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ROAD SAFETY (VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 1999

Declaration of General Heavy Vehicles with Road Friendly Suspension To Be Class 3 Vehicles and Class 3 Notice — Conditional Exemption from Mass Limits

1. Purpose

To declare general heavy vehicles with road friendly suspension to be class 3 vehicles and to specify mass limits in respect of those vehicles.

2. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under regulations 515(2) and 516 of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1999.

3. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

4. Revocation

The Notices published in Government Gazette No S82 of 14 June 2000 and Government Gazette No S94 of 22 June 2001 concerning declarations of class 3 vehicles are revoked.

5. Expiration

This Notice expires on 1 July 2006.

6. Definitions

In this Notice—

“**Regulations**” means the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1999;

“**road friendly suspension**” has the same meaning as in the Interstate Road Transport Regulations 1986 of the Commonwealth.

7. Interpretation

(1) In this Notice, unless the contrary intention appears, expressions used have the same meaning as the **Transport Act 1983** and the Regulations.

(2) For the avoidance of doubt, it is declared that nothing in this Notice is intended to authorise the driving of a vehicle in a manner or in a condition or place that is contrary to any law except as specifically provided in this Notice.

Example

The exemption of certain vehicles with road friendly suspension from mass limits does not permit such a vehicle when used on a particular road to be driven over any bridge on that road in contravention of a posted mass or dimension limit in relation to that bridge.

(3) Map references to the Melway Greater Melbourne Street Directory (“Mel”) and the VicRoads Country Street Directory of Victoria (“VSD”) are provided to aid the reader and are not part of this Notice.

8. Declaration of general heavy vehicles with road friendly suspension to be class 3 vehicles

By this Notice, the Roads Corporation declares—

- (a) heavy vehicles which are not towing trailers; and
- (b) vehicle combinations consisting of a prime mover and one semi-trailer—
which are fitted with road friendly suspension on—
- (c) a single axle with 4 tyres, on a motor vehicle or semi-trailer; or

- (d) a tandem axle group with 6 tyres, on a motor vehicle; or
- (e) a tandem axle group with 8 tyres, on a motor vehicle or semi-trailer; or
- (f) a tri-axle group with 12 tyres on a semi-trailer—
and which—
- (g) are not class 1 or class 2 vehicles—
to be class 3 vehicles.

9. Conditional exemption of general heavy vehicles with road friendly suspension from certain mass limits

- (1) By this Notice, the Roads Corporation exempts the category of class 3 vehicles referred to in clause 8 of this Notice from the requirements in respect of mass limits set out in clause 39 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations.
- (2) However, a vehicle is exempt only if all conditions of the exemption set out in the Schedule to this Notice are being complied with.

Dated 30 August 2001

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Traffic and Road Use Management
Roads Corporation
(pursuant to an instrument of delegation made under
the official seal of the Roads Corporation)

**SCHEDULE
CONDITIONS OF EXEMPTION**

PART 1 - MASS LIMITS

- 1.1 The mass limits for a vehicle to which this Notice applies are the same as those that apply under clause 39 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations except where a different mass limit is specified by this Schedule.
- 1.2 The mass limit for a single axle or axle group described in column 1 of Table A, if fitted with a road friendly suspension, is the limit set out in column 2 of that Table opposite the description in column 1.

TABLE A

Column 1 DESCRIPTION OF SINGLE AXLE OR AXLE GROUP	Column 2 MASS LIMIT (tonnes)
Single axle with 4 tyres, on a motor vehicle or semi-trailer	10.0
Tandem axle group with 6 tyres, on a motor vehicle	14.0
Tandem axle group with 8 tyres, on a motor vehicle or semi-trailer	17.0
Tri-axle group with 12 tyres on a semi-trailer	22.5

- 1.3 A vehicle must comply with clause 39 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations as if the mass limits in column 2 of Table 2 to the Regulations were increased by—
 - (a) in respect of each single axle with 4 tyres with a road friendly suspension—1.0 tonne;
 - (b) in respect of each tandem axle group with 8 tyres with a road friendly suspension—0.5 tonne;

- (c) in respect of each tandem axle group with 6 tyres with a road friendly suspension—
1.0 tonne; and
 - (d) in respect of each tri-axle group with 12 tyres with a road friendly suspension—
2.5 tonnes.
- 1.4 A vehicle combination consisting of a motor vehicle and one semi-trailer must comply with clause 39 of Schedule 3 to the Regulations as if the reference to “42.5 tonnes” in regulation 404(a) were a reference to “45.5 tonnes”.
- 1.5 A vehicle operating under the conditions of this Notice must have, in its driving compartment, for the purposes of regulation 821 of the Regulations—
- (a) a copy of this Notice or the information bulletin *B-doubles & Higher Mass Limits Trucks* – July 2001; and
 - (b) if travelling on a road (local road) listed in Part 4 of this Notice, a copy of this Notice or the supplementary publication *Local Roads Approved for B-doubles and Higher Mass Limits Trucks* – July 2001.

