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Message from the CEO

Welcome to this fortnight's edition of On the Road.

The NHVR has been preparing industry for changes to Chain of Responsibility (CoR) laws for some time now, and I'm happy to announce that reforms to the CoR laws will be implemented from 1 October.

We've engaged and consulted with over 165,000 businesses which make up the heavy vehicle supply chain and conducted more than 100 workshops in our push to ensure industry is prepared.

The new laws will go a long way to improving road safety in this country, as they recognise that everyone in the supply chain has a role to play.

October 1 provides the additional time that some sectors were asking for to prepare for the changes, particularly the agricultural sector.

For more information, including CoR Gap Assessment tools, role-specific fact sheets, Safety Management System templates and tools and videos and podcasts, go to [the NHVR website](http://the.nhvr.gov.au).

Regards,
Sal Petrocchio
CEO, National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

NHVR to process Class 1 permits for Vic from 28 May

The transfer of Class 1 delegations from VicRoads to the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator comes into effect on 28 May, aimed at improving the access permit process for Victorian heavy vehicle operators.

Victorian heavy vehicle operators have been using the NHVR Portal since 2016 and the NHVR has been working continuously with the Victorian heavy vehicle industry and the state road agency VicRoads to further improve the permit process and improve network access.

From 28 May the consent process will be made even more straightforward, according to Project Director Annette Finch.

"Instead of VicRoads processing applications with road managers within Victoria, the NHVR will manage the application with the road managers and produce the permit via the NHVR Portal.

"An applicant will have full visibility throughout the process which includes being able to log on at any time and see where the

process is at, at any stage of the application cycle," said Annette.

The NHVR recently hosted a series of training workshops at the Victorian Transport Authority offices which was attended by operators from the construction, heavy haulage, forestry and crane industries.

"The NHVR would like to thank industry stakeholder groups such as the Victorian Transport Association, the Civil Contractors Federation and the Crane Industry Council of Australia - Victorian Branch, and individual operators within industry for their support during this process.

"It's been a collaborative effort with a successful outcome," added Annette.

For more information on the change to the permit process in Victoria, contact Project Director, Annette Finch: annette.finch@nhvr.gov.au

The NHVR Portal can be accessed at: www.service.nhvr.gov.au



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Changes coming to heavy vehicle rego plates

Changes to heavy vehicle registration are being progressively implemented to benefit industry by introducing common practices, processes and fees, with the aim of making it easier and cheaper to operate by reducing cross-border red tape and fleet-management administrative costs.

The first of these changes will be rolled out from 1 July 2018 and will include the following initiatives:

- a new national heavy vehicle plate and a nationally consistent plate fee in participating states and territories (jurisdictions)
- more jurisdictions removing heavy vehicle registration labels
- the option for fleet operators across all jurisdictions to set common registration expiry dates.

In addition, from 1 October 2018, operators will have free read-only access to fleet registration details on the National Heavy

Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) digital platform—the NHVR Portal.

NHVR Registration Business Manager Tammy Wigg consulted with a large number of operators from small owner/drivers with one or two assets to operators with tens of thousands of assets to understand how a central portal of registration will help them do business.

“It was clear that our Portal needed to be flexible enough to cater for the different ways of working, and the team has worked hard to build this flexibility into the Portal.

“I’m very grateful to operators who have been generous with their time and perspectives in developing the initial requirements, reviewing prototypes and participating in system testing.

“The feedback has been instrumental in shaping the first release and subsequent releases,” added Tammy.

“We hope to continue this collaborative approach as we progressively build high-value features into the Portal.”



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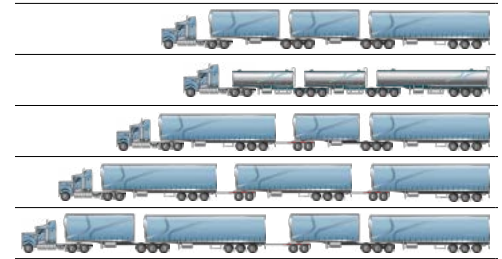
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Portal Tip

When applying for a permit make sure you carefully search the configurations to find the one that best reflects your vehicle. Ensure the information you input, such as length and axle spacing, is accurate so that your permit is processed in a timely manner.

Incorrect information may result in delays in processing your permit, as well as extra costs.



‘Be Truck Aware’ campaign extends to regional New South Wales

Following a successful rollout in the Sydney region, the NSW Government’s ‘Be Truck Aware’ campaign is now being extended across regional NSW.

The campaign includes television, radio, social media and online advertising, supported by messaging across the on-road variable message sign (VMS) network.

View the campaign by:

- Visiting the NSW Road Safety Facebook page www.facebook.com/nswroadsafety and sharing Be Truck Aware posts
- Sharing the Be Truck Aware television commercial – <https://youtu.be/xqeY1537OyQ> – and vox pops <https://youtu.be/tCsaPKGrIIA>
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