



## HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

### South Australia Adelaide Christmas Pageant Exemption Notice 2025 (No.1)

#### 1. Purpose

- (1) This notice grants exemptions from dimension requirements for class 1 or 3 heavy vehicles that is a Christmas Pageant float participating in the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.
- (2) This notice grants certain exemptions from vehicle standards requirements pursuant to the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation*.
- (3) This notice revokes and replaces the *South Australia Adelaide Christmas Pageant Exemption Notice 2023 (No.1)*.

#### 2. Authorising provision

- (1) This notice is made under the following provision of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL):
  - (a) section 61 – Regulator’s power to exempt category of heavy vehicles from compliance with heavy vehicle standard.
  - (b) section 117 – *Regulator’s power to exempt category of class 1 or 3 heavy vehicles from compliance with mass or dimension requirement.*
  - (c) section 23 of Schedule 1 – *Regulator’s power to amend or repeal instrument.*

#### 3. Title

This notice may be cited as the *South Australia Adelaide Christmas Pageant Exemption Notice 2025 (No.1)*.

#### 4. Commencement date

This notice commences on 1 August 2025.

#### 5. Expiry date

This notice expires on 31 July 2030.

## 6. Definitions

(1) Unless otherwise stated, words and expressions used in this notice have the same meanings as those in the HVNL and its regulations.

(2) In this notice:

**Christmas Pageant float** means a vehicle or combination, either self-propelled or towed by another vehicle, that is constructed and adorned for use in the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

**Storage facility** means the location where Christmas Pageant floats are held in storage when not in use for the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

## 7. Application

(1) This notice applies to a Class 1 or 3 heavy vehicle that is a Christmas Pageant float operating in South Australia for the purpose of the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

(2) This notice applies in South Australia.

(3) A heavy vehicle to which this section applies and that complies with the conditions of this notice is an eligible vehicle.

## 8. Exemption – Prescribed vehicle standards

(1) An eligible vehicle operating under this notice is exempt from the following requirements in Schedule 2 of the Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation:

- a) *Section 11 - Horns, alarms, etc.*
- b) *Section 12 - Rear vision mirrors*
- c) *Section 39 - Headlights to be fitted to vehicles*
- d) *Section 45 - Parking lights*
- e) *Section 47 - Tail lights*
- f) *Section 51 - Number plate lights*
- g) *Section 52 - Front clearance lights*
- h) *Section 55 - Side marker lights*
- i) *Section 59 - Fitting brake lights*
- j) *Section 62 - Direction indicator lights*
- k) *Section 69 - Reflectors generally*
- l) *Section 70 - Rear reflectors*
- m) *Section 73 - Compulsory front reflectors on particular trailers*
- n) *Section 83 - Turn Signals*
- o) *Section 88 - What braking system a heavy motor vehicle must have*
- p) *Section 94 - Crank case gases*
- q) *Section 99 - Exhaust systems*

## **9. Exemption – Prescribed dimension requirements**

- (1) An eligible vehicle is exempt from the following dimension requirements under Schedule 6 of the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass Dimension and Loading) National Regulation* (MDL Regulation):
  - (a) section 7 – Width
  - (b) section 13 – Front and side projection of load
- (2) An exemption in (1) only applies to the extent that specific conditional dimension limits are provided in section 10 of this notice.

## **10. Condition – Width**

- (1) An eligible vehicle must not exceed 4.9m in width.
- (2) The width in this section is inclusive of side projection of any load.

## **11. Condition – Escort provisions**

All movements by an eligible vehicle under this notice must be under the supervision and direction of a police escort.

## **12. Conditions – Time of travel**

Operation under this notice is restricted to the hours between sunrise and sunset on the day or days necessary to take part in the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

## **13. Condition – Stated areas or routes**

- (1) An eligible vehicle is authorised to operate on the Adelaide Christmas Pageant Route and between the Adelaide Christmas Pageant Route and its Storage Facility, including return journeys.
- (2) For the purposes of section 119 (1)(a) of the HVNL, an area or route stated in a schedule is a stated area or route to which this notice applies.
- (3) In this notice a reference to a **network** is a reference to a map or stated route pursuant to section 119(2) of the HVNL.
- (4) An eligible vehicle operating on an area or route specified in a schedule must comply with any of the following conditions prescribed for that area or route:
  - (a) Road conditions pursuant to section 160 of the HVNL; and
  - (b) Travel conditions pursuant to section 161 of the HVNL; and
  - (c) Vehicle conditions pursuant to section 162 of the HVNL.

*Note: The Adelaide Christmas Pageant Route is available on the Christmas Pageant website.  
The route may be updated from time to time by the Pageant organisers or South  
Australia Police.*

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