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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PENANG HILL CORPORATION (ROAD TRAFFIC CONTROL) REGULATIONS 2022 EFFECTIVE FROM 1 JUNE 2022

Penang Hill Corporation (PHC) will enforce the Penang Hill Corporation (Road Traffic Control) Regulations 2022 which was gazetted on 31 March 2022 effective from 1 June 2022.

This implementation aims to resolve the long-existing traffic-related issues based on the complaints and feedback received from the residents and visitors such as vehicles without permit using the Jeep Track, uncontrolled number of vehicles, the jeep and buggy services, accidents and traffic congestion at Penang Hill.

Efforts to implement the Penang Hill Corporation (Road Traffic Control) Regulations 2022 began in 2016 with the objective to ensure a more systematic and effective traffic control around the summit area of Penang Hill especially the Jeep Track and Jalan Tuanku Yahya Petra (Summit Road). PHC initiated the project after conducting a series of meetings with the Public Works Department (JKR), the State Legal Adviser Office (PPUU), North-East District and Land Office, Penang Botanic Gardens Department, Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM), Road Transport Department (JPJ), Land Public Transport Agency as well as all the stakeholders such as the Penang Hill Residents' Association and the business partners to gather their cooperation and feedback on the matter.

With the view to ensure visitors' safety while at Penang Hill, PHC, JKR and the state authorities are confident that with this implementation, all parties involved will cooperate to ensure the safety, comfort and smooth traffic flow for the visitors at Penang Hill.

PHC will also implement physical control by installing an automatic boom gate and a traffic guard post with 24 hours CCTV surveillance at the Jeep Track. Besides that, PHC will also ensure that there will be security personnel on duty at the entrance to Jeep Track. Among the notable efforts by PHC to ensure smooth traffic flow at the Jeep Track and the summit area of Penang Hill include installing road signages to remind road users on the speed limit along the Jeep Track, allocation of limited parking bays for cars and motorcycles, limit entry at certain areas, upgrading the triangle to a roundabout, installing bollards at the main areas as well as allocating schedule to load and unload items.

The Jeep Track access is only limited to state agencies or departments, residents, business partners, jeep and buggy service operators, contractors, suppliers or event organisers who have official matters at Penang Hill. Prior approval from PHC supported by JKR must be obtained (via the issuance of entry permit) before using the Jeep Track. Furthermore, PHC is looking into establishing a Penang Hill Traffic Management Section to monitor compliance to the regulations. This is to prevent any misuse of the entry permit and any breach of the regulations.

The application form for the entry permit may be downloaded from <https://corporate.penanghill.gov.my/index.php/ms/permohonan-permit-masuk-jalan-ijp> or may be obtained from the PHC office (during office hours except for Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays).

PHC would like to express its gratitude to Public Works Department (JKR), State Legal Adviser Office (PPUU), North-East District and Land Office, Penang Botanic Gardens Department, Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM), Road Transport Department (JPJ), Land Public Transport Agency for their strong support and cooperation to make the implementation of the Penang Hill Corporation (Road Traffic Control) Regulations 2022 a success.

PHC hopes that the implementation will enhance the level of safety at Penang Hill and will reduce the incidences that occurred over the past few years. PHC also wishes to seek cooperation from all parties to make this implementation a success. PHC is open to suggestions and feedback from all parties to further strengthen the existing system.

For enquiries, please contact Penang Hill Corporation at 04-828 8880 or email to inquiries@penanghill.gov.my.

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About Penang Hill Corporation

Penang Hill Corporation was established in 2009 through an enactment passed by the Penang State Legislative Assembly. Its main focus is to manage the funicular system, maintain and develop Penang Hill as a major ecotourism destination, and its vision is to make Penang Hill the hill resort of choice in Malaysia and the region.

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