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CVIAV member visit to Shepparton

CVIAV members joined VACC's Farm and Industry Machinery Dealers Association (FIMDA) for a joint meeting hosted in Shepparton, 20-21 August.

The two day event allowed members to engage on issues effecting both divisions.

The agenda included a personal tour of the impressive Shepparton Motor Museum, a joint policy meeting with VicRoad's Manager, Heavy Vehicle Networks, Ian Mond, an informal dinner with VACC CEO, Mr Geoff Gwilym and site visits of innovative local businesses, Bertoli's Agricultural and Industrial and Plunkett's Fruit Packing Shed.

A sincere thank you to Paul Bertoli, Chair of FIMDA and Allan Bartlett, Chair, CVIAV for their role in realising this event.





Update: Road Vehicle Standards Legislation Amendment Act 2019

VACC can now confirm that the *Road Vehicle Standards Legislation Amendment Act 2019* received Royal Assent on Friday, 13 September, meaning the Act is now law.

The Road Vehicle Standards legislation can now be postponed to a date to be set by proclamation, which will be either by 1 July 2021, or earlier.

The commencement date will also mark the beginning of a 12 month transitional period during which, transitional arrangements will be in place, allowing some approval holders to continue operating under existing approvals.

To read more visit: <https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/vehicles/rvs/index.aspx>

Revised ADR 38-05 Certification arrangements

DITCRD has worked in close collaboration with industry stakeholders to determine compliance arrangements that allow the Department to meet regulatory obligations while imposing minimal compliance burden on Industry with regard to certification arrangements for ADR 38-05.

These arrangements in summary:

- A six month extension for Brake subassembly manufacturers to complete testing to ADR 38/05 and obtain approval before 30 April 2020.
- Allow “roll over” to ADR 38/05 for pneumatic trailer brake systems where all brake componentry fitted is compliant with ADR 38/05.
- Allow “roll over” to ADR 38/05 for electro pneumatic trailer brake systems that have results not close to the upper and lower operating limits specified in the ADR and where all brake componentry fitted is compliant with ADR 38/05.

To view the full details, as provided by the Department, click [HERE](#).

Public comment on Draft Version 6 of Vehicle Standards Bulletin 1 – Building Small Trailers

You may be aware that the Department has been rewriting its guidance for manufacturers and importers of small trailers Vehicle Standards Bulletin 1 (VSB 1). These amendments are intended to make VSB 1 applicable to the changed approval arrangements that will come into effect with the new Road Vehicle Standards Act 2018 as well as make the document more user friendly.

The Department has published a draft of VSB 1 Revision 6 for public comment on its website at: <https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/vehicles/rvs/rvsa-guidance-material-consultation.aspx>
Comments should be made by 11 October using the feedback form provided on the webpage and emailing to RVSAimplementation@infrastructure.gov.au

Register of Approved Vehicles Guide



The RVSA introduces a Register of Approved Vehicles (RAV), which will be an online, publicly searchable, database of vehicles approved for use on Australian roads.

The details of each vehicle approved for road use will be entered on the RAV.

The following documents were prepared for Identification Plate Approval (IPA) holders under the Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989 (MVSA). The documents below will assist IPA holders and prospective RVSA type approval holders with the transition to the RVSA:

- [the RAV Guide](#) provides information for road vehicle type approval holders about how to enter a vehicle on the RAV
- [the RAV enrolment form](#) prepared for IPA holders to obtain RAV access. Please consult the RAV Guideline document for details on how to complete and where to submit the enrolment form.

Note: the above documents are not relevant to holders of a concessional vehicle approval.

Victoria's Farmer and Agricultural Information

VicRoads has published a Victorian Farmer and Agricultural Information page, which aims to clarify the access arrangements for farmers and contractors moving oversize agricultural implement on the Victorian road network.

The Landing Page can be found here: <https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au>

The step by step guide is designed to be a 'one stop shop', allowing farmers to determine whether their agricultural implement or combination is classified as Class O (i.e. less than 4.5 tonnes) and therefore falls under Victorian Law or Class 1 (i.e. more than 4.5 tonnes) and therefore falls under the NHVR. This has been an area of some confusion in the past and it is hoped the steps laid out will provide clarity.

A list of all relevant links (these links also appear in the first section dealing with Class O and Class 1 ag equipment) are also included, along with definitions (with examples and pictures) of the agricultural vehicles, implements and combinations eligible under both the National and Victorian Notices.

[Step-by-step guide for Class O & Class 1 agricultural vehicles](#)

Six steps outlining Class O & 1 agricultural vehicle identification, operational and access requirements, and permit advice for off-network access.

[Agricultural zones & maximum allowable dimensions & mass limits](#)

Information about the maximum dimension and mass limits for oversize and/or overmass agricultural vehicles and implements, and the four agricultural zones or "areas of operation".

[Links to agricultural vehicle gazette notices, guides & maps](#)

Relevant Victorian user guides, notices, website links and network maps that outline vehicle requirements and define approved and restricted routes across Victoria.

[Agricultural vehicle definitions & examples from the National Law](#)

Legal definitions and examples of the vehicles that make up the broad heavy vehicle agricultural fleet.

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