



WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

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

I, *Michael Wood*, Minister of Transport,

make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment 2021

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 15th day of March 2021

Hon Michael Wood

Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

The objective of *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment 2021* (this Rule) is to make the following amendments to *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001*:

- Amend clause 2.3(18)(b) to clarify that permission for a vehicle to operate on a road can be granted with or without conditions.
- Clarify that if a permit has been issued by a road-controlling authority under clause 5.8 of the *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016* then this is considered permission by a road-controlling authority for the purpose of clause 2.3(18)(b) of *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001*.
- Replace the definition of low volume vehicle so that:
 - the definition is consistent across the land transport rules; and
 - the definition has the same meaning as in *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002*.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, amendments proposed to *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001* and other land transport rules were combined into a single draft rule, the *Land Transport Rule: Regulatory Stewardship (Omnibus) Amendment 2020* (the Omnibus Amendment Rule). Following consultation, the provisions in the Omnibus Amendment Rule were split into separate amendment rules. The amendments to *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001* were put into this Rule.

The NZ Transport Agency sent out notifications of the amendment proposals by email to approximately 1861 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the rules to be amended. The Omnibus Amendment Rule was made available, together with an overview document, on the NZ Transport Agency's website. Public consultation was carried out from 25 August 2020 to 16 October 2020. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the *Gazette* on 26 August 2020.

The NZ Transport Agency received 23 submissions on the Omnibus Amendment Rule, 3 of which were regarding the proposed amendments to *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001*. The submissions received were taken into account in finalising this Rule, following which this Rule was submitted to the Minister of Transport for signing.

Section 1 Preliminary provisions

1.1 Title

This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment 2021*.

1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 May 2021.

1.3 Principal Rule amended

This Rule amends *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001*.

Section 2 Amendments to principal Rule

2.1 Clause 2.3 amended (General safety requirements for tyres)

2.1(1) Above clause 2.3(18), insert heading “*Motor vehicles that may cause damage to roads*”

2.1(2) Replace clause 2.3(18)(b) with:

(b) a road-controlling authority having responsibility for a particular road has given permission for the vehicle to be operated on that road, with or without conditions, and the vehicle is being operated in accordance with those conditions (if any).

2.1(3) After clause 2.3(18), insert:

2.3(18A) A permit issued by a road-controlling authority under clause 5.8 of the *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016* is permission by a road-controlling authority for the purpose of 2.3(18)(b).

2.2 Part 2 amended (Definitions)

In Part 2, replace the definition of **Low volume vehicle** with:

Low volume vehicle has the same meaning as in *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002*.