

Return of Class 1 Special Purpose Vehicle Delegations in NSW – Road Manager Information Sheet

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) coordinates a range of access applications from start to finish. This involves liaising directly with Road Managers, both state and territory road authorities and local governments, to manage applications and issue permits.

This document provides information about the return of the New South Wales Class 1 Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) Delegations and what changes will occur as a result.

Background

In February 2014, the NHVR delegated permit authority to the Chief Executive of each participating state and territory governments. The implementation of delegation applied to mass or dimension exemptions (permits) for roads within the state or territory government's physical boundary. Within NSW, delegation was also made to local councils for intrastate Class 1 applications.

The NHVR is working towards returning the delegation and fully transitioning the heavy vehicle road access permit process to the regulator. Tasmania, South Australia, ACT, and Victoria have already completed the transition as well as Class 3 and Agricultural delegations in New South Wales.

What will change?

Application process

The NHVR is implementing a staged approach for the Class 1 return of delegations. Agricultural vehicles were returned to the regulator on the 30 April 2019 and the SPV return is scheduled from the 31 July 2019.

From 31 July 2018, transport operators will need to submit all Class 1 SPV road access permits to the NHVR via the NHVR Portal.

The NHVR will then process the applications, and seek consent from Road Manager(s) using the NHVR Portal.

Once a decision is received from the Road Manager(s), the NHVR will then issue the permit (or refusal) to the operator using the NHVR Portal.

Previous applications

Class 1 SPV permit applications submitted directly to Road Manager(s) within NSW, prior to the 31 of July

2019, will continue to be processed and completed directly.

The NHVR is unable to accept or transfer applications that were received by road managers before 31 July 2019.

Next Steps

The regulator is continuing to work towards the return of the remaining Class 1 Oversize and Overmass (OSOM) vehicle delegation by the end of 2019.

In the interim, a Council is still able to process and issue OSOM permits directly to customers as per current procedures.

Table 2 - Permit application process as of 31 July 2019.

Special Purpose Vehicles	OSOM Vehicles
<p>Operator submits applications via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHVR Portal 	<p>Operator submits applications via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHVR Portal Roads and Maritime Services Local councils A combination of the above.

Benefits

The return of New South Wales Class 1 delegations will mean that all permit applications will be processed through one system. The NHVR is continuing to improve the access permit process with the online NHVR Portal.

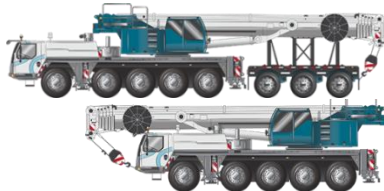
Some of the key benefits of the NHVR Road Manager Portal include:

- A consistent approach to processes across jurisdictions
- All council applications will be stored in one place
- Ability to view all of the council's current and previous application requests (since Oct 2017) via the case tracker
- Integrated route planner
- Reporting abilities on all application requests from October 2017 onwards
- Conditions library reduces the time needed to impose conditions.

How can I identify if an application is a Special Purpose Vehicle?

Please refer to section 116 of the [Heavy Vehicle National Law](#) for additional information on Special Purpose Vehicles. Please refer below for common Special Purpose Vehicles:

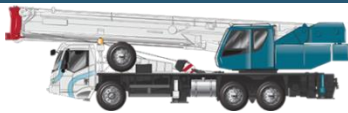
All Terrain Crane



Pick and Carry Crane



Truck Mounted Crane



Truck Mounted Drill Rig



Truck Mounted Concrete Pump



Grader



FAQ's

Is New South Wales the first state to return this function to the NHVR?

No, Tasmania, South Australia, Australian Capital Territory, and Victoria have already transitioned their permit processing to the NHVR. In NSW the Class 3 delegation was returned in December 2018 and the Class 1 agricultural delegation was returned in April 2019.

Will I be able to access council issued SPV permits in the Portal?

SPV permits that have been issued by the NSW State Authority or Local council will not be stored or accessed via the NHVR Portal. The NHVR Portal will only record the permits issued by the NHVR.

Can I transfer my outstanding SPV applications to the NHVR for processing?

No, unfortunately, all applications that were submitted directly to the Road Manager(s), prior to the 31 of July 2019, must continue to be processed and completed by the Road Manager(s). Therefore these applications will not be viewed or processed via the NHVR Portal.

Are applicants still able to apply to Council direct for Class 1 OSOM permits?

Yes, until the return of OSOM delegations, NSW councils will still hold delegate authority to issue Class 1 OSOM heavy vehicle permits directly to customers.

Will I still be able to provide an applicant with a Council Clearance Authority Letter?

Yes, NSW council's will still be able to supply an applicant with a Council [Clearance Authority Letter](#). This will mean that once the customer submits their application to the NHVR with a valid clearance letter attached, additional council consent will not be sought and a permit can be issued.

Can I get help and support with the NHVR Road Manager Portal?

- ✓ **NHVR Portal Help Centre**
The Road Manager Help Centre located on the top right-hand corner of the Portal provides training material, videos, articles, and FAQs.
- ✓ **Road Manager Hotline**
A dedicated Road Manager Hotline is available to assist within business hours on **1300 880 493**.
- ✓ **Hypercare Team**
The NHVR have a team that specialise in everything Portal. They can be reached on **1300 696 487** and will be able to assist you with Road Manager functions within the Portal.

For additional information

For additional information and upcoming events or training sessions, please visit the Delegations Project web page at:

<https://www.nhvr.gov.au/road-access/access-management/delegations-project>

For more information:

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