



HEAVY VEHICLE NATIONAL LAW

Queensland Higher Mass Limits Declaration 2019 (No.1)

1) Purpose

- 1) The purpose of this Declaration is to authorise heavy vehicles eligible to use Higher Mass Limits (HML) on stated areas and routes, during stated hours of stated days and to state the conditions under which they may be used.

Note: The Queensland Higher Mass Limits Operator's Guide (Operator's Guide) provides more information for operation under this Declaration. The Operator's Guide is maintained and published by the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR).

2) Authorising Provision

- 1) This Declaration is made under section 12 of the Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation (the National Regulation).

3) Title

- 1) This Declaration may be cited as the Queensland Higher Mass Limits Declaration 2019 (No.1).

4) Commencement

- 1) This Declaration commences on 10 February 2019.

5) Expiry

- 1) This Declaration expires on 10 February 2024.

6) Definitions

- 1) Unless otherwise stated, words and expressions used in this Declaration have the same meanings as those defined in the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL).

- 2) In this Declaration:

Intelligent Access Program conditions (IAP conditions) have the meaning provided under Chapter 7 of the HVNL.

Performance based standards (PBS) have the same meaning provided under Chapter 1 of the HVNL.

7) Application

- 1) This Declaration applies to an eligible vehicle operating in Queensland that complies with the provisions of this Declaration.

8) Eligible Vehicles

- 1) An eligible vehicle operating under this Notice means:
 - a) A heavy vehicle that complies with the HML requirements in Schedule 5 of the National Regulation.
 - b) PBS vehicle approved to operate at HML.
- 2) As an exception to 1), a vehicle that is a bus may not operate under this Notice.

9) Conditions – Tri-drive prime mover restriction in a B-double and road train combinations

- 1) Access for tri-drive prime movers in a B-double or a road train combination is not authorised under this Declaration.
- 2) In this section, tri-drive prime mover means a prime mover with a drive axle group consisting of three axles, all of which are in contact with the road.

10) Conditions - Stated areas or routes

- 1) An eligible vehicle operating in Queensland may access the following network:
 - a) A HML vehicle of a category stated in Column 1 of Table 2 is authorised to be used on the stated areas or routes set out in Column 2.
 - b) A HML vehicle that is a 23 metre B-double may operate on connecting 23 and 25 metre B-double and road train routes to a radial distance of 500m from the National Road Network in Queensland.
 - c) A HML vehicle that is a 25 or 26 metre B-double may operate on connecting 25 metre B-double and road train routes to a radial distance of 500m from the National Road Network in Queensland.
 - d) A HML vehicle that is a Type 1 road train may operate on connecting road train routes to a radial distance of 500m from the National Road Network in Queensland.
 - e) A HML vehicle that is a Type 2 road train may operate on connecting Type 2 road train routes to a radial distance of 500m from the National Road Network in Queensland.

Table 2-Routes and areas for eligible HML vehicles

Column 1	Column 2
Vehicle Category	Routes or areas authorised for HML
General Access	A general access vehicle may only use routes for Higher Mass Limits
B-double	A B-double may only use the routes and areas that are approved for both: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Mass Limits; and • Multi-combination routes
Type 1 road train	A Type 1 road train may use the routes and areas that are approved for both: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Mass Limits; and • Road train routes
Type 2 road train	A Type 2 road train may use the routes and areas that are approved for both: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Mass Limits; and • Type 2 Road train routes
PBS vehicle	A PBS vehicle may use the routes and areas that are approved for both: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Mass Limits; and • Approved PBS routes as per approval

Note: Queensland Networks approved under this Declaration can be located on the Queensland Globe website, published and maintained by the Queensland Government.

11) Conditions – Intelligent access program (IAP)

- 1) Intelligent Access Program (IAP) is authorised and regulated by Chapter 7 of the Heavy Vehicle National Law, (HVNL). It allows heavy vehicles to have access, or improved access to the road network in return for monitoring, by an intelligent transport system, of their compliance with stated access conditions.
 - a) Vehicle/s must have an Intelligent Transport System (ITS) approved by Transport Certification Australia (TCA) installed for the purpose of the IAP, for use by an IAP service provider to monitor the relevant monitoring matters for an intelligent access program vehicle.
 - b) Each vehicle is subject to monitoring of the following by an ITS used by an IAP service provider:
 - i. the roads on which the vehicle is to be used on those routes and networks indicated in the Queensland HML Network
 - ii. the times when the vehicle may be driven on the road under this notice
 - iii. the maximum speed at which the vehicle may be driven on the road under this notice
 - iv. any other information as agreed between the operator and the IAP service provider including vehicle mass and configuration, system malfunctions, tampering and speed.

12) Conditions - Self Declaration

- 1) If an Approved Intelligent Transport System utilises a Self-Declared Input Device (SDID), the relevant information must be entered into the SDID by:
 - a) the driver, if the SDID is fitted in or on the vehicle; or
 - b) the participating operator, if the SDID is fitted in a place other than the place mentioned in subsection (a).
- 2) The relevant information must be true and accurate and must be re-entered irrespective of the mass of the vehicle whenever:
 - a) there is a change to the vehicle mass or configuration; or
 - b) if prompted by the SDID.
- 3) For the purpose of this subsection relevant information means information relating to the mass or configuration of the vehicle.

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