

## BULLETIN

# Farm and Industrial Machinery Association & Motorcycle Industry Division



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## Collective bargaining for franchise dealers: What you need to know

Dear members

A combined Farm and Industrial Machinery Dealers Association (FIMDA) and Motorcycle Industry Division (MID) meeting will be held on Thursday, 11 March 2021 at 6pm via Zoom.

The meeting will discuss :

- Prominent Franchise Lawyer, Evan Stents from HWL Ebsworth will attend this meeting to discuss Collective Bargaining and how it can be implemented in group franchisee-franchisor negotiations.
- This is very important for franchise dealers as ACCC has announced a class exemption that, from early 2021, will provide businesses and independent contractors with an exemption from normal competition laws to allow them to form bargaining groups and collectively negotiate with their franchisors. Evan will also discuss the incoming unfair contracts terms regime that will be active from 4 April 2021.
- Update for FIMDA and MID members on outcomes of the carsales-VACC Dealer Advisory Board meetings.
- VACC OHSE update on WorkSafe related issues.
- The replacement of the Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989 with the Road Vehicle Standards Act 2018 (RVSA) and Road Vehicle Standards Rules 2019 that will result in major changes for registering of vehicles from 1 July 2021. This will include the removal of identification/compliance plates and replacement with a secure vehicle identification label from 1 July 2021 and the introduction of the Register of Approved Vehicles (RAV) – an online, publicly searchable database of vehicles approved for use on Australian roads from 1 July 2021.

Zoom details are as follows:

<https://zoom.us/j/94276331583?pwd=dEsrZE5MQTdqVlVZekthMFBra0tSUT09>

Meeting ID: 942 7633 1583  
Passcode: 658726

By phone: Dial 03 7018 2005 and enter meeting details above.

Please advise of your attendance to: [mmckenna@vacc.com.au](mailto:mmckenna@vacc.com.au)

Kind regards

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