



HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

Queensland Class 3 Heavy Vehicle Sugar Mass Management Scheme Exemption Notice 2024 (No.1)

1. Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to allow for an efficient transport of sugar cane to particular sugar mills operating under a Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme.

2. Title

This notice may be cited as the Queensland Class 3 Heavy Vehicle Sugar Mill Mass Management Scheme Exemption Notice 2024 (No.1).

3. Commencement

This notice commences on 1 July 2024.

4. Expiry

This notice expires on 30 May 2029.

5. Authorising provision

- 1) This notice is made under the following provision of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL):
 - a) *Section 117 - Regulator's power to exempt category of class 3 heavy vehicles from compliance with mass or dimension requirement.*

6. Definitions

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

Eligible vehicle means a vehicle that is enrolled in a *Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme*.

Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme means a scheme registered with the Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads and listed in Schedule 1 of this notice.

Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme Participation Guide means the document of that name published and maintained by the Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads, as amended from time to time.

7. Application

This notice applies to eligible vehicles in Queensland.

8. Exemption from Prescribed Mass Requirements

- 1) This notice exempts an eligible vehicle from the following general mass limits specified in Schedule 1 of the Heavy Vehicle (Mass Dimension and Loading) National Regulation (MDL Regulation):
 - a) Section 2(1)(a)(iv) and (vi); and
 - b) Section 2(1)(b); and
 - c) Section 4; and
 - d) Section 5(1), (2) and (3).

9. Conditions-Maximum Permissible Mass

- 1) Vehicles operating under this notice must not exceed:
 - a) 7.5% over prescribed mass limits; and
 - b) 10% over prescribed axle mass limits; and
 - c) Notwithstanding subsections a) and b) above, an eligible vehicle must not exceed manufacturer mass limits as defined in section 8(8) of the MDL Regulation.

10. General Conditions

- 1) A vehicle operating under this notice must:
 - a) Be an eligible vehicle; and
 - b) Comply with the provisions of the *Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme* in which it is enrolled and under which it is operating; and
 - c) Comply with the provisions of the *Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme Participation Guide*.

11. Conditions – Stated areas or routes

- 1) For the purposes of section 119(1)(a) of the HVNL, this notice applies to the areas or routes set out in a relevant Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme.
- 2) An eligible vehicle operating on an area or route specified in this section must comply with any of the conditions specified for those routes or areas in accordance with:
 - 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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Schedule 1: Queensland Sugar Mass Management Schemes

Queensland Sugar Mass Management Scheme
Rocky Point Sugar Mass Management Scheme
Bundaberg Sugar Mass Management Scheme
Isis Sugar Mass Management Scheme
Tablelands Sugar Mass Management Scheme