

# South Australia Farm Gate Grain Transport Mass Exemption Notice 2025 (No.1)

## Purpose

This information sheet provides advice to vehicle operators about the requirements for operating under the *South Australia Farm Gate Grain Transport Mass Exemption Notice 2025 (No.1)* (the Notice).

## Conditions of operation

The Notice provides for the loaded mass of a heavy vehicle to exceed the normal mass limit applicable to the vehicle/combination up to 105% for the first and second load carried by the heavy vehicle from a given paddock on a given day.

If the first load carried on a heavy vehicle from a given paddock on a given day is more than 100% of the normal mass limit, the mass of the second load (carried by the same heavy vehicle from the same paddock on the same day) must be less than the first load.

In addition to this, all subsequent loads must comply with the normal mass limits that apply to the heavy vehicle.

Normal mass limits are those set out in [Schedule 1 – General Mass Limits](#), [Schedule 2 – Concessional Mass Limits](#) of the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass Dimension and Loading) National Regulation* (MDL) or the primary notices that apply to a vehicle's operation.

The exemption only applies in South Australia and is applicable to heavy vehicles transporting grain from the farm gate to a grain receiver when operating at:

- General Mass Limits (GML); or
- Concessional Mass Limits (CML); or

- Higher Mass Limits (HML) under the [South Australian Class 3 Road Friendly Suspension Mass Exemption Notice 2023 \(No.1\)](#); or
- The mass limits specified in a primary notice.

**Note:** A primary notice means the notice that applies to the operation of the vehicle, if it is not a general access vehicle operating at GML.

All heavy vehicles operating under the Notice must comply with any conditions that apply to the operation of the vehicle under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL) or the primary notice applicable to the vehicle, including route and/or area restrictions.

The Notice does not exempt any parties from obligations in relation to Chain of Responsibility (CoR) requirements under the HVNL, load restraint or any other mass and dimension requirements under the HVNL.

Loading practices in the paddock must make reasonable efforts to avoid overloading above the normal mass limits that apply, noting that grain receivers may impose their own conditions in relation to the receipt of grain that is independent of the Notice.

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