PART 2 – ACCREDITATION OF CERTAIN OPERATORS

- 2.1 The registered operator of a vehicle with a tri-axle group exceeding 20.0 tonnes must be accredited under either:
- (a) The Mass Management Module of the National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme; or
 - (b) National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme Agreement for Mass Management, known as the Mass Management Accreditation (Pilot) Program; or
 - (c) Transport SA Heavy Vehicle Mass Management Accreditation Scheme.

PART 3 – TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 A vehicle fitted with road friendly suspension that has a tri-axle group exceeding 20.0 tonnes may only travel on roads which are:
- (a) declared roads within the meaning of the **Transport Act 1983**, other than:
 - (i) The roads or parts of roads listed in column 1 of Table B in this Schedule; and
 - (ii) The bridges, culverts or other structures specified in column 1 of Table C in this Schedule on the road specified in column 2 of that Table;
 - (b) local roads listed in Part 4 of this Schedule.

TABLE B
DECLARED ROADS CLOSED TO VEHICLES WITH TRI-AXLE GROUPS
EXCEEDING 20.0 TONNES

Column 1 ROADS CLOSED TO RELEVANT VEHICLES	Column 2 LOCALITY
Bacchus Marsh Road between Geelong–Bacchus Marsh Road and the Western Highway Interchange east of Bacchus Marsh	Bacchus Marsh
Ballarat–Burrumbeet Road between the Western Highway at Burrumbeet and the Ring Road at Ballarat	Cardigan Village
Ballarat–Maryborough Road between Clunes and Dunach	Dunach Clunes
Balnarring Road (Old Moorooduc Road) between Mornington Peninsula Freeway and the Bittern–Dromana Road	Mount Martha
Barnawartha–Howlong Road	Browns Plains
Barwon Heads Road between the Lower Duneed Road and the Barwon Heads–Ocean Grove Road	Barwon Heads
Benalla–Yarrowonga Road between the Benalla–Winton Road and the Tungamah Road	Chesney
Birregurra Road	Birregurra
Boort–Wycheproof Road	Catumnal
Bridgewater–Maldon Road between the Bendigo–St Arnaud Road and the Bendigo–Maryborough Road	Laanecoorie
Burnley–Kew Road (Wallen Road) between Power Street and Swan Street at Madden Grove	Hawthorn
Burwood Road between Power Street and Church Street	Hawthorn
Casterton–Edenhope Road	Chetwynd
Chiltern–Howlong Road between the Chiltern–Rutherglen Road and the Murray Valley Highway	Chiltern
Clunes–Creswick Road	Creswick
Colac–Ballarat Road between Cororooke Road and the Princes Highway	Irrewarra
Colac–Forrest Road	Yeodene
Coleraine–Merino Road	Merino
Combienbar Road	Club Terrace
Daylesford–Newstead Road	Yandoit
Dederang Road between Yackandandah and the Myrtleford–Yackandandah Road	Yackandandah

Column 1 ROADS CLOSED TO RELEVANT VEHICLES	Column 2 LOCALITY
Dohertys Road between Grieve Parade and Fitzgerald Road	Laverton North
Don Road	Launching Place
Donnybrook Road between the Epping–Kilmore Road at Woodstock and the Main Whittlesea Road	Yan Yean
Drouin–Korumburra Road between Drouin–Warragul Road and the Westernport Road	Drouin
Dunach–Eddington Road	Simson
Dunolly–Eddington Road	Eddington
Euroa Main Road	Euroa
Euroa Main Road	Euroa
Fitzgerald Road between Dohertys Road and Kororoit Creek Road	Laverton North
Fullard Road between Hallam Road and Narre Warren–Cranbourne Road	Narre Warren
Geelong–Bacchus Marsh Road between Bacchus Marsh–Werribee Road and the Bacchus Marsh Road	Bacchus Marsh
Gisborne–Kilmore Road between Station Road at Gisborne and the Sunbury–Riddells Creek Road	Riddells Creek
Gisborne–Melbourne Road between the Gisborne–Kilmore Road and the Calder Freeway	Gisborne
Glenferrie Road between Wattletree Road and Dandenong Road	Malvern
Glenhuntly Road between Barkly Street and Nepean Highway	Elwood
Grampians Road between the Northern Grampians Road and the Lake Fyans Road	Halls Gap
Grange Road between Barkly Avenue and Alexandra Avenue	Burnley
Hamilton–Port Fairy Road between the Henty Highway at Hamilton and Myamyn–Macarthur Road	Byaduk North Byaduk North
Healesville–Kinglake Road between the Healesville–Yarra Glen Road and the Melba Highway at Castella	Chum Creek
Healesville–Koo–Wee–Rup Road between the Warburton Highway and the Maroondah Highway	Woori Yallock Woori Yallock
Heathcote–Kyneton Road between Redesdale and Heathcote	Redesdale
Heathcote–Rochester Road between the Northern Highway and the Bendigo–urchison Road	North of Heathcote
Heidelberg–Kinglake Road between Wattletree Road and the Kangaroo Ground–Wattle Glen Road	Diamond Creek

