

Section 214, Excerpt from the *Motor Vehicle Act*

Signs

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(1) Subject to this section, a person must not erect or maintain, or cause to be erected or maintained, a sign, advertisement or guide post on or over

(a) an arterial highway or a highway in rural area, except with the approval of the minister responsible for the administration of the *Transportation Act*,

(b) a highway, other than an arterial highway in a municipality, except in accordance with the bylaws of the municipality,

(c) a highway within treaty lands, except in accordance with the laws of the treaty first nation, or

(d) a highway within Nisga'a Lands, except in accordance with

(i) the laws of the applicable Nisga'a Village if the highway is within a Nisga'a village, or

(ii) the laws of the Nisga'a Nation if the highway is outside a Nisga'a village.

(2) The minister responsible for the administration of the *Transportation Act* may cause a sign, advertisement or guide post erected or found on or over a highway, whether erected with or without the minister's approval, to be altered, repainted, torn down or removed from the highway without compensation to any person for loss or damage resulting from the alteration, removal or destruction.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (2), a person must not tear down, remove, displace, deface or in any way interfere with a traffic control device or guide post erected on a highway by or with the approval of the ministry of the minister responsible for the administration of the *Transportation Act*.

(4) A person must not erect or replace signs or sign boards, and must not paste or paint signs, notices or advertising devices, within a distance of 300 m from the boundary line of a highway in the rural area of British Columbia.

(5) A person, who is the owner, occupier or lessee of land, must not permit or allow the erection or maintenance of a sign, sign board or advertising device on the land owned, occupied or leased by the person if the sign, sign board or advertising device is erected or maintained within a distance of 300 m from the boundary line of a highway in the rural area of British Columbia, except with the approval of the minister responsible for the administration of the *Transportation Act* or a person authorized by the minister in writing.