In exercise of the powers conferred by section 73 of the Road Traffic Ordinance, 1958, the Minister of Transport hereby makes the following rules:

1. Citation and commencement.
   (1) These rules may be cited as the Motor-cycles (Safety Helmets) Rules 1973, and shall come into force on 1st day of March, 1973.
   (2) The Minister may, by notification in the Gazette, appoint different dates for the coming into force of rule 4 in different areas and in respect of different roads.

2. Definition

   In these rules the following expressions shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:
   "motor-cycle" means a motor vehicle with less than four wheels, and the unladen weight of which does not exceed eight hundredweights;
   "safety helmets" means a helmet prescribed under rule 3;
   "sell" and "offer for sale" include respectively letting on hire and offering to let on hire;
   "visor" means an eye protector fitted to a safety helmet and consisting of a transparent screen which extends over the eye and the face of the wearer.

3. Prescribed safety helmet.
   (1) The type of helmet which conforms to the requirements of the specification of the Standard Institution of Malaysia MS.6.1:1969 published 1st August, 1969 is hereby prescribed as a safety helmet for affording protection to a person on a motor-cycle from injury in the event of an accident.
(2) The safety helmet prescribed under paragraph (a) may be fixed with a clear colourless visor of any kind provided that any part, extension or attachment thereof shall not conceal or obscure any portion of the face between the eyebrow and the chin.

(3) (Deleted).

   Every person, other than a person exempted under rule 5, who drives or rides on a motor-cycle on a road shall wear a safety helmet on his head fitted and securely fastened in the manner required by the nature and construction of the safety helmet.

5. Exempted persons.
   (1) (Deleted).
   (2) Without prejudice to the foregoing the Minister may grant exemptions in writing from the provisions of rule 4, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, in respect of any person or class of persons if the Minister is satisfied that it is proper and just so to do.

6. Prohibition of sale of a headgear which is not a safety helmet.
   No person shall sell, offer for sale or supply a headgear as a safety helmet for the purpose of rule 4 if the headgear is not a safety helmet as prescribed under rule 3:

   Provided that a person shall not be convicted of an offence under this rule if he proves that the sale, offer for sale or supply, as the case may be, is for export.

Made this 26th day of February, 1973.

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