

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## Registration Fees for Heavy Vehicles and Trailers

Victorian heavy vehicle and trailer registration fees were adjusted in July 2009 and registration fees under the Federal Interstate Registration Scheme (FIRS) were adjusted in August 2009. These adjustments were part of the second stage of the annual adjustment of heavy vehicle charges, as calculated by the National Transport Commission (NTC).

The purpose of the fee adjustment is to ensure continued cost recovery of heavy vehicles' share of road expenditure, and to remove "cross-subsidisation" of fees between vehicle/trailer types.

The 2009/10 charges include a fee category for Lead and Middle trailers (A Trailers) in B-Double and B-Triple combinations, and require VicRoads to record all heavy trailers in one of five categories; being Dog trailer, Pig trailer, Dolly trailer (Low-Loader and Converter), Semi-trailer or Lead/Middle trailer.

Currently VicRoads' heavy trailer records do not identify trailer types. VicRoads requires registered operators of trailers to provide a description of each trailer type they operate and the registration numbers of each trailer in that category. This will ensure that your trailers continue to be operated legally and that the correct fees are applied upon registration renewal.

Operators must complete one Heavy Trailer Nomination form (overleaf) for each trailer category, and axle group, in their registered fleet and attach a list of applicable trailer registration numbers for each category and axle group. Once completed the Heavy Trailer Nomination form must be returned to VicRoads in the envelope provided.

VicRoads will update your trailer registration details on its records and your registration renewal certificate will be updated to identify the registered trailer category and axle group. A new certificate will be mailed to you for payment (if required) prior to the expiry date of your trailer registration, along with an updated label to attach to your trailer(s).

If you have already received a registration renewal certificate but have not yet nominated the trailer type or paid the registration renewal, you may either:

- Complete the attached Heavy Trailer Nomination form and return it to VicRoads in the enclosed envelope. Once received, VicRoads will mail a revised registration renewal certificate and label to your postal address, for payment prior to the expiry date; or
- Where the trailer registration expiry date is very close, you may choose to take the completed Heavy Trailer Nomination form to a VicRoads Customer Service Centre, where a revised registration renewal certificate and label will be provided to you for payment.

If you have already paid your renewal, the adjusted fees will apply on your next renewal.

You should note that VicRoads will actively enforce trailer nominations.

VicRoads apologises for any inconvenience and thanks you for your assistance. Please note that VicRoads cannot accept a trailer nomination by telephone.

Detailed information regarding heavy vehicle charges and how they are calculated is available on the National Transport Commission's website at www.ntc.gov.au. Additional nomination forms, a list of the adjusted fees and general information is available on the VicRoads website at www.vicroads.vic.gov.au.



## Heavy Trailer Nomination Form (for all heavy trailers except pig trailers and semi trailers)

If you operate multiple trailers of the same category and axle configuration you may attach a list of registration numbers to one completed nomination form for each category and axle configuration.

Operators of pig trailers and semi trailers do not need to send a nomination form into VicRoads. In preparation for the changes to record trailer categories, VicRoads has applied a default registration code of pig trailer (Registration code TP) for all rigid trailers and semi trailers (Registration code TS) for all articulated trailers.

All other heavy trailer operators are required to complete a nomination form and return it to VicRoads at: P.O. Box 1644, Melbourne VIC 3001

Name of current registered operator (as per your registration renewal certificate)							
Name of authorised agent (if applicable)							
Telephone Number (Optional)		<b>Registration number</b> You may attach a list of registration numbers and makes for multiple trailers of the same configuration.			Make You may attach a list of registration numbers and makes for multiple trailers of the same configuration.		
Please circle the correct trailer type							
B-Double lead trailer or B-Triple middle trailer: can be the lead or the middle trailer of these combinations and has a 5th wheel connection at the rear.  Number of Axles:							
Low loader dolly: is a mass-distribution device that is usually coupled between a prime mover and a low loader, consists of a gooseneck rigid frame, does not directly carry any load on itself and is equipped with one or more axles, a kingpin and a 5th wheel coupling.  Number of Axles:							
Converter dolly: with one axle group or single axle and a 5th wheel coupling, designed to convert a semi-trailer into a dog trailer.  Number of Axles:							
Dog trailer: with one axle group or a single axle at the front that is steered by a connection to the towing vehicle by a drawbar, and has one axle group or a single axle at the rear. Please tick below to indicate the number of axles front and rear.							
Front axles:	1 2	3		4	-0 00		
Rear axles:	1 2	3		4	0 00		
<b>Declaration</b> (Please read this declaration carefully before you sign it. Penalties will be enforced for operating your trailer outside the registered trailer description.)							

I declare that the information given on this form and any attached list of registered trailers is complete and true in all details. I acknowledge that I must advise VicRoads of any change in the registered trailer description, and pay a higher fee where applicable.

Signature of applicant or agent	Date

THIS FORM MAY BE PHOTOCOPIED SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL DUPLICATES



