

NSW – Mobile Crane Alternate Configuration Journey Permit Scheme

This document provides information on the operation of mobile cranes operators who currently hold an annual IAP Mobile Crane Permit issued by the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).

A mobile crane Alternate Configuration Journey Permit allows a mobile crane to travel at a mass different to the approved mass limit described in the IAP Mobile Crane Permit and the Special Purpose Vehicle Approval or Special Purpose Vehicle Exemption.

What is covered on the Journey Permit?

An Alternate Configuration journey permit may be required to access a road or zone that is

- Not on the approved network associated with the Annual IAP Mobile Crane Permit, or
- Listed in the *Approved Routes and Travel Restrictions* document available on RMS' website www.rms.nsw.gov.au as outlined in Appendix 2 of the current Class 1 Special Purpose Vehicle Notice for the purposes of travel for a mobile crane.

Where travel is on roads or assets that are not the responsibility of RMS, statutory permit conditions require that the operator must ensure that all other road managers provide written consent to their road access request.

Pilots/Police Escort requirements

An Alternate Configuration journey permit may require you to travel with Pilots or a Police escort and is determined according to the following criteria

- The dimensions and characteristics of the crane, and
- The route to be followed, and
- The requested date or time of travel, and
- The nature of any structures on the route.

Other conditions

- A registered operator of a mobile crane, applying for this permit must be enrolled and participating in RMS 'Intelligent Access Program (IAP)'.
- A mobile crane Alternate Configuration Journey Permit application must include a certified weigh bridge ticket that is dated a maximum of three days prior to the date the application is received by RMS.

- There is no guarantee that a permit will be issued for travel on the requested route where no precedent exists for a vehicle of similar configuration and mass. A route investigation carried out by RMS at your cost may be required to assess the route.
- Vehicle dimensions will always be rounded up to one (1) decimal place - (e.g. 2.55m will be shown as 2.60 metres). Axle ground contact width will always be rounded down to (1) decimal place (e.g. 2.56m will be shown as 2.50 metres).
- A permit can only be issued for a crane that is registered.
- A permit can only be issued for a crane mass up to its recorded Gross Vehicle Mass.

Areas of operation

New South Wales

In NSW access is provided by permits issued by the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).

Other states and Territories

This policy does not apply.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the maximum period issued for an Alternate Configuration journey permit?

14 Days.

More information

Refer to the "Mobile Crane Journey Permit Scheme information sheet" found on the NHVR's website.

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How do I apply for a permit?

1. Go to www.service.nhvr.gov.au and if not already registered, follow the prompts to set up an account.
2. Once registered, from the home screen, click on the 'Application tracker' tile in the centre of the top row or on the Menu bar.
3. Click on the 'New Application' button (on the right).
4. A window will pop up, please enter your reference (this should be a reference relevant to you).
5. Click on the green 'Select Configuration' button and then click on the heading 'Permit Schemes'.
6. Select the '*NSW – Alternate configuration journey permit*' as applicable by clicking on the image or scheme title:
 - *All terrain cranes permit scheme*
 - *Pick and carry crane permit scheme*
 - *Truck mounted cranes permit scheme*
7. Complete all the fields in the 'Vehicle' step of the permit application and then select the 'Next' button located at the bottom of the page to move onto the Route step of the application.

Note - Ensure you select the crane that you are using by navigating through the components list located on the 'Component' sub tab.
8. Navigate through the rest of the application completing all mandatory information and attaching any supporting documentation.
9. Follow the prompts to confirm your contact details and complete payment for your application.