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- [CoR and Safety Management Systems Presentation \(PDF, 1.24MB\)](#)
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- [Introduction to Industry Codes of Practice \(PDF, 559KB\)](#)
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- [Schedule 2: Code of Practice template \(DOCX, 133KB\)](#)
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- [Statement of Regulatory Approach \(PDF, 894KB\)](#)

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- Corporate Plans
- Forward Work Inclusion Proposal (DOCX, 274KB)
- Glossary of common terms (PDF, 1.5MB)
- Hire truck - first-time drivers FAQ (PDF, 201KB)
- How to check your registration details
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- Reconciliation Action Plan - Reflect (PDF, 3.5MB)
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Fatigue management

- Short work breaks for agitator drivers (PDF, 212KB)
- EWD common questions (PDF, 647KB)
- Electronic Work Diary (EWD) fact sheet (PDF, 357KB)
- How to apply for a fatigue record-keeping exemption permit
- How to apply for a work and rest hours exemption permit
- How to apply for a work diary exemption permit
- National Driver Work Diary (PDF 4.7MB)
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Mass, dimension and loading

- Bus variations under the HVNL chart (PDF, 295KB)
- Classes of heavy vehicles fact sheet (PDF, 1.6MB)
- Classes of Heavy Vehicles in the HVNL chart (PDF, 2.6MB)
- Common Heavy Freight Vehicles Configurations chart (PDF, 1.1MB)
- General Dimension Requirements fact sheet (PDF, 1MB)
- General Mass Limits fact sheet (PDF, 564KB)
- National heavy vehicle mass and dimension limits (PDF, 2.0MB)
- Mass limits for eligible 2-axle buses under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (PDF, 334KB)
- Mass limits for twinsteer prime movers towing tri-axle semitrailers info sheet (PDF, 218KB)
- Multiple items on Class 1 load-carrying vehicles
- Oversize Overmass (OSOM) information
- PBS Vehicle Configurations chart (PDF, 1.1MB)
- Special Purpose Vehicles information

National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme

- Accreditation labels, nominated vehicles and interception report books fact sheet (PDF, 326KB)
- Analysis of Heavy Vehicle Safety Accreditation Schemes in Australia (PDF, 1.2MB)
- NHVAS fact sheet (PDF, 250KB)

Performance Based Standards

- Adding identical vehicles to a PBS Vehicle Approval (PDF, 240KB)
- Adoption of More General Use of Quad Axle Groups in Semi-Trailers and B-Doubles - March 2007 (PDF, 222KB)
- Extension to the Pre-Advised Design Approval process (PDF, 228KB)
- Guide - Adding vehicles to a PBS Vehicle Approval
- Guide - PBS approval process
- Guide - PBS Vehicle Approval escalation request
- Guide - Removing vehicles from a PBS Vehicle Approval
- Guidelines and Rules
- PBS approval process overview
- PBS Design Approval modification process (PDF, 380KB)
- PBS Performance Assessment Results - Road Manager Information Sheet (PDF, 325KB)
- PBS Quad-axle Mass exception Limits (QML) - Information sheet (PDF, 237KB)
- PBS vehicles carrying dangerous goods (PDF, 144KB)
- Performance Based Standards - A guide for road managers (8.6MB)
- Performance Based Standards - Australia's PBS fleet 2020 (PDF, 1.7MB)
- Removal of operator name from PBS Vehicle Approval

- Transfer of PBS Vehicle Approval

Podcasts

- Changes to heavy vehicle safety standards
- CoR and managing fatigue risks
- CoR and overloading
- CoR and speeding
- Vehicle modifications - backlit badges and logos
- Vehicle modifications - fitting bodies and tow couplings
- Vehicle standards - driving lamps and light-emitting diode lightbar
- Vehicle standards - semi-trailer rear bumpers

Roadworthiness Program

- National Roadworthiness Baseline Survey - Final report (PDF, 2.4MB)

Safety

- Safety alerts and bulletins
- Safety Management Systems guidance material and templates

Vehicle standards

- Approved Guidelines for Granting Vehicle Standards Exemptions (PDF, 364KB)
- Guide to creating heavy vehicle daily checks (PDF, 375KB)
- National Heavy Vehicle Inspection Manual (NHVIM)
- National roller brake testing procedure (PDF, 728KB)
- NHVR Code of Practice for the Approval of Heavy Vehicle Modifications (PDF, 506KB)
- Operators Guide - Partially completed vehicles (PDF, 443KB)
- Vehicle Standards Bulletin 6 (VSB6)
- Vehicle Standards Bulletin 12 (VSB12)
- Vehicle Standards Guides
- Vehicle Standards - Industry Guide to In-Principle Support (PDF, 971KB)