Information Sheet
South Australia Class 1 Agricultural Vehicle Mass and Dimension Exemption Notice 2019
South Australia Class 1 Rubber Tracked Tractor Mass and Dimension Exemption Notice 2019

Background
South Australian heavy vehicle notices that transitioned on the commencement of the Heavy Vehicle National Law 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 operation of oversize or overmass agricultural vehicles driven on roads and the operation of rubber tracked tractors in South Australia.

List of Affected Notices
The new notices retain the current access arrangements for the operation of these vehicles in South Australia and will remain in effect until such time as a National Agricultural Vehicle Notice is published:

1. South Australia Class 1 Agricultural Vehicle Mass and Dimension Exemption Notice 2019 (No.1)
2. South Australia Class 1 Rubber Tracked Tractor Mass and Dimension Exemption Notice 2019 (No.1)

Table 1: New Notices

The new notices replace the following SA transitioned notices:

1. Notice of approval and exemption - Oversize or Overmass Agricultural Vehicles Driven on Roads
2. Operation of Rubber Tracked Tractors with a Gross Vehicle Mass up to 24 tonnes

Table 2: Original Notices

Eligible Vehicles
The following vehicles are eligible to operate under the new notices:
- Tractors used for agricultural purposes
- Agricultural machines
- Agricultural machines towing agricultural implements
- Agricultural combinations
- Rubber tracked tractors

What Has Changed?
Outlined below is a summary of changes:
- Inclusion of night travel on road networks managed by participating road managers
- Removal of the requirement to carry the notice
- Minor amendments applied to reflect the NHVR's drafting style.

Night Travel
Night travel has been available under permit since 2016 for agricultural vehicles and rubber tracked tractors driven on roads. This concession has now been incorporated into the revised notices.

Operators will be able to move eligible vehicles at night in the Adelaide Hills and Country Zones up to the following dimensions:
- 3.7 m wide and up to 19.0 m long – Adelaide Hills (Zone 3)
- 4.0 m wide and up to 25.0 m long – Country (Zone 4).

More information relating to operating at night including conditions are published on the ‘Approved Areas or Routes’ section at www.sa.gov.au/heavyvehicles:
- Information Bulletin – Night Travel for Agricultural Machinery – Approved Council Areas
- Information Bulletin – Night Travel for Rubber Tracked Tractors – Approved Route Networks.
What Has Not Changed?

The new notices continue to reference the existing Code of Practice for Oversize and Overmass Agricultural Vehicles and Code of Practice for Rubber Tracked Tractors up to 24 tonnes which outline the areas of operation and conditions of access.

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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