

# Vehicle Inspectors Bulletin



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## RTA Heavy Vehicle Inspection Scheme

### Vehicles required to undergo an annual RTA Heavy Vehicle Inspection

The category of vehicles inspected under the RTA Heavy Vehicle Inspection Scheme (HVIS) has changed. Inspections are based on the vehicles Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) or Gross Trailer Mass (GTM) instead of tare weight.

The following vehicle types are required to undergo an annual inspection conducted by the RTA under the HVIS scheme:

- All prime movers.
- Rigid trucks over 12 tonnes GVM.
- Trailers over 4.5 tonnes GTM.
- Tow trucks (with the usage code of "TOW" and "TOWT").
- All public vehicles (excluding taxicabs, hire cars, wedding and mourning vehicles).
- Passenger-carrying vehicles with body shapes of BUS, SBS, FCV, PVS and PVF, or seating 10 or more passengers including the driver or with a GVM of more than 4.5 tonne, (regardless of usage).

### Vehicles unable to obtain an RTA HVIS inspection within the specified period

Changes to the RTA HVIS scheme reduce the time period between HVIS inspection and when the registration is renewed. The specified maximum time for this period is now three months.

When a vehicle that must be inspected by the RTA under the HVIS scheme cannot obtain an RTA HVIS inspection before the vehicle's registration expires, the registration may be renewed by obtaining a "passed inspection report" from an appropriate class of Authorised Inspection Station (AIS) or a Heavy Vehicle Authorised Inspection Station (HVAIS). Vehicles renewed this way will still require an RTA HVIS inspection within one month of the renewal.

If the operator fails to have an RTA HVIS inspection within one month, action to cancel the registration will commence.

For: • RTA Inspectors Vehicle Regulation • HVAIS Proprietors & Examiners • Engineering Signatories  
• RTA Registry Service Managers • AIS Proprietors & Examiners • AUVIS Proprietors & Examiners

## Inspections of taxicabs

The RTA no longer inspects taxicabs; this function is carried out by Authorised Taxi Inspection Stations (ATIS). To renew or establish the registration of taxicabs, the RTA requires a Taxi Inspection Report as well as either a pink or blue slip, whichever is appropriate. Currently the e-Safety Check on-line inspection scheme cannot be used for the inspection of taxicabs.

The ATIS scheme is the responsibility of the Ministry of Transport.

**Note:** All enquiries about ATIS should be directed to the NSW Taxi Council on (02) 9332 1266.



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