

South Australia

Road Traffic (Vehicle Standards) Variation Rules 2007

under the *Road Traffic Act 1961*

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Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

These rules may be cited as the *Road Traffic (Vehicle Standards) Variation Rules 2007*.

2—Commencement

These rules come into operation on the day on which they are made.

3—Variation provisions

In these rules, a provision under a heading referring to the variation of specified rules varies the rules so specified.

Part 2—Variation of *Road Traffic (Vehicle Standards) Rules 1999*

4—Variation of rule 23—Partial exception to compliance with ADRs—personally imported vehicles

Rule 23(1)—delete subrule (1) and substitute:

- (1) In this rule:

personally imported vehicle means a vehicle built after 1968 that is imported into Australia under regulation 13 of the *Motor Vehicle Standards Regulations 1989* of the Commonwealth by a person who owned and used the vehicle for a continuous period of at least:

- (a) for a vehicle owned by the applicant before 9 May 2000—3 months; or
- (b) in any other case—12 months,

before it was imported into Australia.

5—Variation of rule 34—Horns, alarms etc

- (1) Rule 34(2)—delete "bell,"

- (2) Rule 34—after subrule (5) insert:

- (6) The provision of the relevant ADR that corresponds to subrule (2) applies to a vehicle as if that provision did not contain a reference to a bell.

6—Variation of rule 41—Electrical wiring, components, connections and installations

Rule 41—after subrule (1) insert:

- (1a) The electrical components of a vehicle must be securely mounted.

7—Insertion of rule 42A

After rule 42 insert:

42A—Requirement for windscreen to be fitted

A motor vehicle (but not including a motor bike, a motor trike or a moped) must be fitted with a windscreen if it is manufactured or designed to have a windscreen.

8—Variation of rule 69—Length of combinations

Rule 69—after subrule (3) insert:

- (4) However, a B-double may be up to 26 metres long if:
- (a) the distance between the point of articulation at the front of the leading semi-trailer and the rear of the combination does not exceed 20.6 metres; and

- (b) the prime mover of the combination is fitted with a front underrun protective device that complies with regulation 93 made under the UN ECE Agreement; and
 - (c) if the prime mover has a date of manufacture after 31 December 2005—it is fitted with a cab that complies with regulation 29 made under that Agreement; and
 - (d) the prime mover does not have a load-carrying area.
- (5) In subrule (4):

UN ECE Agreement means the *Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these Prescriptions* done at Geneva on 20 March 1958, as amended and in effect on 13 July 1999.

9—Variation of rule 118—Other lights and reflectors

- (1) Rule 118(2)—delete subrule (2) and substitute:
- (2) A vehicle may be fitted with a light or reflector not mentioned in the Vehicle Standards only if another law of this jurisdiction allows that light or reflector to be fitted.
- (2) Rule 118(3)—delete "display" and substitute:
be fitted with

10—Variation of rule 119—Rear marking plates

- (1) Rule 119(1)—delete subrule (1) and substitute:
- (1) In this rule:
rear marking plate means a rear marking plate complying with Vehicle Standards Bulletin VSB 12.
- (2) Rule 119(3)—delete subrule (3)

11—Revocation of rule 119A

Rule 119A—delete the rule

12—Variation of rule 148—Exhaust systems

Rule 148(1)—delete "with a GVM over 4.5 tonnes"

13—Variation of rule 169—Attachment of couplings and drawbar eyes on road trains

- (1) Rule 169(b)—delete paragraph (b) and substitute:
- (b) the pivot point of the coupling is not over 300 millimetres forward of the rear of the trailer to which it is attached unless another rule of this jurisdiction allows a greater distance; and

- (2) Rule 169—after its present contents as varied by this rule (now to be designated as subrule (1)) insert:
- (2) The requirements of subrule (1)(b) apply to a vehicle instead of the corresponding requirements in the relevant ADR.

14—Variation of Dictionary

Dictionary—after the definition of *vehicle* insert:

Vehicle Standards Bulletin (VSB) means a standards bulletin on the design, manufacture, sale, modification, maintenance, import or repair of motor vehicles or trailers made available by the Commonwealth Department of Transport and Regional Services.

Note—

These bulletins are published on the Department's web site—see <http://www.dotars.gov.au/roads/safety/bulletin/index.aspx>.

Note—

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1978*, the Minister has certified that, in the Minister's opinion, it is necessary or appropriate that these regulations come into operation as set out in these regulations.

Made by the Governor

with the advice and consent of the Executive Council
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