**Heavy Vehicle**

**Queensland Class 1 Comb Trailer Dimension Exemption Notice 2016 (No. 1)**

Statutory Instrument Series:

Class 1/3 Heavy Vehicle Exemption Notice - Mass Exemption

1. **Purpose**
2. The purpose of this notice is to exempt comb trailers from stated prescribed dimension requirements in Schedule 6 of the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation*.
3. **Authorising Provision**

This notice is made under section 117of the *Heavy Vehicle National Law.*

1. **Commencement**

This notice commences on 1 July 2016.

1. **Expiry**

This notice expires on 30 June 2017

1. **Title**

This notice may be cited as the Queensland Class 1 Comb Trailer Dimension Exemption Notice 2016.

1. **Definitions**
2. Unless otherwise stated, words and expressions used in this Notice have the same meanings as those defined in the HVNL.
3. In this Notice-

*comb trailer* means a trailer specifically designed and constructed for transporting the comb (the reaping implement) of a combine harvester and associated equipment.

*combine harvester* means a machine which simultaneously combines the operations of reaping, threshing and winnowing grain crops.

***Form 14 Guideline*** means the *Guideline for Excess Dimension Agricultural Vehicles and Agricultural Combinations; Vehicle and Drivers Form Number 14*, Version 4, October 2013.

1. **Application**
2. This Notice applies to eligible vehicles in Queensland.
3. This Notice applies to the movement of loaded and unloaded comb trailers.
4. **Dimension Exemption**

A heavy vehicle operating under this Notice is exempted from the requirements included in Part 2 of Schedule 6 section 4 of the *Heavy Vehicles (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation*.

1. **Condition – Identification plate**

A comb trailer must be fitted with an Identification Plate issued by the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.

1. **Operating Conditions**
2. While operating under this notice, a comb trailer loaded with a header comb—
3. must comply with the Form 14 Guideline as it applies to agricultural vehicles, as defined under the Form 14 Guideline, except as otherwise provided by this notice; and
4. may only be used to carry—
   * 1. the comb of a combine harvester; and
     2. other items associated with the performance of the comb’s functions; and
     3. and equipment used to repair agricultural vehicles;

and

1. must not, when being towed by an agricultural machine, exceed the comb trailer’s aggregate trailer mass and the tyre and axle manufacturer’s ratings; and
2. must not, when being towed by a motor vehicle, exceed any of the following—
3. the towing vehicle’s towing capacity;
4. the comb trailer’s aggregate trailer mass;
5. the comb trailer’s tyre and axle manufacturer’s ratings or towing mass ratios;

and

1. must not exceed 80km per hour.
2. **Exclusion of prescribed conditions**

The application of Schedule 8 of the National Regulation to this notice is expressly excluded.

1. **Conditions-General**

It is a condition of this exemption that the driver of a heavy vehicle operating under this exemption must keep in the driver’s possession a copy of this Notice and must produce the Notice to an authorised officer when requested.

1. **Routes and Areas**

A heavy vehicle operating under this Notice may operate on any route or in any area it would have been authorised to travel on under the Form 14 Guideline.

Date: 22 June 2016

Signature of Sal Petroccitto
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