

# Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Concessional Mass Limits (CML) Exemption Notice 2006

## Disallowable Instrument DI 2006—134

made under the

*Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass Act 1990), Section 31A (Exemptions)*

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### 1. Name of Instrument

This Instrument is the Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Concessional Mass Limits (CML) Exemption Notice 2006.

### 2. Commencement

This instrument commences on 1 July 2006.

### 3. Vehicle exemption

Under paragraph 31A(1) of the *Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Act 1990* (the Act), I exempt vehicles or combinations that are being operated by an operator accredited under the National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme (NHVAS) from the requirements of sections 24 and 25 of the Act, which determines:

- (a) the gross mass (in tonnes) of a vehicle, or of a motor vehicle and a trailer or semi-trailer coupled to it in relation to the class of vehicles or class of combination; and
- (b) the mass carried by the wheel of a vehicle, the axle load of an axle, or the axle group load of an axle group of a vehicle in relation to the relevant class of wheels, axles or axle groups.

### 4. Conditions and Requirements

Eligible vehicles exempted under this notice are subject to the conditions and requirements set out in the Schedule to this notice.

In this exemption notice, a diagram that is called an essential diagram is part of the exemption notice. Any other diagram or any note is illustrative only. All other relevant legislation related to the operation of vehicles to which this notice is applicable must be adhered to.

JOHN HARGREAVES  
Minister for the Territory and Municipal Services

28 June 2006

## SCHEDULE

### Part 1 – Preliminary

#### 1.1 Interpretation

Unless stated otherwise, words and expressions used in this Notice have the same meaning as those set out in the Dictionary forming part of the *Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Act 1990*.

#### 1.2 Application

This Notice applies to vehicles or combinations, with the exception of vehicles or combinations described in Clause 1.3, complying with the requirements of Part 2 of this Notice, that are being operated by an operator accredited under the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module.

#### 1.3 Non-eligible vehicles

This Notices does not apply to:

- (a) Pig trailers or a combination containing one or more pig trailers; or
- (b) A Special Purpose Vehicle, an agricultural machine or agricultural implement, a low loader, a low loader dolly and a low loader, a jinker, or a low loader dolly and a jinker; or
- (c) A complying bus, an ultra-low floor bus, or an articulated ultra-low floor bus, or a bus licensed to carry standing passengers; or
- (d) A vehicle or combination operating under Higher Mass Limits;
- (e) A vehicle or combination operating under any other Permit, Notice or other Exemption, that allows axle or axle group loads above those specified in the Table of Schedule 2 to DI2006-119, (Mass Limits for Single Axles and Axle Groups).

### Part 2 – Operating requirements and other conditions

#### 2.1 Total Mass limits – vehicles or combinations

2.1.1 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies must not exceed the lowest of the following:

- (a) the sum of the axle and axle group mass limits in Clause 2.2, or
- (b) in the case of a bus or rigid truck—the vehicle's Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM), or
- (c) the Gross Combination Mass (GCM) limit specified by the prime mover manufacturer, or
- (d) the sum of the manufacturer's mass limits for the prime mover (or rigid truck or bus) (GVM) and the trailer or trailers Gross Trailer Mass (GTM) it is towing, or
- (e) the applicable total mass limit under Clause 2.1.2 or Clause 2.1.3.

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2.1.2 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies may exceed the total mass limit applicable to that vehicle or combination under DI2006-119, or another Notice, Permit or Exemption made under the Act, by up to one tonne, where the otherwise applicable total mass limit does not exceed 55 tonnes.

2.1.3 The total mass of a vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies may exceed the total mass limit applicable to that vehicle or combination under DI2006-119, or another Notice, Permit or Exemption made under the Act, by up to two tonnes, where the otherwise applicable total mass limit exceeds 55 tonnes.

## 2.2 Axle and axle group mass limits

A vehicle or combination to which this Notice applies must not exceed the axle or axle group mass limits set out in Table 1.

**Table 1 - Mass limits for single axles and axle groups**

Description of single axle or axle group	Mass Limit (tonnes)
<b>STEER AXLE GROUPS</b>	
<b>Single steer axle</b> Single steer axle	6.0
<b>Twinsteer axle groups</b> Twinsteer axle group without a load-sharing suspension system Twinsteer axle group with a load-sharing suspension system	10.0 11.0
<b>NON-STEER AXLE GROUPS</b>	
<b>Single axles and single axle groups</b> Single axle or single axle group fitted with single tyres with section width of: (a) less than 375 mm (b) at least 375 mm but less than 450 mm (c) at least 450 mm Single axle or single axle group fitted with dual tyres	6.0 6.7 7.0 9.0
<b>Tandem axle groups</b> Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres with section width of: (a) less than 375 mm (b) 375 mm or more but less than 450 mm (c) 450 mm or more Tandem axle group fitted with single tyres on one axle and dual tyres on the other axle Tandem axle group fitted with dual tyres	11.5 13.8 14.5 13.5 17.0
<b>Tri-axle groups</b> Tri-axle group on a vehicle fitted with single tyres with section width of less than 375 mm on all axles, or single tyres on 1 or 2 axles and dual tyres on the other axle or axles Tri-axle group with either single tyres with section width of at least 375 mm, dual tyres, or a combination of those tyres	15.0 21.0

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### 2.3 *Travel requirements*

A vehicle or combination operating under this Notice may operate on all roads, except where prohibited by a load limit specified for a road, bridge or causeway by a sign, or where restricted by another Permit or Exemption Notice.

### 2.4 *Vehicle labels*

A label that indicates that the vehicle or combination is operating under the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module must be prominently displayed in the position required by the NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation module.

**Note:**

Operators must be accredited under the National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme (NHVAS). The ACT does not offer NHVAS accreditation, however, ACT operators may apply for accreditation in other jurisdictions. Refer to Contacts at the end of this notice, for further information regarding application to the NHVAS.

### 2.5 *Notice to be carried*

A copy of this Notice, or an information sheet issued by the Road Transport Authority setting out the obligations imposed under this Notice, must be carried in the driving compartment of the vehicle and must be produced to a police officer or an authorised person when requested.

### 2.6 *Additional Notices to be carried*

Any vehicle or combination that is operating under this Notice that is also required to comply with the provisions of any other Notice that is pertinent to that vehicle or combination, must also carry a copy of that Notice.

### **Contacts – General and Emergency**

<b>Technical Inquiries</b>	<b>For details concerning NHVAS Mass Management Accreditation Scheme</b>
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<b>Roads ACT Heavy Vehicle Permit Officer:</b> Telephone: (02) 6207 6565 (BH) Fax: (02) 6207 6872	<b>Australian Federal Police:</b> 000 – Life Threatening Emergency 11444 – Police Attendance (02) 6256 7777 – General Enquiries

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