## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

## **ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVING HOURS) REGULATIONS 1999**

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## **ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVING HOURS) REGULATIONS 1999**

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## NOTE:

- · Asterisks indicate repeal or deletion of text.
- · For the legislative history of the regulations see Appendix.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into operation 1 November 1999: reg. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Came into operation 18 November 1999: reg. 2.

## PART 1 PRELIMINARY

#### Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the Road Traffic (Driving Hours) Regulations 1999.

#### Commencement

2. These regulations will come into operation on 1 November 1999.

#### Main object of regulations

**3.** The main object of these regulations is to provide for the suitable management of the fatigue of drivers of heavy trucks and commercial buses by regulating the periods that they spend driving, working and resting.

#### Outline of main features of regulations

- **4.** (1) These regulations apply mainly to—
- (a) employed drivers of heavy trucks and commercial buses and their employers; and
- (b) self-employed drivers of heavy trucks and commercial buses.

Note: Some provisions may apply to other persons eg Part 5 (Extended offences).

- (2) The regulations provide, in Part 2 (Regulated hours), for maximum driving and work times, and minimum rest times, for drivers of heavy trucks and commercial buses.
- (3) The regulations also provide, in Part 4 (Driving records), for recording the driving, work and rest times of drivers of heavy trucks and commercial buses.
- (4) An exemption, including an FMS exemption, may be sought from various requirements of the regulations.

Note: **FMS exemption** is defined in regulation 102.

(5) If a driver or employer wishes to conduct heavy truck driving in a way more suitable to the driver or employer than complying with Part 2, the driver or employer may apply for registration in the Transitional Fatigue Management Scheme established by Part 3.

## **Application of regulations**

- **5.** (1) These regulations apply to heavy trucks and commercial buses, and their drivers, on roads and road-related areas.
- (2) A **road** is an area that is open to or used by the public and is developed for, or has as one of its main uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles.
  - (3) A **road-related area** is any of the following:
  - (a) an area that divides a road;
  - (b) a footpath or nature strip adjacent to a road;
  - (c) an area that is not a road and that is open to the public and is designated for use by cyclists or animals;
  - (d) an area that is not a road and that is open to or used by the public for driving, riding or parking vehicles;

- (e) any other area that has been declared by regulation to be an area to which these regulations apply.
- (4) If the Minister so declares by notice published in the *Gazette*, these regulations, or specified provisions of these regulations, do not apply to the use of vehicles of a specified class subject to the conditions (if any) specified in the notice.
- (5) The Minister may by notice published in the *Gazette* vary or revoke a notice under subregulation (4).

#### **DIVISION 2—INTERPRETATION**

## **Definitions—the dictionary etc**

**6.** (1) The dictionary at the end of these regulations defines certain words and expressions, and includes references to certain words and expressions that are defined elsewhere in these regulations (**signpost definitions**).

Example—

The signpost definition "commercial bus" see regulation 8(3) means that the expression "commercial bus" is defined in regulation 8(3).

Note: The dictionary only includes a signpost definition for a word or expression if the word or expression is used in more than 1 regulation.

- (2) The dictionary is part of these regulations.
- (3) A definition in these regulations applies to each use of the word or expression in these regulations, unless the contrary intention appears.

#### References to exemptions etc

- 7. In these regulations, a reference to—
- (a) an **exemption** includes a reference to the exemption as varied; and
- (b) a **variation** of an exemption includes a reference to a variation of a condition of the exemption by addition, omission or substitution.

#### DIVISION 3—SOME KEY CONCEPTS FOR THESE REGULATIONS

#### Subdivision A—Persons with special duties

### What is a heavy truck, bus and commercial bus

- 8. (1) A heavy truck is—
- (a) a motor vehicle (except a bus or tram) with a GVM over 12 tonnes; or
- (b) a motor vehicle (except a bus or tram) forming part of a combination if the total of the GVMs of the vehicles in the combination is over 12 tonnes.
- (2) A **bus** is a motor vehicle built mainly to carry people that seats over 12 adults (including the driver).
  - (3) A **commercial bus** is a bus used to carry people for reward or in a business.

#### **Driver definitions**

- **9.** (1) A **driver** is a driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) An **employed driver** is a driver who is employed by someone else to drive a heavy truck or commercial bus.
  - (3) A driver who is not an employed driver is a **self-employed driver**.

## Who is an employer and responsible employee

- **10.** (1) An **employer** is a person who employs someone else to drive a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) A **responsible employee** of an employer is an employee or agent of the employer who is responsible for—
  - (a) rostering driving, work or rest time of employed drivers; or
  - (b) scheduling the transport of people or goods by road,

and, if the employer is an individual, includes the employer.

## Who is a consignor

- **11.** A **consignor** is a person who—
- (a) engages someone, directly or through an agent or other intermediary, to transport goods by road; and
- (b) has possession of, or control over, the goods before they are transported; and
- (c) is not the employer of the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus that transports the goods.

## Subdivision B—Driving, work and rest times

#### What is driving and driving time

- 12. (1) **Driving** is driving a heavy truck or commercial bus, and includes—
- (a) being in the driving seat of a stationary heavy truck or commercial bus while the engine is running; and
- (b) being in a heavy truck or commercial bus and instructing or supervising someone else to drive it
- (2) **Driving time** of a driver is time spent by the driver driving, whether or not the time is spent on a road or road-related area.

#### What is work time

- 13. (1) Work time of a driver is the driver's driving time, and other time spent by the driver—
  - (a) loading or unloading a heavy truck or commercial bus; or
  - (b) inspecting, servicing or repairing a heavy truck or commercial bus, inspecting or attending to the load on a heavy truck or commercial bus, or attending to the passengers of a commercial bus; or

- (c) cleaning or refuelling a heavy truck or commercial bus; or
- (d) performing marketing tasks in relation to the operation of a heavy truck or commercial bus; or
- (e) helping with, or supervising, an activity mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (d); or
- (f) recording information, or completing a document, in accordance with these regulations or otherwise in relation to the operation of a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) In these regulations—

"marketing tasks" includes arranging for, or canvassing for orders for, the transport of people or goods.

#### What is rest time

**14. Rest time** of a driver is a continuous period of at least 15 minutes that is not work time of the driver.

#### Subdivision C—Jurisdictions and zones

## **Definitions—jurisdictions and zones**

- **15.** (1) **This jurisdiction** is South Australia.
- (2) **Another jurisdiction** is a State or a Territory.
- (3) A relevant jurisdiction is—
- (a) this jurisdiction; or
- (b) another jurisdiction, if the law of the other jurisdiction includes provisions having the same, or substantially the same, effect as these regulations.
- (4) The **regulated zone** is all relevant jurisdictions.
- (5) The **non-regulated zone** is all jurisdictions that are not relevant jurisdictions.

## PART 2 REGULATED HOURS

#### **DIVISION 1—INTRODUCTORY**

#### **Application of Part 2**

- **16.** This Part applies to a driver unless—
- (a) the driver is a heavy truck driver; and
- (b) the driver is registered as a driver participant in TFMS or a corresponding TFMS; and
- (c) the driver is carrying his or her current driver certification manual or corresponding driver certification manual; and
- (d) if the driver is an employed driver the driver's employer is registered as an employer participant in TFMS or a corresponding TFMS.

Note: See Division 1 of Part 7 for registration in TFMS.

## **Brief outline of Part 2**

- 17. (1) This Part sets the maximum driving and work times, and minimum rest times, for drivers to whom the Part applies.
  - (2) These times are set by reference to 4 periods, which are called—
    - · relevant period 1
    - · relevant period 2
    - · relevant period 3
    - · relevant period 4.
  - (3) A driver must ensure that, for each relevant period 1, 2 or 3—
  - (a) the driver's total driving time does not exceed the driver's maximum driving time; and
  - (b) the driver's total work time does not exceed the driver's maximum work time.
- (4) A driver must ensure that the driver's rest time complies with the driver's required minimum rest time for—
  - (a) any relevant period 1, 2 or 3 in which the driver drives a heavy truck; and
  - (b) any relevant period 1, 2 or 4 in which the driver drives a commercial bus.

#### Regulated hours — relevant periods

- 18. For this Part—
  - **relevant period 1** is any period of 5.5 hours
  - relevant period 2 is any period of 24 hours
  - relevant period 3 is any period of 168 hours

**relevant period 4** is any period of 672 hours.

Examples of the beginning and end of the relevant periods for this Part-

- 1 The relevant periods beginning at 9.00am on 5 May are the periods ending as follows—
- relevant period 1 ends at 2.30pm on 5 May (that is, 5.5 hours later)
- · relevant period 2 ends at 9.00am on 6 May (that is, 24 hours later)
- relevant period 3 ends at 9.00am on 12 May (that is, 168 hours later)
- relevant period 4 ends at 9.00am on 2 June (that is, 672 hours later).
- 2 The relevant periods ending at 9.00am on 12 May are the periods beginning as follows—
- relevant period 1 begins at 3.30am on 12 May (that is, 5.5 hours earlier)
- relevant period 2 begins at 9.00am on 11 May (that is, 24 hours earlier)
- relevant period 3 begins at 9.00am on 5 May (that is, 168 hours earlier)
- relevant period 4 begins at 9.00am on 14 April (that is, 672 hours earlier).

#### DIVISION 2—DRIVING, WORK AND REST TIMES OF REGULATED HOURS DRIVERS

#### Regulated hours—maximum driving times

- 19. (1) For this Part, the maximum driving times of a driver are—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—5 hours; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—12 hours; and
- (c) for any relevant period 3—72 hours.
- (2) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period 1, 2 or 3 in which the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus on a road or road-related area, the driver's total driving time exceeds the driver's maximum driving time.

Maximum Penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

## Regulated hours—maximum work times

- **20.** (1) For this Part, the **maximum work times** of a driver are—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—5 hours; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—14 hours; and
- (c) for any relevant period 3—72 hours.

(2) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period 1, 2 or 3 in which the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus on a road or road-related area, the driver's total work time exceeds the driver's maximum work time.

