

## Motor Vehicle Registry Information Bulletin

# V77 - General Exemption for Towed Implement - Road Transformer

## Introduction

A general exemption has been granted to allow a towed implement – known as “The Road Transformer” – to be used on a road or road related area without the requirement for the implement to be registered for road use.

The general exemption is subject to conditions – refer **Appendix A** - “Northern Territory Government Gazette No. G39, 29 September 2010”.

This general exemption does not apply to any other towed implement.

## Purpose

The Road Transformer is an implement made from recycled rail tracks designed without wheels to be dragged behind a towing vehicle for the purpose of removing irregularities in gravelled roads.

The implement is designed as a quick and easy way to maintain a gravelled road between Road Grader road works operations.

A well maintained gravelled road has safety benefits for all road users.

## Insurance

Compulsory Third Party Insurance offered by the Territory Insurance Office on the towing vehicle extends to cover the Road Transformer.

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# Appendix A

The Northern Territory Government Gazette No. G39, 29 September 2010

## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

### *Motor Vehicles Act*

### **EXEMPTION FROM *MOTOR VEHICLES ACT* AND *MOTOR VEHICLES (STANDARDS) REGULATIONS***

I, SIMON PHILLIP SAUNDERS, the Acting Registrar of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to section 135 of the *Motor Vehicles Act*, hereby exempt the implement described in the Schedule from the requirement to be registered under the *Act* and further exempt the implement from the requirements of the Regulations under the *Act*, subject to the following conditions:

1. the implement may only be used on a road or public street with the approval of the relevant competent authority and in accordance with any conditions placed on its use by the competent authority;
2. recognised safe working practices must be in place at all times the implement is in use (i.e. warning signs, lights and other devices);
3. the implement is towed by any suitable registered motor vehicle;
4. the implement is not to exceed the towing limits of the towing vehicle including any individual component ratings;
5. the implement is used in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines and within the design limits of the implement;
6. the implement is not to exceed 3.6 metres in width;
7. the overall combination length of the towing vehicle and the implement does not exceed 19.0 metres;
8. a rotating amber flashing light must be activated on the towing vehicle when in use which must be clearly visible in all directions at a distance of at least 500 metres;
9. delineators (red, yellow or red and a yellow flag to be a minimum 300x300mm Class 1 or 2 of AS/NZS 1906.1:2007 "*Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes*") must be attached to the widest extremities of the implement but no greater than 150mm inboard of the implement; and
10. a minimum of two red reflectors must be fitted to the rear of the implement, an equal distance apart from the implement's longitudinal centerline.

#### **Schedule**

An implement with registered Australian Trademark of "Road Transformer" (patent number 2007906903) that is designed and constructed without wheels to be towed by a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing surface irregularities on unsealed roads.

*Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2010*

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