

Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (General) (Road Safety Contribution) Determination 2026 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2026-50

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, section 96 (Determination of fees, charges and other amounts)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Overview

This explanatory statement relates to the *Road Transport (General) (Road Safety Contribution) Determination 2026 (No 1)* (the **instrument**) as presented to the Legislative Assembly. It has been prepared to assist the reader of the instrument. It does not form part of the instrument and has not been endorsed by the Assembly.

Section 96 of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* (the **Act**) authorises the Minister to determine fees, charges and other amounts payable under the ACT road transport legislation.

This instrument determines fees for the Road Safety Contribution. This fee is paid when a vehicle, other than a trailer, is registered in the ACT. It is also not payable when a Trader's Plate is issued.

Since 1 July 2015, the Road Safety Contribution has funded the ACT Road Safety Fund. The ACT Road Safety Fund funds projects and initiatives related to road safety research and education and road trauma prevention, in support of the ACT Government's identified road safety strategy and action plan.

The fee has increased for vehicle registrations and renewals commencing on or after 1 July 2026 by 3.85%, incorporating the estimated 2025-26 wage price index of 3.5% in accordance with rates published in Budget Memo 2025/32 and an additional 0.35% as per Budget Memo 2024/14. Fees are rounded down to the nearest ten cents.

The preference of the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs (Legislative Scrutiny Role) that instruments or explanatory statements identify the amount of the old and new fee, any percentage increase and also the reason for any increase. This has been considered in the preparation of the instrument and the explanatory statement.

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

This instrument revokes the *Road Transport (General) (Road Safety Contribution) Determination 2025 (No 1)* (DI2025-182).

This determination, under section 96 of the Act, is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly not later than 6 sitting days after its notification day, pursuant to section 64 of the *Legislation Act 2001* (the **Legislation Act**).

Human Rights

There are no human rights impacts arising from this instrument.

Climate change

It is anticipated that the changes implemented in this instrument will not have an impact on climate change.

Regulation Impact Statement (RIS)

A RIS is not required for this fee determination due to section 36 (1) (k) of the Legislation Act, which states that a RIS need not be prepared for an amendment of a fee consistent with announced government policy. The road Safety Contribution increase made by this instrument is consistent with the Government's policies.