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## Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 GENERAL PERMIT FOR MASS LIMITS FOR VEHICLES REGISTERED AT THE NATIONAL REGISTRATION CHARGES

Regulation 724 of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 authorises the Roads Corporation, by notice in the Victoria Government Gazette, to allow vehicles which exceed mass or dimension limits prescribed in the Regulations to be used on roads.

Under Regulation 724, I, Colin Kosky, delegate of the Roads Corporation, allow vehicles and combinations which, together with any load, exceed a mass limit prescribed in Division 2, Part 7 of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 to travel on roads as described in Part 2 if they comply with all the mass limits in Part 1 and the operating conditions in Part 3.

This notice is effective from 25 August 1995 until 31 December 1999. However, if any of the conditions in this notice are breached, the notice is invalid in relation to the vehicle the subject of the breach, and (depending on what the breach is), the owner and the driver of the vehicle or vehicle combination and any person who caused or permitted it to be used on a road, may be prosecuted for exceeding the mass limits in Division 2, Part 7 of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988.

Dated 25 August 1995

**COLIN KOSKY**  
Acting General Manager  
Traffic and Road Use Management  
Roads Corporation

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### PART 1

#### Vehicle and Combination Mass Limits

1.1 (1) A motor vehicle, or a motor vehicle connected to a trailer may travel up to the mass limits in Part 1 of the Schedule in the Road Transport Reform (Mass and Loading) Regulations 1995 (Statutory Rules 1995 No. 56), which are summarised in a vehicle mass limits information sheet available at VicRoads' offices.

### PART 2

#### Roads

2.1 (1) Travel is permitted on any roads that have been declared under Schedule 5 of the Transport Act 1983.

2.1 (2) Travel is allowed on a road that has not been declared under Schedule 5 of the Transport Act 1983 if the road is along the most direct and practical route between the point of pick-up and delivery, and a road that has been declared under Schedule 5 of the Transport Act 1983.

2.1 (3) In spite of subclauses (1) and (2), a vehicle or combination must not travel on a road, bridge or structure where any posted dimension or mass limit would be exceeded.

### PART 3

#### Operating Conditions

3.1 (1) Any trip hereby permitted is made at the vehicle owner's and driver's risk absolutely. No representation is made by the Roads Corporation that any road, bridge, culvert, causeway or grid is capable of withstanding the vehicle or combination.

3.1 (2) A vehicle or trailer travelling under this notice must be registered in a State or Territory of Australia, at the same registration charges as those set out in Part 2 of the Schedule to the Road Transport Charges (Australian Capital Territory) Act 1993, which are summarised in a registration charges information sheet available at VicRoads' offices.

PART 4  
Definitions

4.1 (1) In this notice:

“load”, in relation to a vehicle, includes anything that is normally removed from the vehicle when the vehicle is not in use.

“owner”, in relation to a vehicle, means:

- (a) if the vehicle:
  - (i) is registered—a person in whose name the vehicle is registered under a Commonwealth, State or Territory Act; or
  - (ii) is not registered—a person to whom a mark, plate, or permit has been issued to allow the vehicle to be used; and
- (b) a person who, according to the vehicle registration authority’s records, has acquired the vehicle from the person in whose name the vehicle is registered under the relevant law; and
- (c) a person who is entitled to the possession of the vehicle.

“road” means:

- (a) an area that is open to or used by the public and is developed for, or has as one of its uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles; and
- (b) includes “highway” as defined in the Road Safety Act 1986;

“trailer” means a vehicle without its own motive power which is capable of being drawn by a motor vehicle;

“vehicle” includes the vehicle’s equipment and any substances that the vehicle is carrying that are essential for its operation.

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