

# Road Transport (General) Act 2005

## Notice under Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005

I, Brett Skinner, Acting Chief Executive of the Roads and Traffic Authority pursuant to Clause 29 of the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005*, do, by this notice, exempt from the mass limits set out both in Table 1 of Schedule 1 to the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005*, the vehicles described in Part 2 of the Schedule subject to any condition or requirement set out in that Schedule.

*Signed*

**Brett Skinner**  
**Acting Chief Executive**  
**Roads and Traffic Authority**

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### SCHEDULE

#### PART 1 — PRELIMINARY

##### 1.1 Citation

This Notice may be cited as the Concessional Mass Limits Notice 2006.

##### 1.2 Commencement

This Notice takes effect on 1 July 2006.

##### 1.3 Effect

This Notice remains in force until 30 September 2010, unless it is amended or repealed earlier.

##### 1.4 Interpretation

Unless stated otherwise, words and expressions used in this Notice have the same meaning as those defined in the Dictionary to the Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005 (the Regulation).

#### PART 2 — APPLICATION

##### 2.1 Application

2.1.1 This Notice applies to a vehicles or combinations, with the exception of vehicles or combinations described in Clause 2.1.2, complying with the requirements of Part 3 of this Notice, that are being operated by an operator accredited under the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module.

2.1.2 This Notices does not apply to:

- (a) Pig trailers or a combination containing one or more pig trailers; or
- (b) A truck and dog trailer combination operating under the General Class 3 Truck and Dog Trailer Combination Notice 2005; or
- (c) A Special Purpose Vehicle, an agricultural machine or agricultural implement, a low loader, a low loader dolly and a low loader, a jinker, or a low loader dolly and a jinker; or
- (d) A complying bus, an ultra-low floor bus, or an articulated ultra-low floor bus, or a bus licensed to carry standing passengers; or
- (e) A vehicle or combination operating under Clause 7 (Higher Mass Limits) of Schedule 1 to the Regulation.
- (f) A vehicle or combination operating under any other permit, Notice or other exemption that allows axle or axle group loads above those specified in Table 1 of Schedule 1 to the Regulation.

## **PART 3 — OPERATION AND TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS**

### **3.1 Total Mass limits – vehicles or combinations**

3.1.1 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies must not exceed the lowest of the following:

- (a) the sum of the axle and axle group mass limits in Clause 3.2.1, or
- (b) in the case of a bus or rigid truck—the vehicle’s GVM, or
- (c) the GCM limit specified by the prime mover manufacturer, or
- (d) the sum of the manufacturer’s mass limits for the prime mover (or rigid truck or bus) (GVM) and the trailer or trailers (GTM) it is towing, or
- (e) the applicable total mass limit under Clause 3.1.2 or Clause 3.1.3.

3.1.2 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies may exceed the total mass limit applicable to that vehicle or combination under the Regulation, or a Notice or permit made under the Regulation, by up to one tonne, where the otherwise applicable total mass limit does not exceed 55 tonnes.

3.1.3 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies may exceed the total mass limit applicable to that vehicle or combination under the Regulation, or a Notice or permit made under the Regulation, by up to two tonnes, where the otherwise applicable total mass limit exceeds 55 tonnes.

## 3.2 Axle and axle group mass limits

3.2.1 A vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies must not exceed the axle or axle group mass limits set out in Table 1.

**Table 1 - Mass limits for single axles and axle groups**

Description of single axle or axle group	Mass Limit (tonnes)
<b>STEER AXLE GROUPS</b>	
<b>Single steer axle</b> Single steer axle	6.0
<b>Twinsteer axle groups</b> Twinsteer axle group without a load-sharing suspension system	10.0
Twinsteer axle group with a load-sharing suspension system	11.0
<b>NON-STEER AXLE GROUPS</b>	
<b>Single axles and single axle groups</b> Single axle or single axle group fitted with single tyres with section width of:	
(a) less than 375 mm	6.0
(b) at least 375 mm but less than 450 mm	6.7
(c) at least 450 mm	7.0
Single axle or single axle group fitted with dual tyres	9.0
<b>Tandem axle groups</b> Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres with section width of:	
(a) less than 375 mm	11.5
(b) 375 mm or more but less than 450 mm	13.8
(c) 450 mm or more	14.5
Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres on one axle and dual tyres on the other axle	13.5
Tandem axle group fitted with dual tyres	17.0
<b>Tri-axle groups</b> Tri-axle group on a vehicle fitted with single tyres with section width of less than 375 mm on all axles, or single tyres on 1 or 2 axles and dual tyres on the other axle or axles	15.0
Tri-axle group with either single tyres with section width of at least 375 mm, dual tyres, or a combination of those tyres	21.0

## 3.4 Travel requirements

A vehicle or combination operating under this Notice may operate on all roads, except where prohibited by a load limit specified for a road, bridge or causeway by a sign or notice specified under Section 28 of the Road Transport (General) Act 2005.

### **3.5 Vehicle labels**

A label that indicates that the vehicle or combination is operating under the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module must be prominently displayed in the position required by the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module.

### **3.3 Notice to be carried**

A copy of this Notice, must be carried in the driving compartment of the vehicle and must be produced to a police officer or an authorised officer when requested.