

Road Transport (General) Act 2005

General Class 3 Notice made under Division 5 of Part 2 of the Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005

I, Mike Hannon, A/Chief Executive of the Roads and Traffic Authority, in pursuance of Division 5 of Part 2 of the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005*, do, by this Notice, exempt vehicles that are described in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Notice from the dimensions, in that Schedule, as set out in Schedule 4 to the *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998*, and clauses 8(1) and 9 of Schedule 1 to the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005*, subject to any conditions or requirements set out in the Schedule to this Notice.

Mike Hannon
A/Chief Executive
Roads and Traffic Authority

SCHEDULE

Part 1 – Preliminary

1.1 Citation

This Notice may be cited as the General Class 3 Fall Arrester Safety and Mechanical Tarping Systems Notice 2006.

1.2 Commencement

This Notice takes effect on the date of publication in the NSW Government Gazette.

1.3 Interpretations

Unless stated otherwise, words and expressions used in this notice that are defined in Part 4 of this Notice or the Dictionary forming part of the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005* have the same meanings as those set out in that Part or that Dictionary.

1.4 Effect

This Notice is only in force until 30 September 2010 unless it is amended or repealed earlier.

Part 2 – Application

2.1 This Notice applies to a Class 3 vehicle that:

- (a) was first registered prior to 1 July 2006; and
- (b) is retro-fitted with a fall arrester safety system or mechanical tarping system.

Part 3 – Dimension limits

- 3.1 The width of the vehicle including any part of the fall arrester safety system or mechanical tarping system referred to in Part 2 must not exceed 2.60 metres.
- 3.2 The width of the vehicle excluding any part of the fall arrester safety system or mechanical tarping system referred to in Part 2 must not exceed 2.50 metres.
- 3.3 The fall arrester safety system or mechanical tarping system must not protrude by more than 50mm on either side of the vehicle.
- 3.4 Any part of the vehicle that is wider than 2.50 metres must be more than 2.0 metres from the ground.
- 3.5 A mechanical arm used to wind a tarp in or out must be folded to either the front or rear of the vehicle body only.
- 3.6 Vehicles and loads must comply with all other dimension limits provided in the Regulations.

Part 4 – Operating requirements

4.1 Operating requirements

Unless stated otherwise, a Class 3 Vehicle retro-fitted with fall arrester safety system or mechanical tarping system operating under this Notice must comply with the provisions of the *Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005* and the *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 1998*.

4.2 Notice to be carried

A copy of this Notice, or an information sheet issued by the Roads and Traffic Authority setting out the obligations imposed under this Notice, must be carried in the driving compartment whenever the vehicle is operating as a Class 3 vehicle operating under this Notice and must be produced to a police officer or an authorised officer when requested.

Part 4 – Definitions

“Authorised Officer” means a person employed by the RTA as an enforcement officer.

“Fall Arrester Safety System” means a device fitted to a vehicle designed to eliminate or control the risk of a person falling from the top or side of the vehicle.

“Mechanical Tarping System” means a device fitted to the vehicle that is designed to cover the vehicle load with a tarp without requiring a person to climb up on the vehicle.