

TE.13 EXTRA MASS VEHICLE PERMITS

Objective

To control and rationalise the movement of long (extra mass) vehicles on Council's road networks.

Policy

The Director of Operations is delegated to support permits for trucks requiring such support, including "B Double" and Road-train trucks. Routes will be assessed by considering horizontal and vertical geometry, passing opportunities, bridge capacities, road pavement width and clearance.

Pre-approved strategic road links are available for Contractors to operate extra mass vehicles without further approvals necessary. These routes are as shown on the Extra Mass Vehicle Permit route map supplied by Council and updated periodically. Routes other than those shown will require separate approval. Once approved they will be added to the pre-approved list unless those roads are subject to changing conditions.

The following criteria shall also apply.

1. Council may remove support from any route, at any time.
2. No truck shall be supported with a pay load of over 50 tonnes.
3. The maximum speed limit for supported trucks travelling on sealed Council roads shall be 10kph under the posted zone with a maximum of 80 kph, or lower if stated as a specific condition of support.
The maximum speed limit for supported trucks travelling on gravel roads shall be 40kph, unless otherwise specifically stated.
4. The total maximum length of supported trucks shall not exceed 27.5 metres.
5. No supported truck shall be permitted to use School Bus routes during the normal school bus operating times.
6. Operations are to be restricted to Monday to Saturday, excluding public holidays.
7. Where 4 or more truck movements per day are planned pictorial 'Trucks Entering' signs must be positioned as warning signs on distributor roads where trucks are turning from minor roads into distributor roads.

Related Policies TE1

Related Procedures/
Documents Nil

DELEGATION LEVEL CEO, by CEO to Director of Operations.

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