Maximum Penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

#### Regulated hours—required minimum rest times

- 21. (1) For this Part, the required minimum rest times of a driver are rest times of—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—30 minutes, which must be in a single period or 2 separate periods of 15 minutes; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—10 hours, which must include a single period of at least 6 hours not spent by the driver in or on—
  - (i) a heavy truck, except a heavy truck with a sleeper berth complying with ADR 42; or
  - (ii) a commercial bus, except a commercial bus with an approved sleeper berth; and
- (c) for any relevant period 3—96 hours, which must include a single period of at least 24 hours not spent by the driver in or on a heavy truck or commercial bus; and
- (d) for any relevant period 4—384 hours, which must include—
  - (i) 4 separate periods of at least 24 hours each; or
  - (ii) a single period of at least 72 hours and a separate period of at least 24 hours; or
  - (iii) 2 separate periods of at least 48 hours each; or
  - (iv) a single period of at least 96 hours,

not spent by the driver in or on a heavy truck or commercial bus.

(2) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period 1, 2 or 3 in which the driver drives a heavy truck on a road or road-related area, the driver's rest time does not comply with the driver's required minimum rest time.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

(3) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period 1, 2 or 4 in which the driver drives a commercial bus on a road or road-related area, the driver's rest time does not comply with the driver's required minimum rest time.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

## Application of Division to drivers from elsewhere in the regulated zone

**22.** In applying this Division to a driver, any time spent by the driver in another jurisdiction in the regulated zone is treated in the same way as it would have been treated if the time had been spent in this jurisdiction.

Note: **Regulated zone** is defined in regulation 15.

## Application of Division to drivers from non-regulated zone

**23.** (1) This regulation applies to a driver if the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus into this jurisdiction from the non-regulated zone.

Note: **Non-regulated zone** is defined in regulation 15.

- (2) In applying this Division to the driver—
- (a) any driving, work or rest time of the driver before the start of his or her last 6 hour rest break before entering this jurisdiction is disregarded; and
- (b) any driving, work or rest time of the driver after the start of that rest break is taken into account; and
- (c) any time spent by the driver in the non-regulated zone (or another jurisdiction in the regulated zone) after the start of that rest break is treated in the same way as it would have been treated if the time had been spent in this jurisdiction.

# PART 3 TRANSITIONAL FATIGUE MANAGEMENT SCHEME

#### **DIVISION 1—INTRODUCTORY**

#### **Brief outline of Part 3**

- **24.** (1) This Part—
- (a) establishes the Transitional Fatigue Management Scheme (**TFMS**) for heavy truck drivers and the employers of heavy truck drivers; and
- (b) provides for other matters about TFMS.

Note: This Part applies only to the driving of heavy trucks. However, driving, work and rest time spent in relation to commercial buses is taken into account in working out the driving, work and rest times of heavy truck drivers.

- (2) This Part also sets maximum driving and work times, and minimum rest times, for heavy truck drivers to whom TFMS applies by reference to 3 periods, which are called—
  - · relevant period 1
  - · relevant period 2
  - · relevant period 3.
- (3) A heavy truck driver to whom TFMS applies must ensure that, for each relevant period applying to the driver—
  - (a) the driver's total driving time does not exceed the driver's maximum driving time; and
  - (b) the driver's total work time does not exceed the driver's maximum work time; and
  - (c) the driver's rest time complies with the driver's required minimum rest time.

#### Registration of participants in TFMS

**25.** A person may be registered as a driver or employer participant in TFMS under Division 1 of Part 7.

Note: Part 7 deals with TFMS administration.

## TFMS—relevant periods

**26.** For this Part—

- relevant period 1 is any period of 5.5 hours
- relevant period 2 is any period of 24 hours
- **relevant period 3** is any period of 336 hours.

Examples of the beginning and end of the relevant periods for this Part—

- 1 The relevant periods beginning at 9.00am on 5 May are the periods ending as follows—
  - · relevant period 1 ends at 2.30pm on 5 May (that is, 5.5 hours later)
  - relevant period 2 ends at 9.00am on 6 May (that is, 24 hours later)

- relevant period 3 ends at 9.00am on 19 May (that is, 336 hours later).
- The relevant periods ending at 9.00am on 19 May are the periods beginning as follows
  - relevant period 1 begins at 3.30am on 19 May (that is, 5.5 hours earlier)
  - relevant period 2 begins at 9.00am on 18 May (that is, 24 hours earlier)
  - relevant period 3 begins at 9.00am on 5 May (that is, 336 hours earlier).

#### DIVISION 2—DRIVING, WORK AND REST TIMES OF TFMS DRIVERS

## **Application of Division 2**

- 27. This Division applies to a driver only if—
- (a) the driver is a heavy truck driver; and
- (b) the driver is registered as a driver participant in TFMS or a corresponding TFMS; and
- (c) the driver is carrying his or her current driver certification manual or corresponding driver certification manual; and
- (d) if the driver is an employed driver—the driver's employer is also registered as an employer participant in TFMS or a corresponding TFMS.
- Note 1: If this Division does not apply to the driver of a heavy truck, Part 2 applies to the driver—see regulation 16.
- Note 2: See Division 1 of Part 7 for registration in TFMS.

## **TFMS**—maximum driving times

- 28. (1) For this Division, the maximum driving times of a driver are—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—5 hours; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—14 hours; and
- (c) for any relevant period 3—144 hours.
- (2) However, if at any time in any relevant period 2 the driver is a two-up driver, the driver's **maximum driving time** for the period is 12 hours.
- (3) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period in which the driver drives a heavy truck on a road or road-related area, the driver's total driving time exceeds the driver's maximum driving time.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

### TFMS—maximum work times

- 29. (1) For this Division, the maximum work times of a driver are—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—5 hours; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—14 hours; and

- (c) for any relevant period 3—144 hours.
- (2) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period in which the driver drives a heavy truck on a road or road-related area, the driver's total work time exceeds the driver's maximum work time.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

#### **TFMS**—required minimum rest times

- **30.** (1) For this Division, the **required minimum rest times** of a driver are rest times of—
- (a) for any relevant period 1—30 minutes, which must be in a single period or 2 separate periods of 15 minutes; and
- (b) for any relevant period 2—10 hours, which must include a single period of at least 6 hours not spent by the driver in or on—
  - (i) a heavy truck, except a heavy truck with a sleeper berth complying with ADR 42; or
  - (ii) a commercial bus, except a commercial bus with an approved sleeper berth; and
- (c) for any relevant period 3—192 hours, which must include 2 single periods of at least 24 hours each not spent by the driver in or on a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) For a single period of at least 24 hours mentioned in subregulation (1)(c), 1 continuous period of up to 1 hour spent in the period cleaning or refuelling a heavy truck or commercial bus (other than at the direction of his or her employer) is taken to be **rest time** of the driver if the beginning and end of the cleaning or refuelling are separated by at least 3 hours from the beginning and end of driving or work time.
- (3) A driver commits an offence if, for any relevant period in which the driver drives a heavy truck on a road or road-related area, the driver's rest time does not comply with the driver's required minimum rest time.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Regulation 128 limits the number of times, in each relevant period, that a driver is liable for an offence.

## Application of Division to heavy truck drivers from elsewhere in the regulated zone

**31.** In applying this Division to a heavy truck driver, any time spent by the driver in another jurisdiction in the regulated zone is treated in the same way as it would have been treated if the time had been spent in this jurisdiction.

Note: **Regulated zone** is defined in regulation 15.

#### Application of Division to heavy truck drivers from the non-regulated zone

**32.** (1) This regulation applies to a driver if the driver drives a heavy truck into this jurisdiction from the non-regulated zone.

Note: **Non-regulated zone** is defined in regulation 15.

- (2) In applying this Division to the driver—
- (a) any driving, work or rest time of the driver before the start of his or her last 6 hour rest break before entering this jurisdiction is disregarded; and
- (b) any driving, work or rest time of the driver after the start of that rest break is taken into account; and
- (c) any time spent by the driver in the non-regulated zone (or another jurisdiction in the regulated zone) after the start of that rest break is treated in the same way as it would have been treated if the time had been spent in this jurisdiction.

#### DIVISION 3—OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF DRIVER PARTICIPANTS

## **Application of Division 3**

- **33.** (1) This Division applies to a driver who is registered as a driver participant in TFMS.
- (2) Regulation 34(1) also applies to a driver who is registered as a driver participant in a corresponding TFMS.

#### **General obligations**

- **34.** (1) If a driver becomes, or ceases to be, employed to drive a heavy truck, the driver must immediately record in his or her driver certification manual, as required by the instructions in the manual, the day and time when the driver became, or ceased to be, employed and, if the driver became employed—
  - (a) the employer's name and the address of the place where the employer manages the employment of drivers; and
  - (b) whether the employer is registered as an employer participant in TFMS; and
  - (c) if so, the employer's TFMS registration number.
  - (2) A self-employed driver must—
  - (a) manage the driver's driving, work and rest times so the driver can comply with this Part; and
  - (b) keep complete and accurate records showing that the driver has complied with paragraph (a).
  - (3) In this regulation—

"driver certification manual" includes a corresponding driver certification manual;

"TFMS" includes a corresponding TFMS.

## Medical examination requirements

- **35.** (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to a driver, ask the driver to—
- (a) undergo a medical examination in accordance with the required medical standards; and
- (b) give his or her driver certification manual to the examining doctor for inclusion of the certificate mentioned in subregulation (2); and

- (c) produce the manual containing the certificate to the Minister for inspection within the time stated in the notice.
- (2) The certificate must state—
- (a) the name and address of the doctor; and
- (b) that the doctor examined the driver in accordance with the required medical standards; and
- (c) the date of the medical examination; and
- (d) that the person met, or did not meet, the required medical standards.
- (3) The time stated in the notice must be at least 7 days after the notice is given to the driver.
- (4) The driver must comply with the notice.

## **Approved fatigue management training requirements**

- 36. (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to a driver, ask the driver to—
- (a) attend an approved fatigue management training course; and
- (b) give his or her driver certification manual to the trainer conducting the course for inclusion of the certificate mentioned in subregulation (2); and
- (c) produce the manual containing the certificate to the Minister for inspection within the time stated in the notice.
- (2) The certificate must state—
- (a) the name and address of the trainer; and
- (b) that the driver finished an approved fatigue management training course conducted by the trainer; and
- (c) the date of the course.
- (3) The time stated in the notice must be at least 28 days after the notice is given to the driver.
  - (4) The driver must comply with the notice.

