

Changes coming to VIC Grain Harvest Management Scheme mass exemption notices

Operators who transport grain in Victoria should be aware of new changes to be introduced to the Victoria Class 3 Grain Harvest Management Scheme Mass Exemption Notice 2017 (No. 1) when they are renewed this month.

What does this mean for my business?

In Victoria, the new notice will come into effect on Tuesday 27 September. Under the new arrangements, it will:

- Remove the requirement to carry the notice in a heavy vehicle compartment.
- Remove the requirement for eligible vehicles to be enrolled in the Grain Harvest Management Scheme. The requirement to be enrolled will only apply to receivers. Vehicles will only need to comply with the conditions of the notice.
- Update the description of eligible vehicles, so there is no confusion about vehicle type. For example, 'Rigid - 2 Axle' has been renamed 'Single steer, single drive rigid truck' and 'Prime Mover (Single Drive) & Semi Trailer - 5 Axles' has been renamed 'Single steer, single drive prime mover and triaxle semitrailer'. It is important to note that there is **no change to eligible vehicles**; just to the way they are described.

Once published, the new Victorian notice can be found at www.nhvr.gov.au/law-policies/notices-and-permit-based-schemes/state-notices/victoria. Once the notice comes into effect on 27 September, it will replace the current notices.

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