

Motor Vehicle Registry Information Bulletin

V81 - Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicles



Tractor



Ride-on-Mower



Fork Lift

Introduction

Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicles are designed to undertake a specific task and are not designed with suitable devices and systems (i.e. occupant protection) compared with road vehicles that comply with national vehicle standards for the safe interaction with road users and the environment.

These are non-complying vehicles that do not meet the full package of Australian Design Rules (ADRs), are not fitted with an approved compliance plate and are not approved under the federal *Motor Vehicles Standards Act 1989* as road vehicles. As such, they cannot be granted unconditional registration for use on roads or road related areas.

However, subject to case-by-case assessment, conditional registration may be offered to Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicles for restricted work-related purposes where the transport task cannot be reasonably performed by an ADR compliant vehicle. Examples of work-related uses include roadside ground maintenance, earth works and loading works.

Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicles over 4.5 tonne Gross Vehicle Mass may be conditionally registered as Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV).

Additionally, any Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicle approved for registration with axle masses and or vehicle dimensions exceeding the legal limits must also obtain and carry within the vehicle an NT Permit of Exemption.

For further information refer "Permit Guidelines for Oversize and Overmass Vehicles"
<https://nt.gov.au/driving/heavy/oversize-or-overmass-vehicles>

Conditions

Conditions imposed on the registration of these vehicles are necessary to minimise the risk of injury to the general public and any person operating these vehicles.

Conditions will include the fitment of equipment and devices to improve vehicle visibility and may include (but not necessarily be limited to):

- speed and area restrictions;
- operator requirements; and
- restriction against transfer of ownership.

Area restrictions may include operational use on road reserves only and the requirement for the vehicle to be transported (not driven) between sites.

Minimum Requirements

Special Purpose Plant and Equipment Vehicles approved for conditional registration must meet minimum safety requirements in addition to the manufacturer's original vehicle equipment.

Minimum safety requirements may include (but not necessarily be limited to) the following:

General Use Vehicles

- Rear-vision mirror.
- Horn or suitable audible warning device.
- Adequate brakes and steering.
- A rotating amber flashing light visible from all directions from a distance of at least 200 metres in fine daylight conditions must be operating while the vehicle is in use in public places or on public streets (if applicable).
- Speed restrictions (if applicable).
- Red rear reflectors.

Application Form

An application form VS47 is attached to this Bulletin.

Note: The application form is for assessment purposes only and is not an application to register.

Further Information (weblinks)

Department Website – Transport <https://nt.gov.au/driving>

Motor Vehicle Registry <https://nt.gov.au/driving/driverlicence/motor-vehicle-registry-mvr/find-a-motor-vehicle-registry-mvr-office>

Bulletins and Forms <https://nt.gov.au/driving/industry/vehicle-information-bulletins-and-forms>



Application for Assessment for Conditional Registration

Applicant Details

Registered Owner/Business/Company Name

Contact Details

Name (if different to above):	
Phone:	Postal Address:
Mobile:	
Email:	Postcode:

Description of Vehicle and Intended Operation

Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	No of Wheels	Date of Manufacture
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Vehicle Identification	Engine Number	Colour	GVM (Gross Vehicle Mass)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Vehicle Technical Details (Specification Sheet, Brochure, etc..)

Details of Intended Operation

Privacy Statement

The Registrar of Motor Vehicles is required to collect information for Registrations, Licenses and Permits under section 92 of the NT Motor Vehicles Act. The Registrar adheres to the Northern Territory Government's Privacy Statement and the Information Act.

Applicant's Declaration

I declare that the information provided in this application is true and correct in every particular. I understand approval for conditional registration is only considered for legitimate work related purposes. The assessment is undertaken individually and may not be approved.

Applicant's Signature..... Date:/...../.....

OFFICE USE ONLY

Senior Transport Inspector to Complete

Vehicle Dimensions (length, width, height, projections, rear overhang)

Form box for Vehicle Dimensions

Permit Required

Yes/No checkboxes for Vehicle Dimensions

Vehicle Mass (steer, drive, other)

Form box for Vehicle Mass

Permit Required

Yes/No checkboxes for Vehicle Mass

Conditional Registration Codes

Grid of checkboxes for Conditional Registration Codes: General Operation, Ownership Limitations, Overmass, Sign Lights, Location Limitation, Travel Restriction, Oversize, Speed Limit

Comments/Conditions: Form box with horizontal lines

Restricted Use Codes (Body Code RUCOND) and General Use Codes (Body Code GUCOND) checkboxes and note

Signature and Date lines for Senior Transport Inspector

Chief Transport Inspector to Complete (Restricted Use Application)

Comments/Conditions: Form box with horizontal lines

Approved/Not Approved checkboxes for Chief Transport Inspector

Signature and Date lines for Chief Transport Inspector

Vehicle Compliance Administration to Complete (Restricted Use Application)

Letter Submitted for Signature, MOVERS Updated, Process Completed checkboxes

Signature and Date lines for Vehicle Compliance Administration