Column 1 ROADS CLOSED TO RELEVANT VEHICLES	Column 2 LOCALITY
High Street between Williams Road and Glenferrie Road	Armadale
High Street between Monash Freeway and Huntingdale Road	Glen Iris Ashwood
Horsham–Drung South Road	Horsham
Kiewa East Road	Kiewa
Koo–Wee–Rup–Longwarry Road between Ballarto Road and Longwarry–Nar Nar Goon Road	Bayles Bayles
Livingstone Street between Oriel Road and Upper Heidelberg Road	Ivanhoe
Malvern Road between Williams Road and Glenferrie Road	Toorak
Melbourne–Lancefield Road between the Sunbury Road and the Gisborne–Kilmore Road	Bolinda
Melbourne–Lancefield Road between the Gisborne–Kilmore Road and the Lancefield–Woodend Road	Romsey
Melton Main Road (High Street)	Melton
Midland Highway between Faithful Street and Nunn Street	Benalla
Mount Baw Baw Road Noojee and the Willowgrove Road	Noojee
Natimuk–Frances Road between Wimmera Highway and the Nhill–Harrow Road	Nurcounq
Natimuk–Hamilton Road between Noradjuha and Wombeland Road	Jallumba
Nepean Highway between the Mornington–Tyabb Road and Bittern–Dromana Road	Balcombe Dromana
Nepean Highway between Beach Road and Edithvale Road	Mordialloc
Normanby Avenue between St Georges Road and Nicholson Street	Coburg East
Orrong Road between Toorak Road and High Street	Toorak
Queens Park Road	Geelong
Rushworth–Tatura Road	Rushworth
Shelford–Bannockburn Road	Teesdale
South Gippsland Highway	Longford
Spencer Road between the Hamilton–Port Fairy Road and Penshurst–Port Fairy Road	Ryan Corner
Stanhope Grove between Canterbury Road and Riversdale Road	Camberwell
Stanley Road between Beechworth–Wangaratta Road and Buckland Gap Road	Beechworth

Column 1 ROADS CLOSED TO RELEVANT VEHICLES	Column 2 LOCALITY
Stawell–Avoca Road between the Ararat–Stawell Road and the Ararat–St Arnaud Road	Navarre Bridge Inn
Stawell–Avoca Road between the Ararat–St Arnaud Road and the Sunraysia Highway	Tanwood
St Kilda Street between Ormond Esplanade and Glenhuntly Road	Elwood
Studley Park Road between Hoddle Street and Princes Street	Kew
Sunbury–Riddells Creek Road	Riddells Creek
Tyers Road	Traralgon
Victoria Street between Burnley Street and Church Street at Kew	Abbotsford
Walhalla Road	Walhalla
Wangaratta Road between Hume Freeway south of Wangaratta and Greta Road	Wangaratta
Warncoort–Birregurra Road	Birregurra
Wattletree Road between Dandenong Road and Glenferrie Road	Malvern
Wattletree Road	Eltham
Woolsthorpe–Heywood Road between the Ettrick–Tyrendarra Road and the Hamilton–Port Fairy Road	Bessiebelle
Woolsthorpe–Heywood Road between the Hamilton–Port Fairy Road and the Penshurst–Warrnambool Road	Dunmore

TABLE C
BRIDGES, CULVERTS OR OTHER STRUCTURES CLOSED TO VEHICLES WITH
TRI-AXLE GROUPS EXCEEDING 20.0 TONNES

Column 1 LOCATION OF BRIDGE, CULVERT OR OTHER STRUCTURE CLOSED TO RELEVANT VEHICLES	Column 2 NAME OF ROAD	Column 3 LOCALITY
Ovens River	Bright–Tawonga Road	Germantown
Rileys Creek	Dargo Road	Dargo
Browns Creek	Great Ocean Road	Skenes Creek
Cumberland River	Great Ocean Road	Lorne
Ford River	Great Ocean Road	Glenaire
Petticoat Creek	Great Ocean Road	Skenes Creek
Macalister River	Licola Road	Licola
Monbulk Creek	Lysterfield Road	Ferntree Gully
Jingallala Creek	McKillops Road	Cabanandra
Little River	McKillops Road	Wulgulmerang
Snowy River	McKillops Road	Deddick
Unnamed watercourse at or near the 33.62 kilometre point	McKillops Road	Deddick
Wulgulmerang Creek	McKillops Road	Wulgulmerang
Bingo Munjie Creek	Omeo Highway	Omeo
Cobungra River	Omeo Highway	Omeo
Livingstone Creek	Omeo Highway	Omeo
Mitta Mitta River	Omeo Highway	Tallandoon
Mitta Mitta River	Omeo Highway	Tallandoon
Little River	Snowy River Road	Wulgulmerang
Suggan Buggan River	Snowy River Road	Suggan Buggan
Tarra River	Tarra Valley Road	Macks Creek
Tarra River	Tarra Valley Road	Macks Creek
Goulburn River	Warburton–Woods Point Road	Woods Point
Morning Star Creek	Warburton–Woods Point Road	Woods Point