#### Minister to be told if driver certification manual lost etc

- **37.** (1) If a driver's driver certification manual is destroyed, lost or stolen, the driver must tell the Minister, in writing, as soon as practicable (but within 2 business days) after becoming aware that the manual has been destroyed, lost or stolen.
- (2) If a lost or stolen driver certification manual (the **earlier manual**) is found or returned to the driver after a replacement driver certification manual has been issued to the driver, the driver must give the earlier manual to the Minister as soon as practicable (but within 3 business days) after the manual is found or returned.

#### **DIVISION 4—OBLIGATIONS OF EMPLOYER PARTICIPANTS**

#### **Application of Division 4**

**38.** This Division applies to an employer who is registered as an employer participant in TFMS.

#### **General obligations**

- **39.** The employer must—
- (a) manage employed heavy truck drivers, including their driving, work and rest times, so that they are able to comply with this Part; and
- (b) ensure that each responsible employee of the employer attends any approved fatigue management training course required under this Division; and
- (c) keep complete and accurate records showing—
  - (i) that the employer has complied with paragraphs (a) and (b); and
  - (ii) the medical examinations undergone by the employer's employed truck drivers for these regulations; and
  - (iii) the approved fatigue management training courses attended by the employer's employed truck drivers and responsible employees.

Maximum penalty: For a first offence—\$1 250.

For a second or subsequent offence—\$2 500.

Note: Contravention of these regulations is a ground for cancellation of an employer's registration as an employer participant in TFMS—see regulation 90(b).

# Minister may ask employers to ensure attendance of responsible employees at training courses

- **40.** (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to the employer, ask the employer to—
- (a) ensure that all or stated responsible employees of the employer attend an approved fatigue management training course (a **training course**); and
- (b) obtain the certificate mentioned in subregulation (2) for each person who finishes a training course from the trainer who conducted the course; and
- (c) produce each certificate to the Minister for inspection within the time stated in the notice.
- (2) The certificate must state—
- (a) the name and address of the trainer; and
- (b) that the person named in the certificate finished a training course conducted by the trainer; and
- (c) the date of the course.

- (3) The time stated in the notice must be at least 28 days after the notice is given to the employer.
  - (4) The employer must comply with the notice.

## PART 4 DRIVING RECORDS

#### **DIVISION 1—KEY CONCEPTS FOR PART 4**

#### What is a driver's 100 kilometre limit

- **41.** For the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus, the **100 kilometre limit** is the circumference of a notional circle of which—
  - (a) the centre is the driver's base; and
  - (b) the radius is 100 kilometres.

#### What is a driver's base and the garage address of a vehicle

- **42.** (1) The **base** of the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus is the vehicle's garage address.
  - (2) The vehicle's garage address is the principal depot or base of operations of the vehicle.
- (3) However, if the driver operates and receives instructions from another place that is recorded in the driver's logbook as the driver's base, the other place is the driver's base.
- (4) For this regulation, if a driver is a self-employed driver and an employed driver at different times, the driver may have one base as a self-employed driver and another base as an employed driver.
- (5) For this regulation, if a driver has 2 or more employers, the driver may have a different base in relation to each employer.

#### What is local area work

**43.** The driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus is engaged in **local area work** if the driver is driving the vehicle within the driver's 100 kilometre limit.

#### What is non-local area work

**44.** The driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus is engaged in **non-local area work** if the driver is driving the vehicle beyond the driver's 100 kilometre limit.

#### What is a driver's logbook

**45.** A driver's **logbook** is a logbook issued to the driver under regulation 81, and, in this Part, includes a corresponding logbook.

#### What is an approved DSMD

**46.** An **approved DSMD** is an automatic recording device of a type that is approved as a driver-specific monitoring device by the Ministerial Council.

Note: Information about approved DSMDs can be obtained from the National Road Transport Commission, PO Box 13105, Law Courts, Melbourne Vic 3001 or through the National Road Transport Commission web site (URL: www.nrtc.gov.au).

#### **Driving record definitions**

- **47.** (1) A driving record is—
- (a) a logbook; or
- (b) a record made by an approved DSMD under regulation 53(b); or

- (c) a supplementary record; or
- (d) a local area management record.
- (2) A **supplementary record** is a record made under regulation 54 (When and how supplementary records may be made by drivers).
- (3) A **local area management record** is a record made under Division 3 (Driving records for local area work).

#### DIVISION 2—DRIVING RECORDS FOR NON-LOCAL AREA WORK

## Drivers to have logbooks etc

- **48.** (1) A driver must not engage in non-local area work unless the driver has a logbook in which the driver can record information under this Division in accordance with regulation 52 (How information is to be recorded in logbooks).
  - (2) The driver must carry the logbook while engaging in non-local area work.
  - (3) It is a defence to an offence against this regulation if, at the time of the offence—
  - (a) the driver's logbook had been completed, destroyed, lost or stolen; and
  - (b) the driver had not been issued with a replacement logbook; and
  - (c) not more than 2 business days had elapsed since the logbook was completed, destroyed, lost or stolen; and
  - (d) the driver was making a supplementary record in the period.

#### Logbook records to be made by drivers engaged in non-local area work

- **49.** (1) This regulation applies to a driver for a day on which the driver engages in non-local area work.
- (2) Before the driver's first period of driving or work time anywhere on the day, the driver must record the following information in the driver's logbook:
  - (a) the day of the week and date;
  - (b) the driver's name and current driver licence number;
  - (c) the State or Territory where the licence was issued.
- (3) The driver must record the registration number of each heavy truck or commercial bus to be driven anywhere by the driver on the day in his or her logbook before the driver begins to drive the vehicle for the first time on the day.
- (4) Immediately before or after each change of activity on the day, the driver must record the following information in the driver's logbook—
  - (a) the change of activity;
  - (b) the driving time, other work time or rest time spent anywhere by the driver since the last change of activity;

- the time and place of the change of activity; (c)
- if the driver is or becomes a two-up driver—the name and current driver licence number (*d*) of the other driver in the two-up driving arrangement.
- (5) A change of activity for the driver is a change from—
- driving time to other work time; or
- work time (except driving time) to driving time; or *(b)*
- driving time to rest time; or (c)
- (*d*) rest time to driving time; or
- (e) work time (except driving time) to rest time; or
- *(f)* rest time to work time (except driving time); or
- being a solo driver to being a two-up driver; or (g)
- (h) being a two-up driver to being a solo driver.
- (6) However, if subregulation (2), (3) or (4) requires the driver to record information in his or her logbook before beginning to engage in non-local area work on a day, it is a defence to an offence against the subregulation if the driver proves that, at the time of the offence
  - the driver was unaware that the driver would be engaging in non-local area work on the day; and
  - *(b)* the driver recorded the information in his or her logbook as soon as practicable after becoming aware that the driver would be engaging in non-local area work on the day.
- (7) If this regulation (or regulation 50 or 51) applies to 2 drivers who are in a two-up driving arrangement, each driver must separately record information in his or her logbook.

## Additional logbook records to be made before engaging in non-local area work

**50.** (1) In this regulation—

"required information" means the information mentioned in regulation 49(2), (3) and (4) for the period since the start of the driver's last 6 hour rest break (whether or not the rest break was spent in this jurisdiction).

Note: Regulation 49 deals with information for a day on which the driver engages in non-local area work.

- (2) Before a driver begins to engage in non-local area work on a day, the driver must record the required information in his or her logbook.
- (3) However, the driver is not required by subregulation (2) to record information already recorded in compliance with this Division.

## Additional logbook records to be made after engaging in non-local area work

**51.** (1) In this regulation—

"cut-off time" means the start of the driver's next 6 hour rest break, whether or not the rest break is spent in this jurisdiction;

"required information" means the information mentioned in regulation 49(2), (3) and (4).

Note: Regulation 49 deals with information for a day on which the driver engages in non-local area work.

(2) After a driver stops engaging in non-local area work, the driver must continue to record the required information in his or her logbook until the cut-off time.

## How information is to be recorded in logbooks

- 52. The records to be made in a logbook by a driver must be made in the following way—
- (a) the information for each day must be written on a separate daily sheet in a logbook that has not been cancelled by the Minister;
- (b) information must be written on a daily sheet as required by the instructions in the logbook for recording information on daily sheets;
- (c) the daily sheets in the logbook must be used in turn from the front of the logbook;
- (d) each daily sheet must be signed and dated by the driver;
- (e) information must be written on a daily sheet with enough pressure to ensure that a readable record of the information appears on the duplicate daily sheet;
- (f) other information must be written in the logbook as required by the instructions in the logbook for the recording of the information.

#### **Exceptions to logbook record requirements**

- 53. Regulations 48 to 52 do not apply to a driver in relation to information if—
- (a) regulation 54 (When and how supplementary records may be made by drivers) applies to the driver and the driver records the information in accordance with the regulation; or
- (b) the driver records the information using an approved DSMD that is operating as required by the manufacturer's instructions.

## When and how supplementary records may be made by drivers

- **54.** (1) This regulation applies to a driver if—
- (a) the driver's logbook is completed, destroyed, lost or stolen; and
- (b) the driver has not been issued with a replacement logbook; and
- (c) 2 business days have not elapsed since the logbook was completed, destroyed, lost or stolen.

- (2) This regulation also applies to a driver if—
- the driver is not carrying a logbook in which the driver can record information under this Division in accordance with regulation 52 (How information is to be recorded in logbooks); and
- (b) the driver is driving a heavy truck or commercial bus fitted with an approved DSMD that is not operating as required by the manufacturer's instructions; and
- 2 business days have not elapsed since the DSMD stopped operating as required by those (c) instructions.
- (3) The driver must record information required by regulations 48 to 51 in a way that is at least as accurate and understandable as, and in a similar form to, records made in a logbook.

#### DIVISION 3—DRIVING RECORDS FOR LOCAL AREA WORK

#### **Application of Division 3**

**55.** This Division applies in relation to a driver who is engaged in local area work.

## Driving records to be made by employers of drivers

- **56.** (1) The employer of an employed driver must record the following information:
- the driver's name:
- the date of each day when the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus;
- an estimate of the driver's total driving time, total work time and total rest time on each day when the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus;
- an estimate of the driver's total driving time, total work time and total rest time for each week in which the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) The records may be made as part of other records made by the employer.

## Driving records to be made by self-employed drivers

- **57.** (1) A self-employed driver must record the following information:
- the date of each day when the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus;
- an estimate of the driver's total driving time, total work time and total rest time on each day when the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus;
- an estimate of the driver's total driving time, total work time and total rest time for each week in which the driver drives a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (2) The records may be made as part of other records made by the driver.

