

## General information

This form is to be used by applicants (either heavy vehicle owners or registered operators) seeking In-principle support from the NHVR, which is required by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development (Commonwealth) to approve the importation of a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV). A SPV is a nonstandard road vehicle that does not comply with the Vehicle Standards.

The information submitted on this form will also be used by the NHVR to generate the permit required for registration of the heavy vehicle, should the In-principle support be granted.

For further information on permits required for operation of the heavy vehicle, please refer to the NHVR website or contact the NHVR office. Contact details are at the end of this form.

## Before you begin

- Details for each individual heavy vehicle included in this application must be provided. An assessment of the application will not commence until all information is provided by the applicant.
- If you are nominating a third party to act on your behalf you MUST complete Section 2 of this form and sign the application declaration.
- Applications should be comprehensive and include any additional information which will assist with the assessment of the application.
- If additional space is required to complete a section, please include this in a separate document referencing the relevant section and part number i.e. 3.1 Vehicle details.

## If this application is for:

- multiple heavy vehicles which are identical – only a single application is required
- multiple heavy vehicles which are different – a separate application for each vehicle is required.

**All fields must be completed unless otherwise instructed.**

**Inspection services provided by a registering authority may incur a fee.**

**All the submitted engineering drawings, schematics, tests and reports must be in English.**

Regulator Customer Number (RCN)

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## Section 1

### 1.1 Applicant details

(Applicant must be the vehicle owner or the registered operator)  
Applicant to sign at the end of this form.

Applicant's name

Applicant's title/position

Company name

Australian Company Number (ACN) (ACN is not required for individuals)

Trading as name (if applicable)

Registered company address (or Business address for individual)

	State	Postcode
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Postal address

	State	Postcode
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Phone number

Fax number

Mobile phone number

Email address

Preferred method of contact (please select one only)

Phone

Email

Fax

Post

Mobile

## Section 2

### 2.1 Third party consent

By completing this section you authorise the nominated person to act on your behalf in regards to this application.

Name of nominated person

Company (if applicable)

Business phone number

Business fax number

Mobile phone number

Email address

Preferred method of contact (please select one only)

Phone

Mobile

Fax

Email

## Section 3

### 3.1 Vehicle details

Complete the table below with the details for each heavy vehicle included in this application. Details for additional heavy vehicles may be supplied as an attachment.

Registered operator name (if not applicant)	Registration number (if applicable)	State of registration	Line 1: VIN or Chassis number																			
			Line 2: Identification plate approval number (if applicable)																			

Month and year of manufacture (mmyyyy)	Make	Model	Body type	TARE (kg)	GVM (kg)	ATM (kg)	GCM (kg)

### 3.2 Loaded axle mass and spacing

Using the table provide the following details for each axle group details.

Axle	Number of tyres	Load sharing axle group (yes/ no)	Steerable axle (tick if applicable)	Distance from previous axle (m)	Ground contact width* (m)	Tyre size and description	Manufacturer's maximum axle group rating (kg)	Manufacturer's maximum suspension rating (kg)	Axle mass requested (kg)
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
6									
7									
8									
9									

\*Ground contact width means, the outermost distance between the ground contact point of the outside tyres on each axle being measured.

### 3.3 Dimensions

Using the table below provide the following details.  
(all figures to be provided to 2 decimal places).

Width (m)	Length (m)	Height (m)	Forward projection (m)	Rear overhang (m)

**Forward projection measurement:** For a Special Purpose Vehicle, the distance from the centre of the steering wheel position of the vehicle to the foremost extremity in front of the vehicle. For any other heavy vehicle, the distance forward of the vehicles’ headlights to the foremost extremity of the vehicle.

**Rear overhang measurement:** The distance from the rear overhang line of the rear axle group of the vehicle to the rearmost extremity of the vehicle.

### 3.4 Trailer dimensions

Using the table below provide the following details.

