



## HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

### Victorian Heavy Vehicle Standards (Agricultural Vehicles and Special Purpose Vehicles) Exemption Notice 2024 (No.1)

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to exempt agricultural vehicles and special purpose vehicles that are heavy vehicles from compliance with the Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation (the National Regulation).

#### 2. Authorising Provision

This notice is made under section 61 of the *Heavy Vehicle National Law* (HVNL) as in force in Victoria.

#### 3. Commencement

This notice commences on 2 September 2024.

#### 4. Expiry

This notice expires on 1 September 2029.

#### 5. Definitions

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

(2) In this notice—

**Agricultural vehicle** means an agricultural implement or agricultural machine.

**Certificate of Approved Operations** means a certificate of that name issued pursuant to the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations (Vic) as amended or remade from time-to-time.

**Conditional registration** means registration granted to a vehicle that does not comply with the vehicle standards, that is either affixed with an operations plate or has been issued with a certificate of approved operations, pursuant to the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations (Vic) as amended or remade from time-to-time.

**Operations plate** means a plate of that name issued pursuant to section 21 of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009 (Vic) as amended or remade from time-to-time.

**Special purpose vehicle means—**

(a) a vehicle (other than a caravan, a mobile home, a mobile library, a mobile workshop, a mobile laboratory or a mobile billboard) built, or permanently modified, for a primary purpose other than the carriage of goods or passengers;  
or

(b) any of the following vehicles—

- (i) a forklift;
- (ii) a straddle carrier;
- (iii) a mobile cherry picker;
- (iv) a mobile crane.

**6. Title**

This notice may be cited as the *Victorian Heavy Vehicle Standards (Agricultural Vehicles and Special Purpose Vehicles) Exemption Notice 2024 (No.1)*.

**7. Application**

- (1) This notice applies only in Victoria.
- (2) This notice applies to a special purpose vehicle or agricultural vehicle that has conditional registration.

**8. Exemption from Prescribed Vehicle Standards**

An eligible vehicle is exempted from the standards in Schedule 2 of the National Regulation listed in Table 1.

**9. Conditions**

- (1) An eligible vehicle operating under this notice must comply with the standard conditions that apply to conditionally registered vehicles and body type, as published by VicRoads.
- (2) The exemption listed in item 11 of Table 1 in this notice only apply to an eligible vehicle operating under, and in compliance with, a mass and dimension access authority issued under the HVNL.

**Table 1: Exemptions from prescribed vehicle standards**

<b>Column one Item number</b>	<b>Column two Component</b>	<b>Column three Relevant exempted section of Schedule 2 of the National Regulation</b>
1	Horns, alarms etc.	Section 11
2	Rear vision mirrors	Section 12
3	Headlights	Part 6, Division 3
4	Parking lights	Part 6, Division 4

5	Tail-lights	Part 6, Division 6
6	Number plate lights	Part 6, Division 7
7	Clearance lights	Part 6, Division 8
8	Side marker lights	Part 6, Division 9
9	Reflectors	Part 6, Division 15
10	Other lights, reflectors, rear marking plates or signals	Part 6, Division 17
11	Application of prescribed dimension requirements as a vehicle standard	Part 5, Section 34
12	What braking system a heavy motor vehicle must have	Section 88
13	Crank case gases	Section 94
14	Exhaust systems	Part 8, Division 2

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