

LMV Licence for Transport Vehicles

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Recently, the <u>Supreme Court</u> ruled that a person holding a <u>driving licence</u> for a <u>light motor vehicle</u> (LMV) is also entitled to drive a <u>transport vehicle</u> with an unladen <u>weight upto 7,500 kg</u>.

- The **SC upheld its 2017** verdict, which also permitted **LMV licence** holders to drive transport vehicles under **7,500 kg** gross weight.
 - The 2017 decision was accepted by the Central Government, leading to amendments in the Motor Vehicles Rules, 2017.
- As per Section 2(21) of <u>The Motor Vehicles Act</u>, <u>1988</u>, a light motor vehicle is a transport vehicle, omnibus, motor car, tractor, or road-roller with a gross vehicle weight or unladen weight not exceeding 7,500 kilograms.
- The SC verdict challenged the practice of insurance companies rejecting claims in accidents involving transport vehicles driven by those with LMV licence.

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