

# HAVE YOUR SAY

## NSW Livestock Transport Productivity Package



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## Proposed Changes to NSW Livestock Welfare Mass Management Accreditation Scheme

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### What is the LWMMAS?

The NSW Livestock Welfare Mass Management Accreditation Scheme (LWMMAS) was established in March 2011.

The LWMMAS allows livestock carriers with effective mass management systems to access increased mass limits equivalent to Concessional Mass Limits (CML).

Unlike NHVAS mass management accreditation, LWMMAS does not require vehicle mass to be measured for every trip, by using weighbridges, mobile scales or on-board gauges.

The LWMMAS allows vehicle mass to be assessed using a loading calculator. The RTA has developed a Livestock Loading Calculator which assesses both vehicle mass and animal welfare loading densities.

For further information about the LWMMAS, please visit the Livestock Transport pages of RTA's website:

[www.rta.nsw.gov.au/heavyvehicles/ltp/index.html](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/heavyvehicles/ltp/index.html).

### Proposed changes to the LWMMAS

Currently, the increased mass limits for LWMMAS operators are only available for:

- combinations with tri-axle groups on all trailers.
- the transport of cattle, sheep and pigs.

The LBCA and NSWFA have proposed the LWMMAS be expanded to include:

- a wider range of heavy trucks, including rigid trucks, and trailers with single or tandem axles.
- the transport of goats.

Expanding the eligibility for the LWMMAS will require enhancing the Livestock Loading Calculator to cover additional vehicle and livestock types.

### Survey Form

To determine if there is sufficient demand for the proposed changes to LWMMAS eligibility, the RTA is seeking feedback from livestock carriers and farmers.

Please complete the attached survey form and return to the LBCA or NSWFA.

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## PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE NSW LIVESTOCK WELFARE MASS MANAGEMENT ACCREDITATION SCHEME

*Please complete this form and return it to the LBCA or NSWFA by 15 July 2011*

LBCA  
NSWFA

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### I. YOUR DETAILS *(optional)*

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. TYPES OF HEAVY VEHICLES USED FOR LIVESTOCK TRANSPORT

Please indicate the type of vehicles and trailers you use and the types of livestock they carry.

TYPE OF VEHICLE / COMBINATION	NUMBER	TYPE OF LIVESTOCK CARRIED
<b>(a) RIGID TRUCKS</b>		
- Single steer axle & single drive axle		
- Single steer axle & tandem drive axle		
- Single steer axle & tri-axle drive axle		
- Twin steer axle & single drive axle		
- Twin steer axle & tandem drive axle		
- Twin steer axle & tri-axle drive axle		
<b>(b) SHORT COMBINATIONS (Prime mover &amp; semi-trailer)</b>		
- Semi trailer with tandem axle group		
- Semi trailer with tri-axle group		
<b>(c) B-DOUBLES (Prime mover &amp; two semi-trailers )</b>		
- Semi trailers with tandem axle groups		
- Semi trailers with tri-axle groups		
<b>(d) ROAD TRAINS</b>		
<b>(i) A-Double Road Train (Prime mover &amp; two trailers including a converter dolly)</b>		
- Trailers with tandem axle groups		
- Trailers with tri-axle groups		
<b>(ii) B-Triples (Prime mover towing 3 semi trailers)</b>		
- Trailers with tandem axle groups		
- Trailers with tri-axle groups		

NOTE: Shaded combination types are currently eligible for LWMMAS

Other vehicle / combination types (not included above)

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#### 4. TYPES OF VEHICLE/LOAD WEIGHING EQUIPMENT

Please indicate what type of weighing equipment you use or have access to.

- (a) livestock scales on property
- (b) others livestock scales access available
- (c) registered weighbridge
- (d) on-board axle weighing devices

Comments \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### 5. TYPE OF BUSINESS

tick relevant boxes

- (a) Commercial livestock transport operator
- (b) Commercial livestock and bulk freight transport operator
- (c) Primary producer using own vehicles to carry livestock

#### 6. ACCREDITATIONS

Are you currently enrolled in any of these accreditation schemes? Yes No

- (a) NHVAS Mass Management
- (b) Truck Safe
- (c) Truck Care

Are you interested in enrolling in the following schemes to access increased mass limits? Yes No

- (a) NHVAS Mass Management
- (b) NSW Livestock Welfare Mass Management Accreditation Scheme

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