

*Tourism Incentives (Drive-A-Matic) Order***SAINT LUCIA**

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT, 2020, No. 212

[ 22nd December, 2020 ]

In exercise of the power conferred under sections 3, 5 and 13 of the Tourism Incentives Act, Cap. 15.30, the Minister responsible for tourism, with the approval of Cabinet, makes this Order:

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Tourism Incentives (Drive-A-Matic) Order, 2020.

**Approved tourism project**

2. The procurement of vehicles for the provision of car rental services by Drive-A-Matic is declared an approved tourism project.

**Approved tourism product**

3. The provision of car rental services by Drive-A-Matic is declared an approved tourism product.

**Declared benefits with regard to customs duty and excise tax**

4.—(1) Subject to subsection (2), the declared benefits with regard to customs duty and excise tax are a seventy per cent waiver of customs duty and excise tax on the following vehicles to be used for the approved tourism project —

- (a) twelve 2020 Chevrolet Spark NG;
- (b) four 2019 Hyundai Tuscon;
- (c) four 2020 Hyundai Creta;
- (d) six 2020 Toyota Rush;
- (e) four 2020 Suzuki Ertiga; and
- (f) two 2020 Suzuki Jimny.

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- (2). The declared benefits under subsection (1) are —
- (a) applicable for a period of one year commencing from the 24<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019 and terminating on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2020;
  - (b) subject to the conditions that —
    - (i) each vehicle —
      - (A) is used for the sole purpose of providing rental services;
      - (B) must display a licence plate as required by the Licensing Authority of the Department of Transport;
      - (C) must be insured at the current market value,
    - (ii) customs duty and excise tax is payable on each vehicle sold before the expiration of four years from the date of purchase,
    - (iii) customs duty and excise tax is payable on each vehicle which is damaged beyond repair, before the expiration of four years from the date of purchase, from the sum awarded by the insurer,
    - (iv) Drive-A-Matic is a registered car rental operator, with the Department of Transport;
    - (v) the management of Drive-A-Matic —
      - (A) complies with the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap. 8.01, Ground Transportation Standards 76:1013 and the CARICOM Regional Standard Specification for Short-Term Vehicle Rentals, CRS 12:2010; and
      - (B) provides data to the Ministry of Tourism, Information and Broadcasting, Culture and Creative Industries and the Department of Statistics to assess the impact of the tourism sector for monitoring and compiling the Tourism Satellite Account.

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Made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020.

DOMINIC FEDEE,  
*Minister responsible for tourism.*

BENJAMIN EMMANUEL,  
*Cabinet Secretary.*