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PERMANENT BAN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SUPPLY OF DANGEROUS GOODS

I, Marsha Thomson, Minister for Consumer Affairs, pursuant to the powers conferred on me by Part 3 Division 1 of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** hereby make a permanent ban order (the "Order") prohibiting the supply in Victoria of the following goods:

Goods that are motorcycles not intended for certification under the "Road Vehicle Certification System" operated by the Commonwealth Department of Transport and Regional Services. The goods include motorcycles also known as Mini Bikes, Pocket Bikes and Monkey Bikes, that do not comply with the schedule to this order.

Schedule

- (a) Throttle (Accelerator):
All motorcycles shall be equipped with an accelerator mounted on the right handle bar and be self closing in a clockwise direction to idle position after release of hand.
- (b) Braking Systems:
All motorcycles shall be equipped with brake systems that are capable of acting on the front and rear wheels. With the exception of drum type brake systems, the brake system must incorporate devices which compensate for any increased movement of its components arising from wear. Such devices must themselves contain provision for securing them throughout their working range in any position in which they may be adjusted to or to which they themselves automatically adjust.
- (c) Foot Pegs:
All motorcycles shall be equipped with foot pegs. Each foot peg must be capable of holding a static load equal to the maximum carrying capacity recommended by the manufacturer. Where a maximum carrying capacity is not supplied by the manufacturer, each foot peg must be capable of holding a static load of 70kg.
- (d) Steering:
The steering head (head stem) shall exhibit no free play and the steering must move freely, under its own weight, from lock to lock with the front wheel raised off the ground.

I make this permanent ban order on the recommendation of Dr David Cousins, Director of Consumer Affairs Victoria, in accordance with section 40(2)(a) of the **Fair Trading Act 1999**.

Dated 16 May 2005

MARSHA THOMSON MP
Minister for Consumer Affairs

Explanatory Note

This permanent ban order prohibits the supply of motorcycles that do not comply with the schedule to this order, including motorcycles commonly referred to as "Monkey Bikes" or "Pocket Bikes".

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