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Amendments to the Rules for Authorised Inspection Stations, Heavy Vehicles

Background

It has been brought to the attention of the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) that there has been some misinterpretation of rule 530.07 of the Rules for Authorised Inspection Stations, Heavy Vehicles. This rule specifies the requirements for the mounting and condition of safety chains on trailers.

Future editions of the manual will be amended to clarify this rule.

Procedure

Rule 530.07 b) is amended to confirm that safety chains may comply with either Table 530.03 or the provisions of ADR 62/00 as follows:

530.07 Check safety chains and cables

Reasons for rejection

- a) Safety chains or cables are stretched, nicked, frayed or cracked, extensively corroded or have insecure attachment points, clamps or fasteners.
- b) Any rigid drawbar pig type trailer with an aggregate trailer mass of 2.5 tonnes or more and manufactured on or after 1 July 1988 is not fitted with two safety chains complying with Table 530.03 or ADR 62/00 (where applicable).

Note: Rule 530.07 e) also indicates that safety chain retaining brackets may comply with either Table 530.04 or the provisions of ADR 62/00 (where applicable) .



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