



WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

PURSUANT to *sections 152, 155(a), and 155(b)* of the Land Transport Act 1998, and after having had regard to the criteria specified in *section 164(2)* of that Act

I, Julie Anne Genter, Associate Minister of Transport,

make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes Amendment 2019

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 10th day of April 2019

Hon Julie Anne Genter

Associate Minister of Transport

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Rule 32015/2006/5

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes Amendment 2019 (the amendment Rule) amends *Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006* (the Heavy-vehicle Brakes Rule). The Heavy-vehicle Brakes Rule sets out requirements to ensure that heavy vehicles and heavy-vehicle combinations can brake safely, with balanced brake performance, at any road-legal load condition.

The objective of the amendment Rule is to—

- allow powered vehicles first registered in New Zealand after the amendment Rule comes into force to have a pressure gauge fitted to the supply brake reservoir rather than a service brake reservoir:
- allow for fewer truck brake applications to be available after the engine stops but before a warning buzzer sounds, to align the New Zealand requirements with approved international standards requirements:
- update the definition of **Gross mass** to align with *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016*.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to the Heavy-vehicle Brakes Rule and 14 other Land Transport Rules were combined into a single Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Regulatory Stewardship (Omnibus) Amendment 2018* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule). Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into separate amendment Rules.

The NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2544 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available through the NZ Transport Agency's Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also available on the NZ Transport Agency's website. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. It was also notified in the *New Zealand Gazette* on 23 July 2018.

The NZ Transport Agency received 41 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, of which 11 commented on the proposed amendments to the Heavy-vehicle Brakes Rule.

The submissions received were taken into account in finalising the draft Rule following which it was submitted to the Associate Minister of Transport for signing.

Part 1

Rule requirements

Section 1 Preliminary provisions

1.1 Title

This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes Amendment 2019*.

1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 June 2019.

1.3 Principal Rule amended

This Rule amends *Land Transport Rule: Heavy-vehicle Brakes 2006*.

Section 2 Amendments to principal Rule

2.1 Clause 3.5 amended (Pressure gauges)

2.1(1) In *clause 3.5(1)(b)*, delete “service”.

2.1(2) In *clause 3.5(3)(b)*, delete “service”.

2.2 Clause 3.6 amended (Reservoir capacity)

In *clause 3.6(1A)*, replace “four” with “three”.

2.3 Part 2 amended (Definitions)

In *Part 2*, replace the definition of **Gross mass** with:

Gross mass has the same meaning as in *Part 2 of Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016*