

## Information sheet – Victoria Class 3 Grain Harvest Management Scheme Mass Exemption Notice 2022 (No. 1)

The purpose of this Notice is to exempt a heavy vehicle to which it applies from stated prescribed mass requirements in Schedule 1 of the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation* (MDL), and operates in conjunction with the Victorian Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS).

### The Notice and the GHMS

This Notice supports the Victorian GHMS administered by the Department of Transport.<sup>1</sup>

The GHMS provides operating conditions, registration requirements and access for enrolled vehicles. Details of the GHMS can be found at: [Victoria Grain Harvest Management Scheme](#).

The Notice provides the specific mass exemptions and conditional masses, and compliance with the GHMS is an **essential condition** of operating under the Notice.

### Eligible vehicles

This Notice and the GHMS apply to the following vehicles that are carrying specified types of grain from a point of loading to a registered grain receiver:

- single steer, single drive rigid truck
- single steer, tandem drive rigid truck
- twin steer, tandem drive rigid truck
- single steer, single drive prime mover and single axle semitrailer
- single steer, single drive prime mover and tandem axle semitrailer
- single steer, single drive prime mover and tri-axle semitrailer
- single steer, tandem drive prime mover and tandem axle semitrailer
- single steer, tandem drive prime mover and tri-axle semitrailer
- single steer, tandem drive rigid truck and 2-axle dog trailer

- single steer, tandem drive rigid truck and 4-axle (tandem-tandem) dog trailer
- B-double (up to 19m) (General Access Vehicle) - single steer, tandem drive prime mover towing two tandem axle semitrailers
- B-double (up to 19m) (Restricted Access Vehicle) - single steer, tandem drive prime mover and tandem axle semitrailers
- 25/26m B-double (Restricted Access Vehicle) - single steer, tandem drive prime mover towing two triaxle semitrailers.

These vehicles are illustrated in the [Victorian Grain Harvest Management Scheme Mass Limit Chart](#).

**Note:** The Notice **does not** apply to Performance Based Standards vehicles.

### Mass exemptions and conditions

Vehicles operating under this Notice are exempt from a range of mass limits under Schedule 1 of the MDL.

It is a condition of this Notice that vehicles must also belong to, and comply with the GHMS, and also certain conditions relating to emission control standards and vehicle registration date.

### Changes introduced in September 2022

The Notice was renewed in September 2022 with the following changes:

- Removal of the requirement to carry the Notice in a heavy vehicle compartment.
- Removal of the requirement for eligible vehicles to be enrolled in the GHMS. The requirement to be enrolled **will only apply to receivers**. Vehicles will only need to comply with the conditions of the Notice.
- Updated the description of eligible vehicles, so there is no confusion about vehicle type. For example, 'rigid - 2 axle' has been renamed 'single steer, single drive rigid truck' and 'prime mover (single drive) &

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<sup>1</sup> Department of Transport means the Victorian state road authority called The Roads Corporation.

semitrailer - 5 axles' has been renamed 'single steer, single drive prime mover and triaxle semitrailer'.

- It is important to note that there is no change to eligible vehicles; just to the way they are described.

## Network access

Network access is provided by two network maps maintained by the Department of Transport:

- [Grain Harvest Management Scheme Rigid Truck & Semi-Trailer Network](#) (for rigid and semitrailers)
- [Grain Harvest Management Scheme B-double Network](#) (for B-doubles)

### For more information:

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