was amendment to add this prohibition in September 2005. In other words, right hand drive motor vehicles became prohibited to drive on public roads or roads open to the public as of October 6<sup>th</sup> 2005 (the date the amendment went into effect).
4. Effective immediately there will be no **new** inspections of Right Hand Drive motor vehicles at the motor vehicle inspection center in accordance with article 62 sub(a) Road Traffic Ordinance AB 2013 GT no.133. New is defined as a Right Hand Drive motor vehicle that has **not** been previously inspected and issued a motor vehicle inspection card **after** December 31, 2015.
5. Right hand drive motor vehicles owners with proof of inspection dated December 31, 2015 or earlier **will** continue to be inspected according to Chapter IV of Road Traffic Ordinance AB 2013 GT no.133.
6. Buyers and sellers of Right Hand Drive motor vehicles that comply with point 5 will need to complete the **Bill of Sale** form on government's website at [www.sintmaartengov.org](http://www.sintmaartengov.org).
7. The Inspectorate of TEATT located at Tamarindesteeg #16 (Yellow Building) will be responsible for supervision of motor vehicle inspection procedures and adherence to this ordinance.

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