#### DIVISION 4—INSPECTION OF DRIVING RECORDS

#### Driving records—non-local area work

58. (1) If a driver is engaged in non-local area work, or has been engaged in non-local area work at any time in the last 28 days, the driver must, while driving a heavy truck or commercial bus, carry his or her driving records for the last 28 days, irrespective of the number of days in that period on which the driver drove a heavy truck or commercial bus.

- (2) If an authorised person suspects on reasonable grounds that a driver is engaged in non-local area work, or has been engaged in non-local area work at any time in the last 28 days, the authorised person may ask the driver to produce for inspection his or her driving records for the last 28 days, irrespective of the number of days in that period on which the driver drove a heavy truck or commercial bus.
- (3) The driver must immediately produce his or her driving records for the last 28 days for inspection by the authorised person.
- (4) It is a defence to an offence against this regulation if, at the time of the offence, the driving records had been destroyed, lost or stolen.
- (5) The authorised person may annotate the driving records, and may sign and date an annotation.
  - (6) In this regulation—

## "driving record"—

- (a) includes a corresponding driving record; but
- (b) does not include a local area management record.

#### DIVISION 5—DRIVING RECORDS TO BE KEPT

#### **Definitions for Division 5**

**59.** In this Division—

"driving record" includes a corresponding driving record;

"local area management record" includes a local area management record made under a corresponding law for Division 3.

#### Driving records made by employed drivers—non-local area work

- **60.** An employed driver must give a copy of the driver's driving records for non-local area work on a day to the driver's employer (or, if the driver has 2 or more employers on the day, a copy of the records to each employer)—
  - (a) if the driver and employer are both registered participants in TFMS—within 28 days after that day; and
  - (b) in any other case—within 21 days after that day.

## Driving records for non-local area work to be kept

- **61.** (1) An employer must keep the copy of a driver's driving records given to the employer for the driver's non-local area work on a day for at least 12 months after that day at the place where the employer manages the employment of the driver.
- (2) A self-employed driver must keep the driver's driving records for non-local area work on a day for at least 12 months after that day at the driver's base.

## Local area management records to be kept

**62.** (1) An employer must keep local area management records made in relation to a driver for a day for at least 12 months after that day at the place where the employer manages the employment of the driver.

## Minister may ask for driving records to be produced

- **63.** (1) The Minister may, by written notice given to a person who is required under this Division to keep driving records, ask the person to produce stated driving records to the Minister for inspection within the time stated in the notice.
  - (2) The time stated in the notice must be at least 7 days after the notice is given to the person.
  - (3) The person must comply with the notice.

#### DIVISION 6—OTHER OFFENCES BY DRIVERS AND EMPLOYERS

## Minister to be told if logbook lost etc

- **64.** (1) If a logbook issued to a driver is destroyed, lost or stolen, the driver must tell the Minister, in writing, as soon as practicable (but within 2 business days) after becoming aware that the logbook has been destroyed, lost or stolen.
- (2) If a lost or stolen driver's logbook (the **earlier logbook**) is found or returned to the driver after a replacement logbook has been issued to the driver, the driver must—
  - (a) immediately cancel any unused daily sheets in the earlier logbook by writing 'cancelled' in large letters across each unused sheet; and
  - (b) give the earlier logbook to the Minister as soon as practicable (but within 3 business days) after the logbook is found or returned.

#### Drivers must not have more than 1 logbook

**65.** A driver must not have in his or her possession more than 1 logbook in which information can be recorded on a daily sheet.

#### Possession of purported driving records etc prohibited

- **66.** (1) A driver or employer must not have in his or her possession something purporting to be a driving record or driver certification manual if the driver or employer knows, or reasonably ought to know, that it is not a driving record or driver certification manual.
  - (2) In this regulation—

"driver certification manual" includes a corresponding driver certification manual;

"driving record" includes a corresponding driving record.

#### Drivers to tell employers of incorrectly operating approved DSMDs etc

**67.** An employed driver must tell his or her employer as soon as practicable if the driver knows or suspects on reasonable grounds that an approved DSMD fitted in a heavy truck or commercial bus driven by the driver for the employer is not operating as required by the manufacturer's specifications.

Note: **Approved DSMD** is defined in regulation 46.

#### **DIVISION 7—GENERAL DRIVING RECORD OFFENCES**

#### **Definitions for Division 7**

**68.** In this Division—

"driving record" includes a corresponding driving record;

"entry", in a driving record, includes an annotation made in the record by an authorised person.

## False and misleading driving records etc prohibited

- **69.** A person must not—
- (a) make an entry in a driving record that the person knows, or reasonably ought to know, is false or misleading in a material respect; or
- (b) deface or change an entry in a driving record that the person knows, or reasonably ought to know, is correct.

## False representation of driving records prohibited

**70.** A person must not falsely represent that a driving record, or an entry in a driving record, was made by the person.

#### Making entries in someone else's driving records prohibited

- **71.** (1) A person (other than an authorised person) must not make an entry in someone else's driving record.
- (2) Subregulation (1) does not apply if the person is the nominee of a driver and makes the entry in the driver's logbook as required by a logbook exemption applying to the driver.

## Destruction of certain driving records prohibited

**72.** If a driving record is required under this Part to be kept for a particular period by a person, the person or someone else must not destroy the record before the end of the period.

## Interference with approved DSMDs prohibited

73. A person must not interfere with the operation of an approved DSMD.

Note: **Approved DSMD** is defined in regulation 46.

## PART 5 EXTENDED OFFENCES

#### **Definitions for Part 5**

74. In this Part—

"core driving hours offence" means an offence against any of the following provisions or a corresponding law—

- regulation 19 (Regulated hours—maximum driving times)
- · regulation 20 (Regulated hours—maximum work times)
- · regulation 21 (Regulated hours—required minimum rest times)
- regulation 28 (TFMS—maximum driving times)
- regulation 29 (TFMS—maximum work times)
- regulation 30 (TFMS—required minimum rest times);

"driving record offence" means an offence against a provision of Part 4 (Driving records) or a corresponding law;

"**speeding offence**" means an offence against the law of this or another jurisdiction that involves driving a heavy truck or commercial bus at a speed over the speed-limit.

#### Certain requests etc prohibited

**75.** A person must not ask, direct or require, directly or indirectly, a driver to do something if the person knows, or reasonably ought to know, that by complying the driver would, or would be likely to, commit—

- (a) a core driving hours offence; or
- (b) a driving record offence; or
- (c) a speeding offence.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

Example of requirement

A requirement that is an express or implied condition of the driver's engagement.

#### Special obligation of consignors

**76.** A consignor must not engage someone to transport goods by road if the consignor knows, or reasonably ought to know, that by complying with an express or implied condition of the engagement the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus transporting the goods would, or would be likely to, commit—

- (a) a core driving hours offence; or
- (b) a driving record offence; or

(c) a speeding offence.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

Note: **Consignor** is defined in regulation 11.

## Special obligation of employers

77. An employer must not allow an employed driver to drive a heavy truck or commercial bus for the employer if the employer knows, or reasonably ought to know, that by driving the vehicle the driver would, or would be likely to, commit a core driving hours offence.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

## Special obligations—rostering and scheduling

**78.** (1) An employer, or a responsible employee of an employer, must not roster driving, work or rest time of an employed driver if the employer or responsible employee knows, or reasonably ought to know, that by complying with the roster the driver would, or would be likely to, commit a core driving hours offence.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

Note: **Responsible employee** is defined in subregulation 10(2).

- (2) An employer, or a responsible employee of an employer, must not schedule the transport of people or goods by road if the employer or employee knows, or reasonably ought to know, that by complying with the schedule the driver of the heavy truck or commercial bus transporting the people or goods would, or would be likely to, commit—
  - (a) a core driving hours offence; or
  - (b) a speeding offence.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

## PART 6 ISSUE OF LOGBOOKS

## Logbooks

- 79. (1) A logbook is a logbook issued by the Minister that complies with this regulation.
- (2) The logbook must contain—
- (a) a unique identifying number for the logbook; and
- (b) sequentially numbered sheets for making daily records; and
- (c) provision for recording information on the daily sheets; and
- (d) a duplicate of—
  - (i) each daily sheet; and
  - (ii) any application form in the logbook; and
- (e) instructions for use of the logbook.
- (3) The logbook may contain an application form for the issue of a logbook.
- (4) When the logbook is used as required by the instructions in the logbook, information written on a daily sheet or application form must be automatically copied on the duplicate daily sheet or application form.
  - (5) The logbook must be in the form that is approved by the Ministerial Council.

#### **Applications for logbooks**

- **80.** (1) A driver who wishes to be issued with a logbook (including a replacement logbook) must apply in person to the Minister using the application form provided by the Minister.
- (2) If the application is for a logbook to replace a logbook (the **existing logbook**) that has been previously issued to the driver, the driver must give the existing logbook to the Minister with the application unless the existing logbook has been destroyed, lost or stolen.
  - (3) If the driver gives the existing logbook to the Minister, the Minister must—
  - (a) cancel any unused daily sheets in the logbook; and
  - (b) return the logbook to the driver when the Minister issues the replacement logbook to the driver.
- (4) If the application is for a logbook to replace a logbook that has been destroyed, lost or stolen, the application must—
  - (a) state the logbook's number and that it has been destroyed, lost or stolen; and
  - (b) briefly outline the circumstances of the destruction, loss or theft.
- (5) An application form provided by the Minister must be in the form that is approved by the Ministerial Council.

## Issue of logbooks

- 81. (1) The Minister must issue a logbook to a driver if the driver—
- (a) applies to the Minister in accordance with regulation 80; and
- (b) identifies himself or herself by showing the driver's current driver licence to the Minister; and
- (c) pays an application fee of \$14.
- (2) If the Minister issues a logbook to a driver, it must annotate the logbook to show the date, time and place of issue.
  - (3) The Minister may also annotate the logbook in other ways.

## PART 7 TFMS ADMINISTRATION

## DIVISION 1—REGISTRATION OF TFMS PARTICIPANTS AND ISSUE OF DRIVER **CERTIFICATION MANUALS**

### **Applications for registration**

- 82. (1) If an employed or self-employed heavy truck driver wishes to be registered as a driver participant in TFMS, the driver may apply to the Minister using the application form in a driver certification manual issued by the Minister.
- (2) The application must include the required medical certificate and required training certificate and must be in duplicate.
- (3) If the employer of a heavy truck driver wishes to be registered as an employer participant in TFMS, the employer may apply to the Minister using the application form provided by the Minister.
  - (4) An applicant must pay an application fee of \$50.

