

ADMINISTRATION POLICY

POLICY NO:	A.8
POLICY SUBJECT:	OVERSIZE VEHICLES
ADOPTION DATE:	27 April 2006
REVIEW DATE:	13 May 2010

STATEMENT OF INTENT'

This policy is designed to provide guidelines for Council and Council Officers in granting approval for the issuing of Main Roads Western Australia permits to allow oversized vehicles to travel on Shire controlled roads.

DEFINITIONS

- “CEO”** Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Toodyay
- “GCM”** Is the gross combination mass of a combination vehicle and as such is the sum of the axle masses of all of the axle groups in the combination.
- “MRWA”** Main Roads Western Australia
- “Notice”** “Blanket approval from the Commissioner of MRWA for a particular class of restricted access vehicle to operate under specific conditions on a specified network of roads without the requirement to obtain individual permits.”
- “Combination”** A group of vehicles consisting of a motor vehicle connected to one or more vehicles.
- “Permit”** Instrument used by Main Roads Western Australia to grant approval to operate on the road network within Western Australia
- “Shire”** Shire of Toodyay

GENERAL INFORMATION

- MRWA is the only authority approved to issue permits for oversized vehicles - ***Road Traffic (Vehicle Standard) Regulation 2002 (Sections 25, 30 & 34)***
- The maximum gross mass permitted on a twin steer 27.5 metre road train combination is 84 tonnes unless concessional loading is approved by both

the Shire of Toodyay and Main Roads WA. **Road Traffic (Vehicle Standard) Regulation 2002 (Sections 25) + MRWA guidelines**

- Any route requested for combination vehicles must be fully assessed by MRWA prior to the issuance of any Main Roads WA permits – **MRWA Guidelines**

POLICY STATEMENT

1. The Shire of Toodyay as of the 1 May 2006 agrees that the Commissioner of Main Roads may issue approvals for roads owned and maintained by the Shire of Toodyay.
2. The following restrictions and conditions apply for permitted combinations operating on Shire Roads:
 - a) Combination Specifications: Class 2 and Class 3 combinations only.
 - i. Maximum length 27.5 metres
 - ii. Maximum GCM 84 tonnes
 - iii. Maximum height 4.60 metres
 - iv. Maximum width 2.50 metres
 - b) School bus and permit combinations to have headlights burning in the 'dipped' position.
 - c) No overtaking an operational school bus.
 - d) Permit combinations to slow and move to the left when approaching an operational school bus.
 - e) Maximum speed being limited to 70 kph or less if determined by Main Roads assessment.
 - f) During or following a period of heavy rain operators must contact the Shire of Toodyay for advice on road conditions and road closures.
 - g) Routes may be restricted should bridges on the route be sub standard in terms of load carrying capacity.
3. Main Roads WA to advise the Shire of Toodyay within 72 hours of the issue of a permit.
4. The only exception to this policy applies to permitted combinations of:
 - i. Maximum length 25.0 metres
 - ii. Maximum GCM 64.0 tonnes
 - iii. Maximum height 4.60 metres
 - iv. Maximum width 2.50 metres

- a. Only these shorter and lighter trucks may use the Toodyay Bindi Bindi Road south of the Coondle West Road intersection, Telegraph Road, Harper Road, Anzac Terrace, Clinton Street, Hamersley Street, Stirling Terrace and Julimar Road within the townsite of Toodyay.
- b. No permitted combinations are to travel on Stirling Terrace between Harper Road and Hamersley Street.
- c. Operators to travel at half the legal speed limit within the Toodyay townsite, i.e. 25kph, while loaded or empty.

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