Guideline for Excess Dimension

Agricultural Vehicles and Agricultural Combinations

Vehicles and Drivers

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1. **Guideline Authority**

1.1. This form has been produced under the Statutory Instruments Act 1992, Part 4, Section 22 in accordance with the Transport Operations (Road Use Management — Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005, Section 48.

2. **Commencement Date**

2.1. This form commenced on 11 October 2013.

3. **Application**

3.1. This Guideline applies, as a means of alternative compliance with the Transport Operations (Road Use Management — Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005, Part 3 in the operation of:

   a) Excess dimension agricultural vehicles and agricultural combinations.

   b) Agricultural vehicles towing trailers carrying excess dimension indivisible agricultural vehicles.

   c) Excess dimension agricultural vehicles and agricultural combinations which require agricultural pilots or escorts.

   d) Agricultural vehicles towing trailers carrying excess dimension indivisible agricultural vehicles which require agricultural pilots.

   e) Agricultural pilot vehicle or escort vehicle as well as agricultural pilot or escort vehicle driver.

3.2. The Guideline for Excess Dimension Agricultural Vehicles and Agricultural Combinations Vehicles and Drivers, Form 14 Version 3 is now repealed.

3.3. To remove any doubt, alternative compliance with the Transport Operations (Road Use Management — Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005, Part 3 is achieved only where the relevant provisions of this Guideline are complied with.

3.4. Escort operations may only be conducted by Police Service Officers, and accredited escort vehicle drivers appointed by the Chief Executive of Department of Transport and Main Roads to carry out escort duties under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, Section 21.

3.5. Agricultural pilot operations may only be conducted by a person directly associated with primary production who has held an open or provisional driver’s licence for at least 12 months, or the person should be an accredited pilot vehicle driver, or accredited escort vehicle driver appointed by the Chief Executive of Department of Transport and Main Roads, to carry out pilot duties under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, Section 21.

3.6. Primary producers, primary producer employees, contractors, and people involved in the sale and repair of agricultural vehicles are directly associated with primary production.
3.7. This Guideline further defines the powers and appointment conditions for accredited persons known as escorts, in accordance with the Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, Sections 22 and 23.

3.8. For the purpose of this Guideline:

An “agricultural combination” means a combination that includes at least one agricultural vehicle. This does not include the carrying of an agricultural vehicle as an indivisible load upon a non-agricultural vehicle or combination.

An “agricultural implement” means a vehicle without its own motive power, built to perform agricultural tasks, e.g. augers, conveyors, empty field bins, harvester fronts.

An “agricultural machine” means a machine with its own motive power, built to perform agricultural tasks, e.g. tractors and harvesters.

An “agricultural pilot” is a person directly associated with primary production who has held an open or provisional driver’s license for at least 12 months, or is an accredited pilot vehicle driver or accredited escort vehicle driver appointed by the Chief Executive of Department of Transport and Main Roads, to carry out pilot duties under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, Section 21.

An “agricultural vehicle” means an agricultural implement or an agricultural machine and includes any load (see definition of load at 8.2) upon the vehicle.

A “city” includes any built up area within the city limits of any town or city listed as being a critical area and is not limited to the Central Business District of any such place.

A “convoy” refers to the movement of more than one oversize agricultural vehicle or combination travelling together on a road. An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is deemed to be travelling together with another oversize agricultural vehicle or combination if it is travelling within 60 metres of that other vehicle or combination in a 60 km/hr speed zone or less or otherwise within 200 metres in any other speed zone. An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is not travelling together with another such vehicle or combination where the vehicles or combinations are only travelling within the prescribed distance on a multi-lane road, or one vehicle or combination can reasonably be said to be overtaking the other.

A “critical road” is a road marked in red on the “Critical Areas and Roads in Queensland” map, which forms part of the Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles, Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort, Form 4.