#### **Driver certification manuals**

- 83. (1) A driver certification manual is a manual issued by the Minister that complies with this regulation.
  - (2) The driver certification manual must contain—
  - an application form for registration as a driver participant in TFMS, including provision for the required medical and training certificates; and
  - (b) provision for a unique identifying number for the manual; and
  - provision for other medical and training certificates; and (c)
  - provision for recording employers' names and the addresses of places where the employers manage the employment of drivers; and
  - provision for recording whether an employer is registered as an employer participant in TFMS and, if so, for recording the employer's TFMS registration number; and
  - instructions for use of the manual. *(f)*

#### What is a required medical certificate

- 84. (1) For regulation 82, the required medical certificate is a certificate of a doctor who examined the applicant in accordance with the required medical standards within 12 months before the making of the application.
  - (2) The medical certificate must state—
  - the name and address of the doctor; and
  - that the doctor examined the applicant in accordance with the required medical standards; and
  - that the applicant met the required medical standards; and

(d) the date of the medical examination.

#### What is a required training certificate

- **85.** (1) For regulation 82, the **required training certificate** is a certificate by the trainer who conducted an approved fatigue management training course finished by the applicant.
  - (2) The training certificate must state—
  - (a) the name and address of the trainer; and
  - (b) that the applicant finished an approved fatigue management training course conducted by the trainer; and
  - (c) the date of the course.

## TFMS registration and issue of driver certification manuals

- **86.** (1) The Minister may, on application made in accordance with regulation 82—
- (a) if the application is for registration as a driver participant in TFMS—register the applicant as a driver participant in TFMS; and
- (b) if the application is for registration as an employer participant in TFMS—register the applicant as an employer participant in TFMS.
- (2) However, the Minister must not register the applicant if the applicant was previously registered as a participant in TFMS or a corresponding TFMS and the applicant's registration was cancelled less than 3 months before the applicant again applied for registration.
  - (3) After registering an applicant as a driver participant in TFMS, the Minister must—
  - (a) give a unique identifying TFMS registration number to the applicant; and
  - (b) annotate the applicant's driver certification manual to show the TFMS registration number and the date, time and place of registration; and
  - (c) issue the manual to the applicant.
  - (4) After registering an applicant as an employer participant in TFMS, the Minister must—
  - (a) give a TFMS registration number to the applicant; and
  - (b) tell the applicant in writing of the number.
- (5) If the Minister decides not to register an applicant, the Minister must give the applicant written reasons for the decision and tell the applicant in writing that the applicant may apply to have the decision reconsidered.

#### Applications for replacement driver certification manuals

**87.** (1) If a driver who is registered as a driver participant in TFMS wishes to be issued with a replacement driver certification manual, the driver must apply to the Minister using the application form provided by the Minister.

- (2) If the application is for a driver certification manual to replace a driver certification manual that has been destroyed, lost or stolen, the application must—
  - (a) state that the manual has been destroyed, lost or stolen; and
  - (b) briefly outline the circumstances of the destruction, loss or theft.
- (3) The Minister may require the driver to give the driver's current driver certification manual to the Minister with the application unless the manual has been destroyed, lost or stolen.
- (4) If the driver gives the current driver certification manual to the Minister, the Minister must return the manual to the driver when the Minister issues a replacement driver certification manual to the driver.

## Issue of replacement driver certification manuals

- **88.** (1) The Minister must issue a replacement driver certification manual to a driver if the driver—
  - (a) applies to the Minister in accordance with regulation 87; and
  - (b) pays an application fee of \$10.
- (2) If the Minister issues a replacement driver certification manual to a driver, the Minister must annotate the manual to show the driver's TFMS registration number and the date, time and place of the driver's TFMS registration.
  - (3) The Minister may also annotate the driver certification manual in other ways.

#### DIVISION 2—CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF TFMS PARTICIPANTS

#### Cancellation of TFMS registration on application

- **89.** (1) The Minister may cancel the registration of a person as a driver or employer participant in TFMS if the person applies in writing to the Minister for its cancellation.
  - (2) The Minister must tell the person in writing of the Minister's decision.
- (3) If the Minister decides to cancel the registration, the cancellation takes effect on the day when the person is told of the decision by the Minister.
- (4) If the Minister decides not to cancel the registration, the Minister must give the applicant written reasons for the decision and tell the applicant in writing that the applicant may apply to have the decision reconsidered.

# Grounds for cancellation of TFMS registration except on application

- **90.** The grounds for cancellation of the registration of a person as a driver or employer participant in TFMS, except on application, are—
  - (a) that the person's application for registration was false or misleading in a material respect; or
  - (b) that the person has contravened the Act, these regulations or a corresponding law; or
  - (c) if the person is registered as a driver participant in TFMS—that the person no longer meets the required medical standards.

## Cancellation of TFMS registration except on application

- **91.** (1) This regulation applies if the Minister considers that a ground exists to cancel the registration of a person as a driver or employer participant in TFMS, except on application.
  - (2) The Minister must give a written notice to the person that—
  - (a) tells the person of the proposed cancellation; and
  - (b) states the ground for the proposed cancellation; and
  - (c) outlines the facts and other circumstances forming the basis for the ground; and
  - (d) invites the person to state in writing, within a stated time of at least 14 days after the notice is given to the person, why the registration should not be cancelled.
- (3) If, after considering any written statement made within the stated time, the Minister is reasonably satisfied that a ground exists to cancel the registration, the Minister may cancel the registration.
  - (4) The Minister must tell the person in writing of the Minister's decision.
- (5) If the Minister decides to cancel the registration, the Minister must also give the person written reasons for the decision and tell the person in writing that the person may apply to have the decision reconsidered.
  - (6) The cancellation takes effect—
  - (a) when the person is told by the Minister of the decision and given reasons for the decision; or
  - (b) if the Minister tells the person that the cancellation takes effect at a later time—that time.

#### Notice of cancellation of TFMS registration of employers

**92.** If the registration of a person as an employer participant in TFMS is cancelled, the Minister must give written notice of the cancellation to each employed driver of the employer who is registered as a driver participant in TFMS.

Note: TFMS driving, work and rest times apply to an employed driver only if the driver is registered as a driver participant and the driver's employer is registered as an employer participant—see regulation 27.

#### Return of driver certification manuals

- **93.** (1) If the registration of a person as a driver participant in TFMS is cancelled, the Minister may, by written notice, ask the person to return his or her driver certification manual to the Minister.
- (2) The person must return the manual within 7 days after the notice is given to the person or, if a longer period is stated in the notice, within the longer period.

# DIVISION 3—REVIEW AND AUDIT OF PARTICIPATION OF EMPLOYERS AND SELF-EMPLOYED DRIVERS

## **Application of Division 3**

- **94.** This Division applies to a person (the **participant**) who is—
- (a) registered as an employer participant in TFMS; or

(b) registered as a driver participant in TFMS and is, for at least part of the time spent as a driver, a self-employed driver.

# Reviews of participation required

- **95.** (1) The participant must arrange for a review of his or her participation in TFMS as an employer or self-employed driver to be conducted—
  - (a) within 9 months after the participant's registration as a driver or employer participant in TFMS; and
  - (b) before the second and each later anniversary of the registration.
- (2) The person conducting the review must report in writing to the participant whether the participant's management practices promote compliance with Part 3 and other relevant provisions of these regulations by the participant and, if the participant is an employer participant in TFMS, by the participant's employed drivers and responsible employees.

## Reports of reviews

- **96.** (1) The participant must keep the report of a review for at least 2 years after it is given to the participant.
- (2) The Minister may, by written notice given to the participant within the 2 year period, ask the participant to give a copy of the report to the Minister within the time stated in the notice.
- (3) The time stated in the notice must be at least 7 days after the notice is given to the participant.
  - (4) The participant must comply with the notice.

#### Minister may audit participation

- **97.** (1) The Minister may audit the management practices adopted by the participant to promote compliance with Part 3 and other relevant provisions of these regulations by the participant and, if the participant is an employer participant in TFMS, by the participant's employed drivers and responsible employees.
- (2) For the audit, the Minister may, by written notice given to the participant, ask the participant to give to the Minister within the time stated in the notice—
  - (a) for an employer participant—records about any of the following kept by the participant:
    - (i) the receipt and storage of records given to the participant by employed drivers for these regulations;
    - (ii) the medical examinations undergone by the participant's employed drivers for these regulations;
    - (iii) the approved fatigue management training courses attended by the participant's employed drivers and responsible employees;
    - (iv) the management of the participant's employed drivers, including their driving, work and rest times; and
  - (b) for a driver participant—records about any of the following kept by the participant:
    - (i) the storage of records made by the participant for these regulations;

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- (ii) the medical examinations undergone by the participant for these regulations;
- (iii) the approved fatigue management training courses attended by the participant;
- (iv) the management of the driving, work and rest times of the participant.
- (3) The time stated in the notice must be at least 7 days after the notice is given to the participant.
  - (4) The participant must comply with the notice.
  - (5) After examining the records, the Minister—
  - (a) may copy some or all of the records; and
  - (b) must return the records to the participant.

#### **DIVISION 4—RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT TFMS REGISTRATION**

## **Recommendations by Minister**

- **98.** (1) This regulation applies if the Minister considers that a ground exists for a corresponding authority to cancel the registration of a person as a driver or employer participant, or as both a driver and employer participant, in a corresponding TFMS.
- (2) The Minister may recommend in writing that the corresponding authority cancel the registration.
- (3) The Minister must give written reasons to the corresponding authority for the recommendation.

#### Recommendations by corresponding authorities

**99.** The Minister must have regard to a written recommendation by a corresponding authority that the Minister cancel the registration of a person as a driver or employer participant, or as both a driver and employer participant, in TFMS.

# PART 8 EXEMPTIONS

#### **DIVISION 1—KEY CONCEPTS FOR PART 8**

## What is an exemption

**100.** An **exemption** is an emergency, Fatigue Management Scheme (**FMS**), limited driving hours or logbook exemption.

