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**GOVERNMENT NOTICES** 

### **HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW**

National Class 2 Supplementary Access (Northern Territory Assistance) Authorisation Notice 2022 (No.1)

## 1. Purpose

This Notice authorises the access of Class 2 heavy vehicles that are road trains up to 53.5m in length to a specified network from South Australia to the Northern Territory. The purpose of this access is to allow increased freight capacity on alternative road networks during a period when regular rail and road freight routes are cut by natural disaster.

Note:

As a class 2 authorisation, this Notice only applies to a vehicle that complies with General Mass Limits under Schedule 1 of the Heavy Vehicle (Mass Dimension and Loading) National Regulation.

### 2. Authorising provision

- 1) This Notice is made under the following provisions of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL):
  - a) Section 138 Regulator's power to authorise use of all or stated categories of class 2 heavy vehicles.

## 3. Title

This authorisation Notice may be cited as the *National Class 2 Supplementary Access* (Northern Territory Assistance) Authorisation Notice 2022 (No.1).

#### 4. Commencement date

This Notice commences on the date of its publication.

## 5. Expiry date

This Notice expires 28 days after commencement.

#### 6. Definitions

Unless otherwise stated, words and expression used in this Notice have the same meanings as those in the HVNL and its regulations.

### 7. Application

- 1) This authorisation Notice applies to a heavy vehicle that meets all of the requirements of this section.
- 2) This authorisation Notice applies to a heavy vehicle that is a class 2 road train that does not exceed 53.5m in length, and that meets the definition of a Type-2 road train under section 6 of the *National Class 2 Road Train Authorisation Notice 2020*.
- 3) This authorisation applies to a heavy vehicle that is:
  - a) transporting goods from South Australia to the Northern Territory along the route specified in section 9; or
  - b) making a return journey along the route specified in section 9 from the Northern Territory to South Australia after completing a journey under a).
- 4) This authorisation Notice only applies to a heavy vehicle operating in the stated routes set out in section 9.
- 5) A heavy vehicle to which this section applies is an eligible vehicle.

### 8. Authorisation

Subject to the conditions in the Notice, an eligible vehicle is authorised to operate on the areas and routes specified in section 9.

# 9. Condition – Areas and Routes

- 1) For the purposes of 142(1)(b) of the HVNL, the network set out in Schedule 1 consists of the stated areas and routes to which this authorisation Notice applies.
- 2) An eligible vehicle operating on an area or route must comply with the following conditions relevant to it:
  - a) Road conditions pursuant to section 160 of HVNL; and
  - b) Travel conditions pursuant to section 161 of the HVNL; and
  - c) Vehicle conditions pursuant to section 162 of the HVNL.

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### 10. Conditions – Compliance with National Class 2 Road Train Authorisation Notice 2020

An eligible vehicle must comply with any conditions that may apply to that combination under the *National Class 2 Road Train Authorisation Notice 2020*.

### 11. Condition - Continuity of route

- 1) An eligible vehicle must follow the route specified in section 9 either:
  - a) from the route's start point to its end point; or
  - b) on a return journey after a journey under a) from the route's end point to its start point.
- 2) The start and end point of the route are specified in Schedule 1.

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## **Schedule 1 States Routes and Areas**

Table 1 sets out stated route authorised under this Notice pursuant to section 9.

An eligible vehicle may operate on the segment of the route set out in column 1 under the conditions noted in column 2.

Pursuant to section 11 of the Notice, the start and end point of the route are specified in Column 2.

This network is also identified as Route ID 16GFM-9 v13, as maintained in the records of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator.

**Table 1: Stated Route** 

| Column 1                                  | Column 2   |
|---|--|
| Stated area or Route                      | Notes  |
| IOR Petroleum Facility, West St, Burra    | Start Point  |
| Barrier Hwy, Burra to Cobar               | When approaching Broken Hill and Cobar residential areas, vehicles must notify other heavy vehicles and traffic control of their approach using UHF Channel 40                             |
| Barton St, Cobar                          |  |
| Frederick St, Cobar                       |  |
| Bourke Rd, Cobar                          |  |
| Kidman Way, Cobar to Bourke               |  |
| Mitchell Hwy, Bourke                      |  |
| Tarcoon St, Bourke                        | When approaching Broken Hill and Cobar residential areas, vehicles must notify other heavy vehicles and traffic control of their approach using UHF Channel 40  Speed is limited to 40km/h |
| Mitchell Hwy, Bourke to Barringun         |  |
| NSW / QLD Border, Mitchell Hwy, Barringun | End Point  |

Note: The IOR Petroleum Facility is general marshalling area that is not exclusively used for petroleum products.

Regardless of any conditions in Column 2, all official traffic signs must be complied with.