## **Bulletin**Industry Divisions



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## UPDATE: Using a 'cradle lift' or 'wheel lift' behind your tilt tray to tow a second vehicle.

## Dear Member

Further to our recent <u>bulletin</u> on 23 August 2023, the Victorian Automotive Chamber of Commerce (VACC) wishes to inform members that the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) is investigating and seeking to get to a workable outcome. The concern was raised when a towing operator uses a 'cradle' or 'wheel lift' behind their tilt tray that the rear-overhang remains compliant under the <u>Heavy Vehicle National Law</u>. Based on current allowable dimensions this may not be the case, in turn exceeding the maximum length limit of 12.5 metres, and the rear overhang limit.

VACC has spoken to the relevant authorities, and it is encouraging that the NHVR has identified several potential pathways to ensure a resolution is found that does not impact operators which have been towing in this way for many years. The issue caused much concern from operators, suppliers, manufacturers and vehicle body builders.

VACC will continue to inform members as more information becomes available.

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