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Three-quarter tank rule to apply to Singapore-registered diesel-powered vehicles from 1 April 2019

Under the Customs Act, Singapore-registered vehicles are required to have a minimum amount of motor fuel (at least three-quarters of the tank) when leaving Singapore via the land checkpoints. This is commonly referred to as the “three-quarter tank rule”. Currently, the rule is only applied to Singapore-registered vehicles running on petrol and compressed natural gas (CNG).

With effect from 1 April 2019, the three-quarter tank rule will be expanded to cover Singapore-registered diesel-powered vehicles. This is in line with the introduction of a usage-based diesel duty announced in Budget 2017 to reduce diesel consumption and resultant air pollution.

Drivers who do not meet the rule may be issued with a composition sum of up to \$500, or be prosecuted in court. Drivers may also be required to perform a U-turn at the land checkpoints if they are caught committing the offence.

To avoid any inconvenience to their overseas trip, Singapore Customs would like to remind drivers to ensure that their fuel tank is at least three-quarters full when exiting the land checkpoints. The public can refer to Singapore Customs’ website: <https://bit.ly/threequartertank> for more information on the three-quarter tank rule.

Singapore Customs has apprised logistics and transport associations of this impending change. We have also placed posters at the various land checkpoints to remind drivers of Singapore-registered diesel-powered vehicles that the three-quarter tank rule will apply to them come 1 April 2019.

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