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## Road Safety Act 1986

### ROAD SAFETY (VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 2009

#### Exemption of Rowing Shell Trailers from Rear Overhang Limit

**1. Purpose**

The purpose of this notice is to exempt trailers used to transport rowing shells from the rear overhang limit in the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009 (in this notice referred to as the Vehicles Regulations).

**2. Authorising provision**

This notice is made under regulation 178 of the Vehicles Regulations. Regulation 178 provides that the Roads Corporation, by a notice published in the Government Gazette, may exempt a category of class 1 vehicles from any of the following requirements set out in Schedule 7 to the Vehicles Regulations –

- (a) a mass or dimension limit, other than a limit that relates to a GVM, a GCM or a manufacturer's limit; or
- (b) any other requirement.

**3. Commencement**

This notice commences on the date it is published in the Government Gazette.

**4. Revocation**

The notice published in Government Gazette No. S 252 on 27 September 2006 entitled 'Notice Concerning the Transportation of Rowing Shells/Class 1 Notice for Rowing Shell Trailers' is revoked.

**5. Expiry**

This notice expires on 9 November 2014.

**6. Exemption**

I, David Shelton, delegate of the Roads Corporation, exempt a trailer carrying rowing shells from the maximum overhang permitted by regulation 169(3) of the Vehicles Regulations and clause 5(1A) of Schedule 7 to the Vehicles Regulations, provided that –

- (a) the rear overhang (the distance between the centre of the trailer's axle or axle group and the rearmost part of the load on the trailer) does not exceed 5 metres; and
- (b) any portion of the rowing shells that exceeds the rear overhang limit of 3.7 metres (that would otherwise be imposed under regulation 169(3)) does not exceed a total width of 2 metres; and
- (c) the trailer exerts a positive downward force on the towing vehicle's trailer coupling; and
- (d) the trailer is only used to transport rowing shells, ballast and accessories associated with rowing; and
- (e) the rear of the trailer displays an oversize sign complying with the requirements for such signs set out in clauses 14 to 19 of Schedule 7 to the Vehicles Regulations; and
- (f) the registered operator of the towing vehicle ensures that the combination of which the trailer forms part can be safely operated on its intended routes.

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**Notes:**

1. Words and phrases in this notice have the same meanings as in the **Road Safety Act 1986** and the Regulations under that Act.
2. A trailer is a class 1 vehicle under regulation 177(1)(c) of the Vehicles Regulations when it is being used to carry rowing shells.
3. Clause 5(1A) of Schedule 7 to the Vehicles Regulations requires class 1 vehicles to comply with the dimension limits in Chapter 4 of the Vehicles Regulations where Table 3 of Schedule 7 does not specify a dimension limit.
4. Regulation 169(3), in Chapter 4 of the Vehicles Regulations, provides that the maximum rear overhang for a trailer with only one axle group or single axle, other than a semi-trailer, is the lesser of –
  - (a) the length of the load carrying area, or body, ahead of the rear overhang line; and
  - (b) 3.7 metres.

Dated 16 June 2010

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