# What is an emergency exemption

101. (1) The emergency-related provisions are—

- · Part 2 (Regulated hours)
- Part 3 (Transitional fatigue management scheme), except Divisions 3 (Other obligations of driver participants) and 4 (Obligations of employer participants)
- Part 4 (Driving records), except Division 7 (General driving record offences).
- (2) An **emergency exemption** is an exemption in force under regulation 106 from the emergency-related provisions.

# What is an FMS exemption

**102.** (1) The **regulated hours provisions** are—

- · Part 2 (Regulated hours)
- Part 4 (Driving records), except Division 7 (General driving record offences).
- (2) An **FMS exemption** is an exemption in force under regulation 108 from the regulated hours provisions.

# What is a limited driving hours exemption

103. (1) A maximum driving hours provision is—

- (a) regulation 19 (Regulated hours—maximum driving times) so far as it relates to relevant period 1 or 2; or
- (b) regulation 28 (TFMS—maximum driving times) so far as it relates to relevant period 1 or 2
- (2) A **limited driving hours exemption** is an exemption in force under regulation 110 from a maximum driving hours provision.

#### What is a logbook exemption

- **104.** (1) The **logbook provisions** are Part 4 (Driving records), Division 2 (Driving records for non-local area work).
- (2) A **logbook exemption** is an exemption in force under regulation 112 or 113 from the logbook provisions.

#### **DIVISION 2—EMERGENCY EXEMPTIONS**

#### **Definitions for Division 2**

105. In this Division—

"emergency" means an event (or possible event) that—

- (a) endangers, or may endanger, life, property or the environment; or
- (b) has disrupted, or may disrupt, communications, energy, water supply or sewerage services; or
- (c) is declared to be an emergency or disaster by—
  - (i) the Commonwealth or a State or Territory; or
  - (ii) a Commonwealth, State or Territory authority responsible for managing responses to emergencies or disasters;

Examples of an emergency

Fire, explosion and natural disaster.

"emergency service" includes an ambulance service, fire brigade, police service or force or any disaster or emergency organisation of the Commonwealth or a State or Territory.

#### **Emergency exemptions**

**106.** (1) An application may be made, in accordance with subregulation (2) and regulation 120, for an exemption from the emergency-related provisions for a person or class of persons who act for an emergency service, in relation to an emergency.

Note: The **emergency-related provisions** are defined in regulation 101.

- (2) The application must—
- (a) specify the person or class of persons covered by the application; and
- (b) describe the emergency to which the application relates.
- (3) The Minister may, on the application, exempt a person or class of persons from the emergency-related provisions in relation to the emergency.

# Effect of emergency exemptions

**107.** The emergency-related provisions do not apply to a person or class of persons in relation to an emergency if an emergency exemption applies to the person or class of persons in relation to the emergency.

#### **DIVISION 3—FMS EXEMPTIONS**

# FMS exemptions

**108.** (1) An application may be made, in accordance with subregulation (2) and regulation 120, for an exemption from the regulated hours provisions.

Note: **Regulated hours provisions** is defined in regulation 102.

- (2) The application must—
- (a) specify the person or class of persons covered by the application; and
- (b) state the driver fatigue management practices that would be followed by the specified person or class of persons if the exemption were given; and
- (c) show that the practices would be at least as effective as the regulated hours provisions.
- (3) The Minister may, on the application, exempt a person or class of persons from the regulated hours provisions if the Minister considers that—
  - (a) the driver fatigue management practices stated in the application would, if followed, be at least as effective as the regulated hours provisions in managing driver fatigue; and
  - (b) the person or class of persons are likely to follow the stated practices effectively and consistently.

## Effect of FMS exemptions

**109.** The regulated hours provisions do not apply to a person or class of persons to whom an FMS exemption applies.

#### **DIVISION 4—LIMITED DRIVING HOURS EXEMPTIONS**

#### Limited driving hours exemptions

**110.** (1) An application may be made, in accordance with subregulation (2) and regulation 120, for an exemption from a maximum driving hours provision.

Note: **Maximum driving hours provision** is defined in regulation 103.

- (2) The application must—
- (a) specify the person or class of persons covered by the application; and
- (b) state the driver fatigue management practices that would be followed by the specified person or class of persons if the exemption were given; and
- (c) show that the practices would be at least as effective as the maximum driving hours provision.
- (3) The Minister may, on the application, exempt a person or class of persons from the maximum driving hours provision if the Minister considers that—
  - (a) compliance with the provision would be an unreasonable restriction on operations to which the application relates; and
  - (b) the driver fatigue management practices stated in the application would, if followed, be at least as effective as the provision in managing driver fatigue; and
  - (c) the person or class of persons are likely to follow the stated practices effectively and consistently.

# Effect of limited driving hours exemptions

111. A maximum driving hours provision does not apply to a person or class of persons to whom a limited driving hours exemption applies.

#### **DIVISION 5—LOGBOOK EXEMPTIONS**

#### Logbook exemptions—literacy

**112.** (1) An application may be made by a driver, in accordance with this regulation and regulation 120, for exemption from the logbook provisions.

Note: **Logbook provisions** is defined in regulation 104.

- (2) The application must nominate a person (the **nominee**) to make written driving records for the driver.
  - (3) The nominee must agree to the nomination in writing.
  - (4) The nominee's agreement must accompany, or be included in, the application.
- (5) The Minister may exempt the driver from the logbook provisions if the Minister considers that the driver cannot make the records in the driver's logbook because of an English literacy disability.

#### Other logbook exemptions

- **113.** (1) An application may be made, in accordance with subregulation (2) and regulation 120, for an exemption from the logbook provisions.
  - (2) The application must—
  - (a) specify the person or class of persons covered by the application; and
  - (b) state how, if the exemption were given, records would be made in relation to the specified person or class of persons that are no less complete and accurate than records made in accordance with the logbook provisions.
- (3) The Minister may, on the application, exempt a person or class of persons from the logbook provisions if the Minister considers that records will be made in relation to the person or class or persons that are no less complete and accurate than records made in accordance with the logbook provisions.

#### Effect of logbook exemptions

**114.** The logbook provisions do not apply to a person or class of persons to whom a logbook exemption applies.

# DIVISION 6—VARIATION AND CANCELLATION OF EXEMPTIONS

#### Variation and cancellation of exemptions on application

- 115. (1) The Minister may, on application made in accordance with regulation 120, vary or cancel an exemption.
- (2) The variation or cancellation takes effect on the day when the applicant is told of the decision by the Minister.

# Grounds for variation of exemptions except on application

- **116.** The grounds for variation of an exemption, except on application, are—
- (a) that the application for the exemption was false or misleading in a material respect but the circumstances do not require its cancellation; or

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- (b) that a person to whom the exemption applies is no longer suitable to be a person to whom the exemption applies without variation because the person has contravened the Act, these regulations or a corresponding law; or
- (c) that—
  - (i) since the exemption was given, a change has happened in relation to something the Minister must consider in deciding whether to give an exemption of that kind; and
  - (ii) the exemption would have been given as it is proposed to be varied if the change had happened before the exemption was given.

# Grounds for cancellation of exemptions except on application

- 117. The grounds for cancellation of an exemption, except on application, are—
- (a) that the application for the exemption was false or misleading in a material respect; or
- (b) that a person to whom the exemption applies is no longer suitable to be a person to whom the exemption applies because the person has contravened the Act, these regulations or a corresponding law; or
- (c) that—
  - (i) since the exemption was given, a change has happened in relation to something the Minister must consider in deciding whether to give an exemption of that kind; and
  - (ii) the exemption would not have been given if the change had happened before the exemption was given.

# Variation and cancellation of exemptions except on application

- **118.** (1) This regulation applies if the Minister considers that a ground exists to vary or cancel an exemption, except on application.
- (2) The Minister must give the person to whom the exemption was given a written notice that—
  - (a) if the Minister proposes to vary the exemption—tells the person of the proposed variation; and
  - (b) if the Minister proposes to cancel the exemption—tells the person of the proposed cancellation; and
  - (c) states the ground for the proposed variation or cancellation; and
  - (d) outlines the facts and other circumstances forming the basis for the ground; and
  - (e) invites the person to state in writing, within a stated time of at least 14 days after the notice is given to the person, why the exemption should not be varied or cancelled.
- (3) If, after considering any written statement made within the stated time, the Minister is reasonably satisfied that a ground exists to take the proposed action, the Minister may—
  - (a) if the proposed action is to vary the exemption in a stated way—vary the exemption in that way; and

- (b) if the proposed action is to cancel the exemption—cancel the exemption or vary the exemption in any way.
- (4) The Minister must tell the person in writing of the Minister's decision.
- (5) If the Minister decides to vary or cancel the exemption, the Minister must also give the person written reasons for the decision and tell the person in writing that the person may apply to have the decision reconsidered.
  - (6) The variation or cancellation takes effect—
  - (a) when the person is told by the Minister of the decision and given reasons for the decision; or
  - (b) if the Minister tells the person that the variation or cancellation takes effect at a later time—that time.

#### **Return of exemptions etc**

- **119.** (1) If an exemption given to a person is varied or cancelled, the Minister may, by written notice, ask the person to return the exemption to the Minister.
- (2) The person must comply with the notice within 7 days after the notice is given to the person or, if a longer period is stated in the notice, within the longer period.
- (3) If the exemption has not been cancelled, the Minister must give the person a replacement exemption.

## **DIVISION 7—EXEMPTIONS GENERALLY**

#### **Applications for exemption**

- **120.** (1) An application for an exemption, or for variation or cancellation of an exemption, must be made to the Minister in writing.
- (2) However, an application for an emergency exemption, or for variation of an emergency exemption, may be made to the Minister orally in urgent circumstances.
  - (3) A written application for an exemption (except an emergency exemption) must state—
  - (a) the full name, and TFMS registration number (if any), of the applicant; and
  - (b) the exemption to which the application relates; and
  - (c) if the applicant is a driver—the address of the driver's base; and
  - (d) if the applicant is an employer—the address of the place where the employer manages the employment of drivers covered by the application.
- (4) In an application for an exemption, the applicant may state the period for which the exemption is sought and any conditions to which the exemption is sought to be subject.
  - (5) If the application is a written application for variation or cancellation of an exemption—
  - (a) the applicant must give the exemption to the Minister with the application; and

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- (b) the application must—
  - (i) for an application for variation of an exemption—state clearly the variation sought; and
  - (ii) outline why the exemption should be varied or cancelled.
- (6) The Minister may require the applicant to give the Minister any necessary additional information.
- (7) If the application is made in writing, a requirement under subregulation (6) must be made by written notice given to the applicant.

