

### National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme (NHVAS) Notifiable Occurrence reporting (from 22 February 2021)

#### What is a NHVAS Notifiable Occurrence?

A **significant or major** accident or incident that involves a NHVAS nominated vehicle and or driver operating under an Advance Fatigue Management (AFM) or Basic Fatigue Management (BFM) accreditation that has, or could have, caused significant property damage, serious injury or death and may include any of the following:

- An accident or incident involving a NHVAS-nominated vehicle or driver in which a person is injured<sup>\*</sup> or killed
- An accident or incident involving a NHVAS-nominated vehicle, or a driver operating under an AFM or BFM
- A fire in a NHVAS-nominated vehicle
- Medical emergency involving the driver of a NHVASnominated vehicle or a driver operating under an AFM or BFM accreditation.

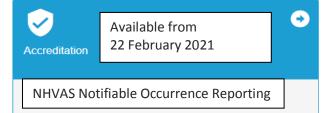
Note: Workplace slips, trips & falls are not notifiable occurrences. \*An injury requiring hospitalisation.

# What's the difference between significant and major?

- A **significant** accident or incident involves injuries requiring hospitalisation and/or damage to property which presents a significant risk that requires considerable effort to avoid escalation of the impact during recovery
- A major accident or incident involves a fatality and/or damage to property with a major impact on life, property or the environment generally accompanied by a high-level emergency response and clean-up and recovery operation.

#### How to report a Notifiable Occurrence?

• By using the NHVR Portal's Accreditation section to notify the regulator about the accident or incident.



#### What details must be in the report?

- Only details relating to the NHVAS-nominated vehicle or drivers under AFM or BFM accreditation.
- Personal details relating to drivers are not requested or recorded
- Choose from answers provided for the pre-formatted questions for the body of the report
- Vehicle registration numbers are matched where possible using the NHVAS vehicle database
- For vehicles not matched, vehicle details will need to be reported.

## How soon after an incident does the report need to be submitted?

Incident Category	Submitted
Significant – Involving dangerous goods	Within 48 hours
Significant – any other	Within 7 days
Major – involving dangerous goods	Within 24 hours
Major – any other	Within 48 hours

#### Why the need for reporting?

The information provided to the NHVR in relation to a significant or major accident or incident that involves a NHVAS-nominated vehicle and or information about operating under an AFM or BFM accreditation is gathered for data collection and analytical purposes. The data provides reliable statistical outcomes that the NHVR can use to inform the transport industry of any wider spread of safety-related concerns. This information will assist the NHVR to provide guidance to the Transport Industry regards safety.

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