Heavy Vehicle National Legislation Amendment Regulation 2026

Subordinate Legislation 2026 No. 167

made under the

Heavy Vehicle National Law as applied by the *Heavy Vehicle National Law Act 2012* (Qld) and by the law of States and Territories

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Heavy Vehicle National Legislation Amendment Regulation 2026*.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 December 2026.

Part 2 Amendment of Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation

3 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation*.

4 Amendment of Sch 6 (Dimension requirements)

Schedule 6, after section 6C—

insert—

6D Length—rear bump devices disregarded

For this Regulation, a rear bump device fitted to a heavy vehicle is to be disregarded for the purpose of measuring the length of the heavy vehicle under section 3 or 4 if—

(a) the device is fitted to the heavy vehicle under section 7A of Schedule 2 of the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation*; and

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(b) the device does not protrude more than 100mm beyond the overall length of the heavy vehicle.

Part 3 Amendment of Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation

5 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Heavy Vehicle (Vehicle Standards) National Regulation*.

6 Amendment of s 8 (Measurement of width of vehicles)

Section 8, after subsection (6)—

insert—

(6A) A component of a closed-circuit television system fitted to a bus for operational, safety or security purposes is disregarded if—

(a) the total lateral protrusion of the component from the bus does not exceed 100mm; and

(b) the component is fitted at least 2m above ground level.

7 Amendment of Sch 1 (Vehicle standards relating to ADRs applying to single heavy vehicles)

(1) Schedule 1, section 4A(b), 'RAV.'—

omit, insert—

RAV; and

(2) Schedule 1, section 4A, after paragraph (b)—

insert—

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(c) the vehicle complies with the conditions applying to the approval under which the vehicle satisfied the requirements of the type approval pathway.

8 Amendment of Sch 2 (Other vehicle standards applying to single heavy vehicles)

(1) Schedule 2, after section 7—

insert—

7A Rear bump devices

(1) A heavy vehicle may be fitted with a rear bump device that—

(a) is constructed from an energy absorbing material; and

Examples of an energy absorbing material—

rubber, polyurethane

(b) is used to mitigate low speed impact between the heavy vehicle and loading facilities or equipment.

(2) However, a rear bump device must not be used to—

(a) extend the length of the heavy vehicle's load carriage area; or

(b) carry goods, passengers or another load.

(2) Schedule 2, section 11(4)(a)—

omit, insert—

(a) emits a regular, intermittent sound while—

(i) the vehicle is reversing or in reverse gear; or

(ii) the vehicle's left turn signal is in operation; or

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(iii) if the vehicle has a retractable axle—the retractable axle is in operation; and

(3) Schedule 2, section 109, after subsection (3)—

insert—

(3A) Any requirement of third edition ADR 65 about maximum road speed limiting does not apply to an emergency vehicle or police vehicle.

(4) Schedule 2, section 109(4), paragraph (a)—

omit.

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ENDNOTES

1 Made by the Queensland Governor, as defined under section 730(5) of the Heavy Vehicle National Law, acting with the advice of the Executive Council of Queensland, on 26 November 2026.

2 Published on the NSW legislation website in accordance with Part 6A of the *Interpretation Act 1987* of NSW on 27 November 2026.

3 The administering agency is the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator.

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