Dimension (mm)	Dog Trailer	Pig Trailer	Semi-trailer
Drawbar length			N/A
Wheelbase		N/A	N/A
Forward loading space	N/A		N/A
Rear overhang			
Point of articulation to rear of trailer	N/A	N/A	
Point of articulation to line from where rear overhang is measured	N/A	N/A	
Radius forward of trailer kingpin (includes any fittings e.g. refrigeration unit)	N/A	N/A	
Deck height	N/A	N/A	

Description of vehicle (e.g. 5 axle crane with boom reversed on to a 3 axle dolly). Include photos of the vehicle where available.

### 3.5 Steering control

Left hand/Dual Control

Steering Operation method (please select one only)

Cable                      Hydraulic                      Mechanical linkage

Is a steering warning device fitted?

Yes                      No

**If the vehicle is fitted with a full hydraulic steering system a report must be provided describing how the system operates.**

## Section 4

### 4.1 Area of non-compliance

Provide the specific details of the area of non-compliance for which the In-principle Support is being sought (which Vehicle Standards are the heavy vehicle(s) not compliant?) and sufficient information for the vehicle’s access to the road to be assessed.

**Attach relevant engineering drawings, schematics, photos, tests and reports for each heavy vehicle about non-compliance to the Vehicle Standards and include swept path diagrams for over-dimension vehicles.**

### 4.2 Existing modification approvals

If the heavy vehicle has been previously modified please complete the details below. Include a copy of each modification certificate, engineer’s report or approval letter if applicable.

Modification plate number	Modification certificate number	Modification code number(s)	Jurisdiction of issue

### 4.3 Identification plate approval (including any Second Stage of Manufacture IPA)

If the vehicle(s) has undergone a second stage of manufacture please provide the Identification Plate Approval number.

Original IPA (if applicable)






SSM IPA (if applicable)

## Section 5

### 5.1 General permit requirements

5.1.1 Describe the purpose for which the heavy vehicle(s) have been built. What business reason have the heavy vehicle(s) been built/intended to be built that way (justification) e.g. drilling rig/concrete pump?

5.1.2 Why should an approval be considered? Are there other types of compliant heavy vehicles on the market that would be fit for purpose?

5.1.3 Identify the location each heavy vehicle is intended to be registered and used (what access is being sought – general/area of operation/restricted access?).

# (Special Purpose Vehicle) In-principle support application

## Forms checklist

Before submitting this application, please complete the following checklist:

Listed and recorded each of the vehicles included in the application and the specific vehicle details for each of those vehicles.

Attached all the relevant engineer's reports, photos, diagrams or schematics for each individual vehicle listed in the application.

Completed and signed the declaration section of the form.

If the application is being made through a modifier, engineer, Approved Vehicle Examiner or another third party, ensure that both Section 1 and Section 2 of the application have been completed.

## Contact details

Send completed application and supporting information by Mail, Fax or Email to the details listed below.

Mail National Heavy Vehicle Regulator  
Vehicle Standards Unit  
PO Box 492  
Fortitude Valley QLD 4006

Fax 1300 736 798

Email [vehiclestandards@nhvr.gov.au](mailto:vehiclestandards@nhvr.gov.au)

To contact the Vehicle Standards team

Phone Number 1300 MYNHVR (1300 696 487)  
Standard 1300 call charges apply  
Please check with the phone service provider

Office Hours 7:00am - 5:00pm (AEST)

Website [www.nhvr.gov.au](http://www.nhvr.gov.au)

## Privacy statement

The NHVR is collecting your personal information to issue a **Vehicle Standards exemption (permit)** under Chapter 3 of the Heavy Vehicle National Law. We are authorised under this Act to collect information we reasonably require to decide this application.

We may disclose protected information contained in your application for the purposes set out in section 727 of the Act to an entity (including a private or public sector entity) identified in that section. This can include disclosure to an authorised employee or agent of the entity.

We may disclose protected information to a law enforcement agency, including a service provider authorised to enforce the Heavy Vehicle National Law nationally. A police agency may disclose protected information disclosed to or otherwise held by it to another police agency authorised to hold protected information.

## Applicant declaration

I hereby declare that all details provided in this application are true and correct. Giving false and misleading information is a serious offence (Section 702 Heavy Vehicle National Law). Penalties apply.

Applicant's name

Title/position

Applicant's signature

If providing an electronic signature please consent to the following:

I accept the electronic signature has the same status as a signed signature.

Date signed