

Return of delegations for Class 1 and Class 3 permits from NSW by end 2018

Since 2014, the NHVR has delegated its function for issuing Class 1 and Class 3 heavy vehicle road access permits to road managers in New South Wales (NSW).

The delegation was made by the NHVR, in order to allow for development and implementation of a national permit system. The NHVR has now developed and implemented a national permit system – known as the NHVR Portal (www.service.nhvr.gov.au).

The NHVR intends to return the delegation and fully transition the heavy vehicle road access permit process for NSW to the NHVR Portal. Timing for this change is not finalised but the NHVR is targeting the end of 2018. The NHVR is working closely with Roads and Maritime Services, and we have agreed that the issuing of heavy vehicle road access permits will only transition when we are

confident that the transition will be managed effectively, considering issues such as safety and customer service levels in NSW. A staged approach for the return of delegations is proposed with the Class 3 delegation to be returned first.

In preparation for the return, road managers should take the following steps to assist in the reduction of the administrative burden of permit processing:

- Review your existing network
- Know where the heavy vehicle industries are currently situated and grant access to these areas on the approved heavy vehicle networks
- Consider pre-approving/gazetting the regularly requested roads with the NHVR to reduce the continuous approval cycle of permit applications.

NHVR will be providing training on the NHVR Portal for road managers via webinars and face to face sessions in various sessions being held around NSW. Please check the NHVR website for all training opportunities. www.nhvr.gov.au/road-access/access-management/delegations-project



Road manager foundation training delivers benefits

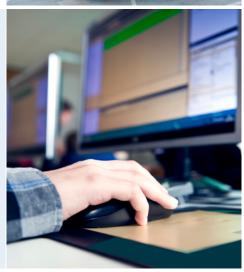
Any road managers still using the Portal Forms now have an opportunity to participate in foundation training in order to transition across to the NHVR Portal full solution.

These training sessions begin by providing a brief overview and history of the NHVR Portal, before providing a complete demonstration of all the necessary functionality.

This includes general navigation of the NHVR Portal through to overall account management, and also demonstrates the completion of a consent request from start to finish.

The case tracker (the management of cases) and the integrated visibility of the requested route are particularly useful features. By the end of each three hour webinar, road managers should feel more confident when utilising the NHVR Portal.

The NHVR and the Delegation Project team are organising more Road Manager Foundation Training webinars in the future. The webinars are recorded and individual videos explain each topic. You can find the latest complete webinar and shorter videos here.



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In June 2018 the NHVR contacted all road managers in participating states and territories seeking consent for the new National B-double Notice in early June 2018.

According to the NHVR's Manager, Harmonisation, Jose Arredondo, to date there has been an almost 90 per cent affirmative response from road managers.

"We'd like to remind road managers that the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL) allows vehicle combinations 19m long or under to access all roads unless sign-posted.

"Such vehicle combinations include semitrailers, truck and dogs and pocket B-doubles.

"Please note that such combinations are used for house builds, demolition work and transporting fuel to petrol stations.

"It's great to see road managers around the country coming on board and supporting this notice.

"We look forward to working with road managers to complete this work," said Jose.

Did you know?

You can now access the NHVR Portal on our new website from the top right hand corner as below:



LGNSW Planning Lunch: Transport in Regional Areas

NHVR's Stakeholder Specialist Tim Hansen has been invited by Local Government NSW to speak at its Planning Lunch: Transport in Regional Areas at Tamworth on Tuesday 21 August.

According to Tim optimising the road freight part of the freight task is key to improving the overall regional transport system.

"Better access for heavy vehicles, particularly PBS approved vehicles helps local economies and is a vital cog in the regional transport big picture," he added.

The event will also feature speakers from Transport NSW, Australian Rail Track Corporation and the NSW Government.

The event will be held at Tamworth Community Centre and a light lunch will be provided. To book your place contact Karen Rolls, LGNSW email events@lgnsw.org.au





Harvest Field Day and PBS Demonstration at Forbes

Learn about the current regulations for safety and legally moving agricultural vehicles and combinations on the road at the upcoming Harvest Field Day at Forbes on 8 August 2018.

There will be an interactive machinery inspection session conducted by Roads and Maritime Services and NSW Police to clarify what the requirements are for varioius vehicle and combination dimensions, safety equipment and pilot/escot vehicles. Breakfast will be provided.

To be held at the Forbes Central West Livestock Exchange, the day will also showcase the latest PBS vehicles.

These innovative heavy vehicles, approved under the NHVR's Performance Based Standards Scheme can make a huge

difference to the productivity and safety of Australia's growing freight task.

Come along to see these vehicles in action and speak with the operators of these vehicles to see what difference they could make to your business and local economy. Lunch is provided.

When: 8am - 11.30am, Wednesday 8 August 2018 (Harvest Field Day), and 11.30am - 3.30pm, Wednesday 8 August 2018 (PBS Demonstration)

Where: Forbes Central West Livestock Exchange.

Registration for both events is free. To register click here, or for further information contact Melanie Suitor on 02 68612364.

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