

2018

Mandate of the Somalia National Highway Authority

Vision:

A world class Highway Authority committed to deliver efficient, safe and seamless connection of road networks in Somalia.

Mission:

To efficiently and effectively construct, maintain and regulate road networks in Somalia with an objective of keeping all roads in good and safe conditions for road users.

Core values

The Somalia National Highway Authority is committed to the following core values in pursuit of its vision and mission—

1. Professionalism.
2. Integrity, Good Governance & Zero tolerance to corruption
3. Patriotism.
4. Team spirit.
5. Reliability in Service Delivery.
6. Consultative.
7. Innovation.
8. Commitment.
9. Promotion and protection of public interest.
10. Gender equity and equality.
11. Excellence.
12. Human dignity.
13. Equity & Non-discrimination.
14. Sustainable development.

Mandate of SNHA

The Somalia National Highway Authority is an independent Commission set up under Article 5 of the Somalia Roads Load Law 2018 as an autonomous body under the Ministry of Public Works, Reconstruction & Housing. Its core mandate is to construct, maintain, operate, improve and manage the road networks under its jurisdiction (Federal Government of Somalia). The Authority's mandate also includes measuring and assessing the weights, dimensions and capacities of vehicles using any road with the jurisdiction of the Federal Government of Somalia and provides measures to ensure compliance with rules relating to axle load control, other provisions of the Traffic Code and any Regulations.

Functions of the Authority

As stipulated in Article 7 of the Somalia Roads Load Law 2018, the Authority is responsible for—

- (a) The designing, development, construction, rehabilitation, reconstruction and maintenance of national roads which includes bridges, culverts, siphons, Irish crossings and any other structure considered necessary for road network structures;
- (b) Planning, developing standards, codes and specifications for the national and local authorities' roads, including constructing, upgrading, rehabilitating and maintaining roads under its control through force account or through contractors;
- (c) Controlling national roads and road right of way including land reserves and access to roadside developments;
- (d) Implementing road policies in relation to national roads;
- (e) Ensuring adherence to the rules and guidelines on axle load control prescribed under the Traffic Code and under any regulations specified under this Law;
- (f) Ensuring that the quality of road works is in accordance with the standards and codes as may be developed by the authority of the Ministry and approved by the Council of Ministers;
- (g) In collaboration with the Ministry responsible for Civil Aviation and Transport and the Police Department, overseeing the management of traffic and road safety on national roads;
- (h) Collecting and collating all necessary data relating to the use of national roads, for efficient prior planning under this Law;
- (i) Monitoring and evaluating the use of national roads;
- (j) Planning the development and maintenance of national roads;
- (k) Advising the Minister on all matters relating to national roads;
- (l) Preparing the road works programmes for all national roads;
- (m) Liaising, coordinating and advising the other road authorities of the Federal Member States in planning and on implementing operations in respect of road constructions, rehabilitations and maintenance operations; and
- (n) Constructing any road, bridge, building, drainage structure, drain, river channeling or any other related structures necessary or desirable works required for the purposes of the Authority;
- (o) Operating machinery and equipment on public roads in such manner as it may consider necessary;
- (p) Carrying out on any work necessary or desirable to be carried on for the purposes of the Authority and to act as a representative for the Federal Government in the provision of any agreed services;
- (q) With the approval of the Minister, determine, impose and levy rates, tolls, charges, dues or fees for any of its services or for the use by any person of its facilities.