#### **Decisions by Minister on exemption applications**

- **121.** (1) The Minister must decide an application for an exemption, or for variation or cancellation of an exemption, as soon as practicable after the Minister receives the application.
- (2) If the Minister decides to give the applicant an exemption, the Minister must give the applicant a written exemption.
- (3) If the Minister decides to vary an exemption on application, the Minister must give the applicant a written replacement exemption.
  - (4) In any other case, the Minister must tell the applicant in writing of the Minister's decision.
- (5) If the Minister does not make the decision sought by the applicant, the Minister must also give the applicant written reasons for the Minister's decision and tell the applicant in writing that the applicant may apply to have the Minister's decision reconsidered.

#### **Duration of exemptions**

- **122.** (1) An exemption takes effect on the day when the applicant is told of the Minister's decision to give the exemption.
  - (2) An exemption applies for the period (not longer than 3 years) stated in the exemption.

#### **Conditions of exemptions**

123. An exemption may be given subject to a condition stated in the exemption.

# Replacement of lost etc exemptions

- **124.** (1) If the Minister is satisfied that an exemption given to a person by the Minister has been defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen, the Minister must give the person a replacement exemption as soon as practicable.
- (2) If the Minister decides not to give a replacement exemption to a person who applies to the Minister for a replacement exemption, the Minister must give the person written reasons for the decision and tell the person that the person may apply to have the decision reconsidered.

#### Failure to comply with conditions of exemptions

**125.** A person to whom an exemption is given must not contravene a condition of the exemption.

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# Minister to tell corresponding authorities of certain decisions

- **126.** (1) If the Minister gives an exemption to a person, the Minister must tell each corresponding authority and give the corresponding authority details of the exemption.
- (2) If the Minister varies or cancels an exemption, the Minister must tell each corresponding authority.

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# PART 9 ENFORCEMENT, REVIEW AND OTHER MATTERS

#### **DIVISION 1—PROVISIONS ABOUT OFFENCES**

#### Deciding whether persons ought reasonably to have known

**127.** If, in a prosecution for an offence against these regulations, it is relevant to prove that someone ought reasonably to have known something, the issue must be decided having regard to—

- (a) the person's abilities, experience, qualifications and training; and
- (b) the circumstances of the offence.

# Limited jeopardy

128. (1) In this regulation—

"day" means a day of the week;

"fortnight" means a period of 14 days beginning on a Monday;

"month" means a period of 28 days beginning on a Monday;

"regulated hours offence provision" means any of the following provisions:

- regulation 19 (Regulated hours—maximum driving times)
- · regulation 20 (Regulated hours—maximum work times)
- regulation 21 (Regulated hours—required minimum rest times);

"TFMS offence provision" means any of the following provisions:

- regulation 28 (TFMS—maximum driving times)
- regulation 29 (TFMS—maximum work times)
- regulation 30 (TFMS—required minimum rest times);

"week" means a period of 7 days beginning on a Monday.

- (2) A driver is not liable for more than—
- (a) 3 offences against a particular regulated hours offence provision for any relevant period 1 on the same day; or
- (b) 2 offences against a particular regulated hours offence provision for any relevant period 2 on the same day; or
- (c) 2 offences against a particular regulated hours offence provision for any relevant period 3 in the same week; or
- (d) 4 offences against regulation 21 for any relevant period 4 in the same month.

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- (3) A driver is not liable for more than—
- (a) 3 offences against a particular TFMS offence provision for any relevant period 1 on the same day; or
- (b) 2 offences against a particular TFMS offence provision for any relevant period 2 on the same day; or
- (c) 2 offences against a particular TFMS offence provision for any relevant period 3 in the same fortnight.
- (4) A reference in this regulation to a relevant period is—
- (a) in relation to an offence against a regulated hours offence provision—a reference to a relevant period within the meaning given by regulation 18; or
- (b) in relation to an offence against a TFMS offence provision—a reference to a relevant period within the meaning given by regulation 26.

#### General offence and penalty and penalty for bodies corporate

- **129.** (1) A person who contravenes or fails to comply with a provision of these regulations is guilty of an offence and, if no penalty is specifically fixed by the provision, is liable to a penalty not exceeding \$1 250.
- (2) The maximum penalty that a court may impose for an offence against these regulations that is committed by a body corporate is five times the maximum penalty that the court could, but for this subregulation, impose as a penalty for the offence.

## **DIVISION 2—ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT POWERS**

#### **Information about exemptions**

- **130.** (1) An authorised person may ask the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus whether an exemption applies to the driver.
- (2) If the driver claims that an exemption applies to the driver, the authorised person may ask the driver—
  - (a) what kind of exemption applies to the driver; and
  - (b) to produce the exemption, or an exact copy, for inspection.
  - (3) Subregulation (5) applies to the driver if—
  - (a) the driver does not immediately produce the exemption, or an exact copy, for inspection when asked to produce the exemption by the authorised person; or
  - (b) the driver does not answer a question that the authorised person asks the driver under subregulation (1) or (2).
- (4) However, subregulation (5) does not apply if the driver has not yet received the exemption or an exact copy of the exemption.

(5) For the application of Part 2 (Regulated hours) or 3 (Transitional fatigue management scheme) to the driver, the driver is taken not to have been at any time in the last 336 hours a person to whom the exemption applies.

#### Example

If, for a relevant period under Part 2, the driver's total driving time exceeds the driver's maximum driving time, the driver can be dealt with for an offence against regulation 19 (regulated hours—maximum driving times), whether or not an FMS or limited driving hours exemption applies to the driver.

# (6)In this regulation—

"exact copy", of an exemption, means a copy that is identical in all material respects with the exemption.

#### Information about TFMS etc

- **131.** (1) An authorised person may ask the driver of a heavy truck whether the driver is registered as a driver participant in TFMS.
- (2) If the driver claims to be registered as a driver participant in TFMS, the authorised person may ask the driver—
  - (a) to produce his or her current driver certification manual for inspection; and
  - (b) whether the driver is an employed driver.
  - (3) If the driver claims to be an employed driver, the authorised person may ask the driver—
  - (a) the employer's name and the address of the place where the employer manages the employment of drivers; and
  - (b) whether the employer is registered as an employer participant in TFMS; and
  - (c) if so, the employer's TFMS registration number.
  - (4) Subregulation (5) applies to the driver if—
  - (a) the driver does not immediately produce his or her driver certification manual for inspection when asked to produce it by the authorised person; or
  - (b) the driver does not answer a question that the authorised person asks him or her under this regulation.
- (5) For the application of Part 2 (Regulated hours) to the driver, the driver is taken not to have been at any time in the last 336 hours registered as a driver participant in TFMS.

# Example

If, for a relevant period under Part 2, the driver's total driving time exceeds the driver's maximum driving time, the driver can be dealt with for an offence against regulation 19 (Regulated hours—maximum driving times), whether or not the driver is registered as a driver participant in TFMS.

(6) In this regulation—

"driver certification manual" includes a corresponding driver certification manual;

"TFMS" includes a corresponding TFMS.

## Information about whether drivers engaged in non-local area work

- **132.** (1) An authorised person may ask the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus whether—
  - (a) the driver is engaged in local area work or non-local area work; or
  - (b) the driver has engaged in non-local area work at any time in the last 28 days.
  - (2) The driver must answer a question that the driver is asked under subregulation (1).

#### Information about driver's base

- 133. (1) An authorised person may ask the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus to produce his or her logbook for inspection to see whether a place other than the vehicle's garage address is recorded in the logbook as the driver's base.
- (2) Subregulation (3) applies if the driver does not immediately produce his or her logbook for inspection when asked to produce it by the authorised person.
- (3) For the application of Part 4 (Driving records) to the driver, the driver's base is taken to be the vehicle's garage address.
  - (4)In this regulation—

"logbook" includes a corresponding logbook.

# False and misleading statements to Minister and authorised persons

**134.** A person must not make a statement to the Minister or an authorised person that the person knows, or reasonably ought to know, is false or misleading in a material respect.

Maximum penalty: \$2 500.

# **DIVISION 3—REVIEW AND APPEAL**

#### Certain decisions may be reviewed

135. (1) The following decisions of the Minister are decisions to which this Division applies:

Item	Regulation under which decision made	Brief description of decision
1	86	decision not to register applicant for TFMS
2	89	decision not to cancel TFMS registration on application
3	91	decision to cancel TFMS registration except on application
4	106	decision not to give an emergency exemption (or not to give the exemption for a person sought to be covered by the exemption)
5	108	decision not to give an FMS exemption (or not to give the exemption for a person sought to be covered by the exemption)
6	110	decision not to give a limited driving hours exemption (or not to give the exemption for a person sought to be covered by the exemption)

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Item	Regulation under which decision made	Brief description of decision
7	112 or 113	decision not to give a logbook exemption (or not to give the exemption for a person sought to be covered by the exemption)
8	115	decision not to vary or cancel an exemption on application
9	117	decision to vary or cancel an exemption except on application
10	122	decision to give an exemption for less than 3 years or the period sought by the applicant
11	123	decision to give an exemption subject to a condition not sought by the applicant
12	124	decision not to give a replacement exemption

#### **Review of decisions**

- **136.** (1) A person affected by a decision to which this Division applies (an **initial decision**) may apply to the Minister in writing for the Minister to review the decision.
  - (2) The application must be made within—
  - (a) 28 days after the person, or someone else affected by the decision, was told of the initial decision, and given reasons for the decision, by the Minister; or
  - (b) any longer period allowed by the Minister.
- Note 1: Under regulation 86(5), an applicant for TFMS registration must be told of the Minister's decision not to register the applicant.
- Note 2: Under regulation 89(4), an applicant for cancellation of TFMS registration must be told of the Minister's decision not to cancel the registration.
- Note 3: Under regulation 91(4), a person whose TFMS registration is cancelled must be told of the Minister's decision to cancel the registration.
- Note 4: Under regulation 118(4), a person whose exemption is varied or cancelled must be told of the Minister's decision.
- Note 5: Under regulation 121, a person who applies for an exemption, or for variation or cancellation of an exemption, must be told of the Minister's decision.
- (3) The application must state the decision sought by the person and outline why the decision should be made.
- (4) Within 28 days after receiving the application, the Minister must review the initial decision and—
  - (a) confirm the decision; or
  - (b) vary the decision; or
  - (c) set the decision aside and substitute a new decision.

