



HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND VICTORIA HEAVY VEHICLE STANDARDS (BUS BICYCLE RACK)
EXEMPTION NOTICE 2021 (No.1)

1. Purpose

- (1) The purpose of this Notice is to exempt a heavy vehicle to which it applies from certain requirements of the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation* (the National Regulation).
- (2) This Notice revokes and replaces the *Australian Capital Territory Heavy Vehicle Standards (Bus Bicycle Rack) Exemption Notice 2019 (No. 1)*.

Note: *This Notice is not an access authorisation. This Notice only provides Vehicle Standards exemptions, and does not authorise access to the road network. To gain access to the road network, a vehicle must comply with a current access authorisation, either under Gazetted Notice or under permit.*

2. Authorising Provision

This Notice is made under section 61 of the *Heavy Vehicle National Law* (the National Law) as in force in the Australian Capital Territory and Victoria.

3. Title

This Notice may be cited as the *Australian Capital Territory and Victoria Heavy Vehicle Standards (Bus Bicycle Rack) Exemption Notice 2021*.

4. Commencement

This Notice commences on 8 March 2021

5. Expiry

This Notice expires on 28 February 2026.

6. Definitions

Unless otherwise stated, words and expressions used in this Notice have the same meanings as those defined in the National Law.

In this Notice –

Fleet number means the last three numerals of a bus's registration number.

Bicycle rack means a rack capable of carrying two bicycles fitted to the front of a bus.

Bike rack bus means:

- (a) For busses operated in the ACT, a bus operated by ACTION and fitted with a bicycle rack.
- (b) For busses operated in Victoria, a bus operated by an accredited bus operator or registered bus operator as defined in the *Bus Safety Act 2009 (Vic)* and fitted with a bicycle rack.

7. Application

- (1) This Notice applies in the Australian Capital Territory and Victoria only.
- (2) This Notice applies to a Bike rack bus that does not comply with an ADR requirement as mentioned in Section 8 of this Notice as a result of the fitment of a Bicycle rack.

8. Exemption from Prescribed Vehicle Standards

A Bike rack bus is exempt from Schedule 1, section 2 (1) of the National Regulation insofar as it requires compliance with an Australian Design Rule (ADR) listed in Column two of Table 1, from the subclause listed in column four.

Table 1.

Column 1	Column 3	Column 2	Column 4
Item	Component	Component ADR	Exempt subclause of ADR
1	Installation of Lighting and Light Signalling Devices	13/00	Inward light projection angles in accordance with clauses, 6.1.5, 6.2.5, 6.3.5 and 6.5.5.1 Appendix A
2	General Safety Requirements	92/00	External protrusions in accordance with clauses 5.1 (a)
3	Vehicle Configuration and Dimensions	43/04	Total length of vehicle in accordance with clause 6.1.1.1
4	Vehicle Marking	61/02	Visibility of number plate in accordance with clause 9.1.1.3

Note: The Australian design rules may be updated from time to time. The exemptions listed above are current at the time of publication and apply equally to both earlier and later iterations of an ADR that a vehicle is required to comply with.

9. Conditions

- (1) A vehicle operating under this Notice must maintain sufficient light projection so as to provide adequate visual awareness of the area immediately forward of the vehicle in all operating conditions.
- (2) A vehicle operating under this Notice in the ACT must display the fleet number on the right and left side of the front of the bus beneath the corner of the windscreen.
- (3) A vehicle operating under this Notice in Victoria, the accredited or registered bus operator must attach an additional number plate to the bike rack that is visible when the rack is in the deployed position.

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