

Information Sheet

South Australia Class 3 Baled Commodity Exemption Notice 2019

Background

South Australian heavy vehicle notices that transitioned on the commencement of the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL) in South Australia are due to expire on 9 February 2019.

These notices have been re-drafted to ensure that access to the South Australia road network is maintained and the conditions that apply to the operation of vehicles operating under the notice are consistent with the HVNL.

This information sheet outlines the re-making of notices related to the transport of baled commodities in South Australia.

List of Affected Notices

A new notice titled **South Australia Class 3 Baled Commodity Exemption Notice 2019** has been developed to consolidate the transport task into a single notice and harmonise access and operating conditions for eligible vehicles. The new notice replaces the following SA transitioned notices and incorporates access previously provided under permit based schemes:

1	Operation of B-double vehicles carting rectangular Baled Hay loaded to a height of 4.6m
2	Transport of Large Rectangular Baled Hay
3	Exemption for the transport of baled wool and/or baled hay to exceed a width of 2.5 metres
4	Exemption for articulated motor vehicles transporting baled wool to exceed a height of 4.3 metres

Table 1: Original Notices

The development of this notice is consistent with exemptions provided in New South Wales and Victoria.

The new Notice can be downloaded [here](#).

Eligible Vehicles

The following vehicles are eligible to operate under the new notice:

- Rigid trucks fitted with a tandem drive axle group and operated without a trailer; or
- Articulated vehicles where the prime mover is fitted with a tandem drive axle group and the semi-trailer is fitted with either a tandem or triaxle group; or
- B-Double; or
- Modular B-Triples
- Type 1 and Type 2 Road Trains.

What Has Changed?

Outlined below is a summary of changes:

- Alignment of allowable dimensions such as width and height for the transport of baled hay and wool for all eligible vehicles
 - Transport of rectangular bales up to 2.75m wide and 4.6m high
 - Transport of round bales up to 3.5m wide on eligible vehicles up to 19m in length
- The incorporation of all heavy vehicle combinations, commodities and bale formats under a single combined notice
- Inclusion of night travel for eligible vehicles up to 3.1m wide and 22m long on road networks managed by participating road managers. Participating Road Managers are outlined in the *Information Bulletin – Areas or routes of operation in South Australia – Night Travel up to 3.1m wide or 22m long* published on the ‘Approved Areas or Routes’ section at www.sa.gov.au/heavyvehicles.
- Route and structure restrictions have been removed from the notice and are published in the *Information Bulletin – Consolidated Table of Limited Access Locations in South Australia* published on the ‘Approved Areas or Routes’ section at www.sa.gov.au/heavyvehicles.
- Removal of requirement to carry the notice

- Minor amendments applied to reflect the NHVR's drafting style.

What Has Not Changed?

Conditions relating to approved routes and travel conditions remain unchanged.

Transport of Sheaved Hay - Retired

The *Exemption for the transport of sheaved hay to exceed a width of 2.5 metres* has been retired as it does not comply with the loading requirements of the HVNL.

Should an operator continue to require an exemption to transport sheaved hay in South Australia, the DPTI Heavy Vehicle Access Policy and Reform team can be contacted on the details below.

Operator Compliance Responsibility

While the new Notice is not required to be carried under the HVNL, operators are encouraged to read and become familiar with the document as it is a legal requirement to comply with the conditions when operating under the Notice.

Contact the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure

For clarification on any of the information outlined above, the DPTI Heavy Vehicle Access Policy and Reform team can be contacted per below:

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