- (5) The Minister must tell the person in writing of the result of the review and, if the Minister does not make the decision sought by the person—
  - (a) give the person written reasons for the decision on the review; and
  - (b) tell the person in writing that the person may appeal against the decision to the District Court.

# **Appeals to District Court**

- **137.** (1) The person affected by a decision that has been reviewed under regulation 138 may appeal to the District Court against the decision on the review.
- (2) The appeal must be instituted within 28 days after receipt of the written reasons for the decision on the review.
- (3) The District Court may, if satisfied that it is just and reasonable to do so, dispense with the requirement that an appeal be instituted within the period fixed by this regulation.
  - (4) On an appeal under this regulation, the District Court may—
  - (a) confirm the decision;
  - (b) vary the decision;
  - (c) set the decision aside and substitute a new decision;
  - (d) make any further or other order as to any matter that the case requires.

# Operation of decision subject to reconsideration or appeal

- **138.** (1) Subject to subregulation (2), the making of an application for review of a decision or an appeal under this Division does not affect the decision the subject of the application or appeal.
- (2) The Minister may, on application, make an order staying or otherwise affecting the operation of a decision the subject of an application for review.
- (3) The Minister or the District Court may, on application, make an order staying or otherwise affecting the operation of a decision the subject of an appeal.
  - (4) An order under this regulation—
  - (a) is subject to such conditions as are specified in the order; and
  - (b) may be varied or revoked by the Minister or the Court by further order.

#### **DIVISION 4—MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Declaration of relevant jurisdictions**

**139.** The Minister must publish, by notice in the *Gazette*, any declaration by the Ministerial Council that another jurisdiction is a relevant jurisdiction.

#### **Authorised persons**

**140.** Members of the police force and inspectors under the Act are authorised persons for these regulations.

#### **Identity cards**

- **141.** (1) The Minister must give an identity card to each authorised person who is not a member of the police force.
  - (2) The card must contain—
  - (a) a recent photograph of the person; and
  - (b) the person's name or a unique identification number; and
  - (c) the date of issue of the card; and
  - (d) a date of expiry for the card.
- (3) If a person who is not a member of the police force ceases to be an authorised person, the person must return his or her identity card to the Minister within 7 days.

## **Identification of authorised persons**

- **142.** (1) An authorised person who is not a member of the police force, and is not in uniform, may exercise a power in relation to another person only if the authorised person—
  - (a) produces his or her identity card for the other person's inspection; or
  - (b) has his or her identity card displayed so it is clearly visible.
- (2) However, if for any reason it is not practicable to comply with subregulation (1) before exercising the power and the other person requests the authorised person to produce evidence of the authorised person's authority, the authorised person must produce the identity card for inspection by the other person.

#### **DICTIONARY**

(Regulation 6)

"6 hour rest break" means a rest time that is a single period of at least 6 hours;

"100 kilometre limit"—see regulation 41;

"Act" means the Road Traffic Act 1961;

"ADR 42" means the national standard described as ADR 42 as in force from time to time under the *Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989* of the Commonwealth;

"another jurisdiction"—see regulation 15(2);

"approved DSMD"—see regulation 46;

"approved fatigue management training course" means a fatigue management training course of a kind that is approved by the Ministerial Council;

Note: Information about approved fatigue management training courses can be obtained from the National Road Transport Commission, PO Box 13105, Law Courts, Melbourne Vic 3001.

"approved sleeper berth" means a driver's sleeper berth complying with a standard for sleeper berths that is approved for commercial buses by the Ministerial Council;

"authorised person" means a person who is an authorised person under regulation 140;

"base"—see regulation 42;

"business day" means a day that is not a Saturday or a Sunday or other public holiday in this jurisdiction;

"change of activity"—see regulation 49(5);

"combination" means a group of vehicles consisting of a motor vehicle connected to 1 or more vehicles;

"commercial bus"—see regulation 8(3);

"consignor"—see regulation 11;

"core driving hours offence"—see regulation 74;

"corresponding authority" means the authority of another jurisdiction corresponding to the Minister;

"corresponding driver certification manual", for a driver, means a manual issued to the driver under a corresponding law for regulation 86 or 88;

"corresponding driving record" means—

- (a) a corresponding logbook; or
- (b) a record made by an approved DSMD under a corresponding law for regulation 53(b); or

- (c) a supplementary record under a corresponding law for regulation 54 (When and how supplementary records may be made by drivers); or
- (d) a local area management record under a corresponding law for Part 4 (Driving records), Division 3 (Driving records for local area work);

"corresponding law", for these regulations or a provision, or provisions, of these regulations or of the Act as it applies to these regulations, means the law in force in another jurisdiction corresponding to these regulations or the provision or provisions;

"corresponding logbook", for a driver, means a logbook issued to the driver under a corresponding law for regulation 81;

"corresponding TFMS" means a transitional fatigue management scheme established under a corresponding law that includes provisions having the same, or substantially the same, effect as the following provisions:

- · Part 3 (Transitional fatigue management scheme)
- Part 4 (Driving records), except Division 3 (Driving records for non-local area work) and regulation 62 (Local area management records to be kept)
- · Parts 6 (Issue of logbooks) and 7 (TFMS administration)
- regulation 128 (Limited jeopardy)
- · Part 9 (Enforcement, review and other matters), Division 2 (Additional enforcement powers);

"District Court" means the Administrative and Disciplinary Division of the District Court;

"doctor" means a person who is registered as a medical practitioner under a law of a State or Territory;

"driver"—see regulation 9(1);

#### "driver certification manual"—

- (a) see regulation 83(1); and
- (b) for a driver, means a manual issued to the driver under regulation 86 or 88;

#### "driver licence"—

- (a) means a licence issued under a State or Territory law authorising the licensee to drive a motor vehicle; and
- (b) until the licence is issued, includes the receipt for the licence fee;

Note:—See also definition of licence.

"driving"—see regulation 12(1);

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(a) see regulation 47(1); and
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- (b) for Part 4, Division 5—see also regulation 59; and
- (c) for Part 4, Division 7—see also regulation 68;

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"driving record offence"—see regulation 74;
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"driving time"—see regulation 12(2);
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"duplicate daily sheet" means the duplicate of a daily sheet in a logbook or corresponding logbook;

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"eligible person"—see regulation 105;
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"emergency"—see regulation 105;
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"emergency-related provisions"—see regulation 101(1);

"emergency service"—see regulation 105;

"**employed driver**"—see regulation 9(2);

"**employer**"—see regulation 10(1);

"entry"—see regulation 68;

"**exemption**"—see regulation 100 and also regulation 7(a);

"FMS"—see regulation 100;

"FMS exemption"—see regulation 102(2);

"garage address"—see regulation 42(2);

"GVM", for a vehicle, means the maximum loaded mass of the vehicle—

- (a) specified by the manufacturer on an identification plate on the vehicle; or
- (b) if there is no specification by the manufacturer on an identification plate on the vehicle or if the specification is not appropriate because the vehicle has been modified—certified by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles or the authority of another jurisdiction corresponding to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles;

<sup>&</sup>quot;emergency exemption"—see regulation 101(2);

<sup>&</sup>quot;heavy truck"—see regulation 8(1);

<sup>&</sup>quot;identity card", for an authorised person, means a card issued to the authorised person under regulation 141(1);

<sup>&</sup>quot;licence" does not include a learner's permit;

"limited driving hours exemption"—see regulation 103(2); "local area management record"— *(a)* see regulation 47(3); and (b) for Part 4, Division 5—see also regulation 59; "local area work"—see regulation 43; "logbook"— *(a)* see regulation 79(1); and (b) for a driver—see regulation 45; "logbook exemption"—see regulation 104(2); "logbook provisions"—see regulation 104(1); "maximum driving hours provision"—see regulation 103(1); "maximum driving times"— (a) for Part 2—see regulation 19(1); and *(b)* for Part 3—see regulation 28(1); "maximum work times"— *(a)* for Part 2—see regulation 20(1); and *(b)* for Part 3—see regulation 29(1); "Ministerial Council" means the Ministerial Council for Road Transport established by Part VI of the Heavy Vehicles Agreement set out in Schedule 1 to the National Road Transport Commission Act 1991 of the Commonwealth; "motor vehicle" means a vehicle that is built to be propelled by a motor that forms part of the vehicle; "nominee"—see regulation 112(2); "non-local area work"—see regulation 44; "non-regulated zone"—see regulation 15(5); "participant"—see regulation 94;

"regulated hours provisions"—see regulation 102(1);

"regulated zone"—see regulation 15(4);

"relevant jurisdiction"—see regulation 15(3);

"relevant period"—

- (a) for Part 2—see regulation 18; and
- (b) for Part 3—see regulation 26;

"required medical standards" means the standards for medical examinations in the edition of the publication, published by the Federal Office of Road Safety and the National Road Transport Commission, entitled Medical Examinations of Commercial Vehicle Drivers that is current at the commencement of this definition;

"required minimum rest times"—

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(a) for Part 2—see regulation 21(1); and
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(b) for Part 3—see regulation 30(1);

"required training certificate"—see regulation 85(1);

"responsible employee"—see regulation 10(2);

"rest time"—see regulation 14;

"**road**"—see regulation 5(2);

"road-related area"—see regulation 5(3);

"self-employed driver"—see regulation 9(3);

"solo driver" means a driver who is not a party to a two-up driving arrangement;

"speeding offence"—see regulation 74;

"supplementary record"—see regulation 47(2);

"**TFMS**"—see regulation 24(1)(a);

"this jurisdiction"—see regulation 15(1);

"two-up driver" means the driver of a heavy truck or commercial bus who is a party to a two-up driving arrangement;

"two-up driving arrangement" means an arrangement under which 2 drivers share the driving of—

- (a) a heavy truck with a sleeper berth complying with ADR 42; or
- (b) a commercial bus with an approved sleeper berth;

<sup>&</sup>quot;required medical certificate"—see regulation 84(1);

<sup>&</sup>quot;variation", of an exemption—see regulation 7(b);

<sup>&</sup>quot;work time"—see regulation 13.

# **APPENDIX**

# LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Regulation 5(4) and (5):

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