**PART 4 — LOCAL ROADS ON WHICH VEHICLES WITH A TRI-AXLE GROUP
EXCEEDING 20.0 TONNES MAY TRAVEL**

4.1 The local roads to which clause 3.1(b) of this Schedule applies are:

GLENELG, Shire of (VSD Map 71)

All roads in the Shire of Glenelg are approved, **except**:

1. Sections of local roads within the towns of Casterton, Dartmoor, Digby, Heywood, Merino, Nelson, Portland and Sandford where the speed limit in the 'speed limited area' in those towns is 80 kilometres per hour or less; and

Note: To travel on the sections of roads above, a letter of support from the Shire is needed and a subsequent permit obtained from VicRoads.

2. The following roads:

- (a) Old Telegraph Road between the South Australian border and Paramount Road;
- (b) Section Road at Dunrobin;
- (c) Casterton–Dartmoor Road; and
- (d) Mocamboro Road at Merino.

BALLARAT (VSD Map 254 B 8)

Ring Road

BENALLA (VSD Map 47 H 2)

Ackerly Street

Faithful Street

Goodwin Street

Northern Bypass Road (Link Road)

BENDIGO (VSD Map 282)

Allies Road (between Myers Flat and Marong)

Avery's Road between Simpsons Road and Howard Street

Breen Street between Russell Street and Freight Victoria

Eaglehawk–Epsom Road (Howard Street)

Hodgson Street between Bendigo–Pyramid Hill Road and Tracey Court

McClelland Drive

Nolan Street between Prouses Road and Midland Highway

Prouses Road between Nolan Street and Holdsworth Road

Sailors Gully Road

Sternberg Street between Townsend Street and McIvor Highway

DANDENONG (Mel Map 95)

Abbotts Road

Advantage Drive

Bridge Road

Browns Road between the Princes Highway and Summit Road

Cambria Road

Capital Drive

Claredale Road

Commercial Drive

Elliott Road

England Street

Hammond Road between Rhur Road and Bangholme Road

Healey Road

Hydrive Close

Kitchen Road
Monterey Road
Nathan Road
Nicole Way
Ordish Road
Park Drive
Progress Street
Quality Drive
Round Tower Road between Nathan Road and railway line
Remington Drive
Rhur Road
Smith Road
Swift Drive
Taylors Road between Colemans Road and Abbots Road
Waterview Close
DERRIMUT (Mel Map 39)
Swann Drive between Fitzgerald Road and Briggs Drive
Briggs Drive
Fulton Drive between Briggs Drive and Fitzgerald Road
HAMILTON (VSD Map 230)
Abbott Street (No exit directly onto Mt Napier Road – use Apex Drive)
Apex Drive
Eddy Street
Fenton Street between Eddy Street and Mt Napier Road
Holden Street
Mt Napier Road between Holden Street and Fenton Street
HOPPERS CROSSING (Mel Map 203 F 10)
Forsyth Road between Old Geelong Road and the premises at No. 6 Forsyth Road
KERANG (VSD Map 20)
Airport Road
Boundary Street
MARYBOROUGH (VSD Map 247)
Gladstone Street
Phelan Street
Tullaroop Street
ROBINVALE (VSD Map 206)
David Street
Moore Street
SEYMOUR (VSD Map 292)
High Street between Wallis Street and Tarcombe Road
Oak Street between Tarcombe Road and Goulburn Valley Highway
Tarcombe Road between High Street and Oak Street
Wallis Street between Goulburn Valley Highway and High Street
SWAN HILL (VSD Map 210)
Cobb Court
Gray Street, for 600 metres south east from Sea Lake–Swan Hill
Karinie Street between the Murray Valley Highway and Richards Road
McAllister Road

Quin Drive

Richards Road

Shepherd Road

Thurla Street between Karinie Street and Cobb Court

Webster Drive

WODONGA (VSD Map 323)

Pearce Street

YELTA (VSD Map 2 H 4)

Meridian Road between Calder Highway and Sturt Highway.

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