HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

**New South Wales Class 2 Port Botany Container Transportation Authorisation 2024 (No.1)**

1. **Purpose**

1) This notice authorises the use of class 2 heavy vehicles that are Performance Based Standards (PBS) heavy vehicles transporting over-mass freight containers from a Stevedore’s Terminal at Port Botany to a prescribed Container Freight Station.

*Note: This notice operates in conjunction with the New South Wales Class 2 and 3 Port Botany Container Transportation Mass Exemption Notice Operator’s Guide.*

**2. Authorising provision**

1. This notice is made under the following section 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 notice may be cited as the *New South Wales Class 2 Port Botany Container Transportation Authorisation Notice 2024 (No.1).*

**4. Commencement date**

This notice commences on 11 June 2024.

**5. Expiry date**

This notice expires on 10 April 2029.

**6. Definitions**

1) Unless otherwise stated, words and expressions used in this notice have the same meanings as those in the HVNL and its regulations.

2) In this notice:

***Container Freight Station (CFS)*** means a CFS prescribed in the Guide.

***Guide*** means the *New South Wales Class 2 and 3 Port Botany Container Transportation Mass Exemption Notice Operator’s Guide* published by the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator, as amended from time to time**.**

***MDL Regulation*** means the *Heavy Vehicle National (Mass, Dimension and Loading) Regulation*.

***Performance Based Standards (PBS)*** vehicle means one that has a PBS current vehicle approval.

***Prescribed Stevedore’s Terminal*** means a cargo terminal prescribed in the Guide.

**7. Application**

1) This notice applies to a class 2 heavy vehicle that meets all the requirements in this section.

2) This notice applies to a PBS heavy vehicle that is one of the following categories, and that is carrying a load of one or more freight containers from a Prescribed Stevedore’s Terminal:

* + 1. a prime mover and semi-trailer combination that has an overall length not exceeding 20 metres, and not more than 7 axles in total; or a
		2. B-double that has an overall length not exceeding 26 metres, and 9 axles in total; or a B-double that has an overall length not exceeding 30 metres, and 11 axles in total; or an
		3. A-double that has an overall length not exceeding 30 metres, and 12 axles in total.
1. A heavy vehicle to which this section applies and that complies with the conditions of this notice is an eligible vehicle.

8. Condition - Mass Limits

1. An eligible vehicle operating under this notice must not exceed the mass limits specified in Table 1.

**Table 1 Axle mass limits**

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| **Description** | **Maximum Allowable Mass (t)** |
| A non-complying steer axle | 7.2 |
| A complying steer axle  | 7.8 |
| Single axle or single axle group fitted with single tyres with section widths of at least 375mm | 7.8 |
| Single axle or single axle group fitted with single tyres with section widths of at least 375mm but less than 450mm | 8.04 |
| Single axle or single axle group fitted with single tyres with section widths of at least 450mm | 8.40 |
| Single axle or single axle group fitted with dual tyres on a vehicle that is not a pig trailer, complying bus or ultra-low-floor bus | 10.8 |
| Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres with tyre section widths of less than 375mm | 13.2 |
| Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres with tyre section widths of at least 375mm but less than 450mm | 15.96 |
| Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres with tyre section widths of at least 450mm | 16.8 |
| Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres on 1 axle and dual tyres on the other axle on a motor vehicle that is not a complying bus  | 15.6 |
| Tandem axle group fitted with dual tyres on a vehicle that is not a pig trailer | 19.8 |
| Twinsteer axle group without a load-sharing suspension system | 12.0 |
| Twinsteer axle group with a load-sharing suspension system.  | 13.2 |
| Tri-axle group on a vehicle other than a pig trailer fitted with -1. single tyres with section widths of at least 375mm on all axles
2. dual tyres on all axles
3. single tyres with section widths of at least 375mm on some axles and dual tyres on the other axles
 | 24.0 |
| Quad-axle group fitted with single tyres with section widths of less than 375mm | 18.0 |
| Quad-axle group fitted with single tyres with section widths of at least 375mm or dual tyres | 24.0 |

1. **Condition – Compliance with PBS vehicle approval**
2. An eligible vehicle must comply with the requirements and conditions of the PBS vehicle approval issued to it.
3. If another condition of this Notice, or a condition of access to a network under this notice, makes a requirement that is more restrictive than the vehicle’s PBS vehicle approval then the more restrictive condition must be complied with.
4. **Condition – Stated areas or routes**
5. An eligible vehicle that complies with the conditions of this notice is authorised to operate on the routes and areas as listed in *‘Schedule 1 - Approved Routes and Conditions*’ of the Guide.

2) Regardless of any access granted under this section, an eligible vehicle must comply with any conditions or restrictions applied to a given area or route by the *Specified Road Manager Network Requirements* in the Guide.

3) In this section:

***Network***means a map or stated route, including a list or database, presented electronically or otherwise, that represents the stated areas and stated routes authorised under this Notice.

4) An eligible vehicle operating on an area or route specified in this section must comply with any of the following conditions prescribed for that area or route:

a) Road conditions pursuant to section 160 of the 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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