

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1961

Exemption for Trailers Transporting Gliders to have a Rear Overhang of up to 5 m

PURSUANT to the provisions of section 163AA of the Road Traffic Act 1961, I, T. N. Argent, Executive Director, Transport SA, as an authorised delegate of the Minister for Transport and Urban Planning, hereby exempt, trailers fitted with a single axle or one axle group which are built specifically for the purpose of transporting gliders:

From the following provisions of the Road Traffic (Vehicle Standards) Rules 1999:

- Rule 20-Compliance with third edition Australian Design Rules, but only in so far as it relates to Australian Design Rule 43.4.2.1 Rear Overhang. All other requirements under Rule 20 must be complied with; and
- Rule 70 (3)-Rear Overhang. Subject to the following conditions:

1. This notice or a legible copy shall be carried by the driver of the vehicle at all times when operating under this exemption and be produced when requested by an inspector appointed under the Road Traffic Act 1961 and/or the Motor Vehicles Act 1959, or a Police Officer.

2. That the trailer is fitted only with a single axle or one axle group.

3. That the rear overhang, measured from the centre of the trailer axle or axle group to the rearmost point of the trailer or rearmost point of any load carried on the trailer, shall not exceed 5 m.

4. That the width of the load carrying area or body of the trailer shall not exceed 2 m, if the rear overhang, measured from the centre of the trailer axle or axle group to the rearmost point of the trailer or any load carried on the trailer, exceeds 3.7 m in length.

5. That the overall length of the trailer measured from the point of articulation of the trailer and the towing vehicle to the rearmost point of the trailer or rearmost point of any load carried on the trailer, shall not exceed 12.2 m.

6. That the trailer shall only be used for the purpose of transporting gliders and any accessories associated with the sport of gliding or for empty travel.

7. That if the rear load area of the trailer is longer than the front load area there shall be a positive downward force on the towing vehicle's tow coupling in the static condition.

NOTES: The overall length of the towing vehicle and trailer combination including any load shall not exceed 19 m.

That the distance from the point of articulation of the trailer and the towing vehicle to the centre of the trailer axle or axle group shall not exceed 8.5 m.

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