



Heavy Vehicle National Law

Queensland Class 3 Heavy Vehicle (Grain Harvest Management Scheme) Mass Exemption Notice 2019 (No. 1)

1. Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to allow for an efficient grain harvest and to protect the road infrastructure network through eliminating gross overloading by appropriate administrative procedures and compliance activities in accordance with the Queensland Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS).

Note: this notice replaces the *Queensland Class 3 Heavy Vehicle (Grain Harvest Management Scheme) Mass Exemption Notice 2016 (No. 1)*.

2. Authorising Provision

This notice is made under section 117 of the *Heavy Vehicle National Law*.

3. Title

This notice may be cited as the *Queensland Class 3 Heavy Vehicle (Grain Harvest Management Scheme) Mass Exemption Notice 2019*.

4. Commencement

This Notice commences on 1 July 2019

5. Expiry

This Notice expires on 30 June 2024.

6. Definitions

In this notice—

Agforce means AGForce Queensland Industrial Union of Employers, as registered under the *Industrial Relations Act 1999* (Qld).

approved GHMS receiver means—

- (a) the closest depot that is accepting the grain being delivered and that is operated by the same entity that is purchasing or has contracted to purchase the grain; or

- (b) another GHMS receiver approved by Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (QTMR).

Configuration Guide means the document of that name published by the NHVR that provides recognisable configurations referred to in this Notice.

Note: the Configuration Guide is available on the NHVR website, and also from AgForce.

eligible vehicle means a heavy vehicle that is —

- (a) of a recognisable configuration; and
- (b) making deliveries of grain, oil seeds or pulses directly from a farm to the nearest approved GHMS receiver.

Grain Harvest Management Scheme Accreditation Booklet means the booklet of that name published by the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR).

Note: the booklet is available on the AgForce website.

MDL National Regulation means the Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation.

recognisable configuration means a configuration provided for in the Vehicle Configuration Guide.

Note: the Configuration Guide is available on the NHVR website, and also from AgForce.

7. Application

This notice applies to eligible vehicles in Queensland.

8. Areas or routes to which this notice applies

This notice applies to all roads in Queensland except to the extent excluded by the *Grain Harvest Management Scheme Accreditation Booklet*.

9. Exemption from prescribed mass requirements

- (1) This notice exempts a vehicle to which it applies from the following general mass limits specified in Schedule 1 of the MDL National Regulation —
 - (a) Section 2(1)(a)(iv); and
 - (b) Section 2(1)(b); and
 - (c) Section 4; and
 - (d) Section 5(1), (2) and (3).

10. Condition - maximum permissible mass

- (1) The mass of an eligible vehicle operating under this notice must not be more than—
 - (a) 7.5% over general mass limit applying to the vehicle combination; and
 - (b) 10% over general mass limit applying to an axle or axle group mass for the vehicle; and
 - (c) notwithstanding (a) and (b), the manufacturer's rating for the vehicle.
- (2) An eligible vehicle is not entitled to have the benefit of a mass exemption in the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation* in addition to the concessional limits provided under this Notice.

Note— A table of truck configurations, code numbers and permitted mass limits is available on the NHVR website and from AgForce

- (3) A registered operator for an eligible vehicle must be registered with AgForce for the purposes of this notice.
- (4) An eligible vehicle must be operated in accordance with the requirements of the *Grain Harvest Management Scheme Accreditation Booklet*.
- (5) A person operating an eligible vehicle under this notice shall indemnify Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads and the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator and their employees, against any claim, action or process for any damage or injury due to the use of vehicles under this notice.

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