

Update on Land Transport Rules

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| Heavy Vehicles Rule (31002) | This rule will consolidate, clarify and update the current regs, some of which are more than 60 years old. In addition, legislation is needed to cover heavy vehicles that are manufactured or modified domestically and individually, as well as to accommodate the newest technologies. | Lloyd Berry/Angela Duncan/Dean Seymour Laszlo Hidvegi Michael McLean Andrew Justice/Barbara Bibby | Final phase <i>Final draft and accompanying papers to be sent to MoT in early August</i> | Final rule signed and published |
| Vehicle Lighting Rule (32005) | This rule will carry over and update the requirements in the Traffic Regs and Vehicle Standards Regs and in a number of gazette notices relating to lighting for all vehicles. | Margie Sullivan/Judy Voyce Stuart Worden Sally Prebble Andrew Justice/Barbara Bibby | Public consultation phase <i>Draft rule being finalised for release in August 2003 for public comment</i> | Final draft rule with MoT in preparation for submission to Minister/Cabinet |
| Heavy-vehicle Brakes Rule (32015) | This rule will consolidate, clarify and update the current regs, some of which are more than 60 years old. The rule will incorporate new technologies resulting from major developments in brakes for heavy vehicles (over 3500kg). | Margie Sullivan/ Dean Seymour Michael McLean Laszlo Hidvegi AndrewJustice/ Barbara Bibby | Public Consultation phase <i>Rule being drafted</i> | Submission of final draft rule to MoT |

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| Vehicle Equipment Rule (32017) | This rule will cover matters presently in Traffic Regs not the subject of individual vehicle standards rules – sun visors, TV monitors, motorcycle footrests etc. | Margie Sullivan/Judy Voyce Stuart Worden Sally Prebble Andrew Justice /Barbara Bibby | Public Consultation phase Completion of submissions on yellow draft | Final rule signed by Minister |
| Vehicle Loading and Load Security Rule (42001) | The rule will encompass practice currently prescribed in the Truck Loading Code (incorporated by reference in the Dangerous Goods Rule) and s134 of the Land Transport Act 1998. | Lloyd Berry/Judy Voyce Don Hutchinson | Public Consultation phase Rule being drafted | Preparation of post-consultation (white) draft of rule for submission to MoT |
| Traffic Control Devices Rule (54002) | This rule will convert existing Traffic Regs relating to traffic control devices and will govern the design, placement, operation, maintenance and uniformity of traffic control devices including traffic signs & signals, parking, railway level crossings, bus and cycle lanes and markings. | Lloyd Berry/Judy Voyce Bob Gibson | Public consultation phase Resolution of issue of incorporation of material by reference in the rule | Final rule signed and published |

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| <i>Road User Rule (LTSA is developing policy but rule drafted by PCO.) (61001)</i> | This rule involves the conversion of existing Traffic Regs relating to road user behaviour. Not likely to involve many changes to policy behind road user behaviour in NZ with possible exception of change to the give-way rules (what right-turning vehicles should do). | Margie Sullivan/Judy Voyce Bob Gibson | Public consultation phase Redraft of rule, analyses of submissions and paper on relationship of this rule with the draft Vehicle Lighting Rule sent to MoT in mid July 2003 | Final rule signed and published |
| <i>Revised Dangerous Goods Rule (45001/1)</i> | Proposed amendment will align the Dangerous Goods Rule with regs controlling hazardous substances and new organisms made under the HSNO legislation. It will also address issues that have arisen since the rule came into force. | Lloyd Berry/Angela Duncan/Dean Seymour Richard Bean | Public Consultation phase <i>Post-consultation draft being finalised to send to MoT in early August</i> | Final rule signed and published |
| <i>Driving Hours and Logbooks Rule (62001)</i> | Aimed at simplifying and better targeting the existing driving hour limits for commercial drivers, and to better target the use of log books as an enforcement tool. | Lloyd Berry/Judy Voyce | Policy information phase <i>Rule in policy development phase</i> | Yellow draft released and communicated |

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| <i>Driver Licensing Amendment Rule (91001/2)</i> | Proposed amendment will reflect policy decisions arising from the independent Driver Licensing Review. Other amendments will also be made. | Lloyd Berry/Judy Voyce Phoebe Chu Megan Beecroft | Departmental phase <i>LTSA awaiting decision from MoT on further consultation on issues discussed in yellow draft of rule, and new timeline for rule</i> | Final rule signed and published |