A “critical area” includes the shaded areas indicated on the “Critical Areas and Roads in Queensland” map. It also includes any place which is a built up area within the city limits of the following: Atherton, Ayr, Barcaldine, Biloela, Blackwater, Bowen, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Caboolture, Charleville, Charters Towers, Cloncurry, Dalby, Emerald, Gladstone, Gold Coast, Goondiwindi, Gordonvale, Gympie, Ingham, Innisfail, Ipswich, Kingaroy, Logan City, Longreach, Mackay, Mareeba, Maryborough, Mount Isa, Port Douglas, Proserpine, Sarina, Sunshine Coast, Townsville, Rockhampton, Roma, Toowoomba, Warwick.

“day time” means the period beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset, and where visibility is no less than 250 metres due to natural light.

“Easter period” is from Thursday before Easter to the Tuesday after Easter inclusive.
An **indivisible article** is one that cannot be divided without extreme effort or expense or risk of damage to it.

A **major road** is a road marked in blue on the “Critical Area and Roads in Queensland” map.

A **minor road** is a road other than a major road or a critical road.

**night-time** means the period beginning at sunset and ending at sunrise.

**oversize** means having a dimension that, including the dimension of any load, exceeds a relevant dimension of the Transport Operations (Road Use Management - Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005.

The **rear overhang** of a vehicle is the distance between the rear of the vehicle and the rear overhang line of the vehicle. The term is defined by the Transport Operations (Road Use Management - Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005.

The **rear overhang line** may be generally described as the centre of the rear most axle, or the centre of the rear most axle group. The term is defined by the Transport Operations (Road Use Management - Mass, Dimensions and Loading) Regulation 2005.

References to **zone 1, zone 2 and zone 3** are references to those areas indicated in the Zonal Map located in ‘Maps: Multi-combination routes and zones in Queensland’ on the Department of Transport and Main Roads website www.tmr.qld.gov.au > Business and Industry > Heavy Vehicles > Multi-combination vehicles > Maps.

**Note:** Zone 1 includes the area displayed on the map and bounded within the area from where the Ayr-Dalbeg Road intersects with the Bowen boundary across to Collinsville, along the Bowen Development Road from Collinsville to the Mirani local government area border, around the border of Sarina, and from the Broadsound border down Duaringa-Apis Creek Road to the Livingstone border.

3.9. This Guideline makes reference to various conditions and requirements of the, Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles and Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort – Form Number 4.

4. **Agricultural Vehicle over Dimension Movement**

If an agricultural vehicle or combination is required to comply with two applicable inconsistent provisions of this Guideline allowing movement, then the agricultural vehicle or combination must comply with the provision which has the greatest safeguards.

Where an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination exceeds the maximum limits provided by this Guideline, movement may be effected where a police permit or other lawful authority is obtained.
4.1. **General Requirements - Dimensions**

An agricultural vehicle or combination must comply with the following dimensional restrictions.

4.1.1. The height of an agricultural vehicle or combination must not exceed 5.0 metres.

4.1.2. The rear overhang on an agricultural machine or implement, other than an auger, conveyor, cotton module builder or harvester, must not exceed 4.5 metres.

4.1.3. The rear overhang on an auger, conveyor, cotton module builder or harvester must not exceed 5.5 metres.

4.1.4 The length of a harvester must not exceed 14.5 metres.

4.1.5 The length of an agricultural machine other than a harvester must not exceed 12.5 metres.

4.1.6 The length of an articulated agricultural machine must not exceed 19 metres. However, the distance from the articulation point to the rear overhang line must not exceed 9.5 metres.

4.1.7 The length of an agricultural combination must not exceed 25 metres.

4.1.8 The width of an agricultural vehicle or combination must not exceed 3.5 metres in zone 1 and 3.7 metres in zones 2 and 3.

4.2 **Pilot/Escort/Police Conditions - Widths Exceeding General Requirements**

4.2.1 Irrespective of subclause 4.1.8, the width of an agricultural vehicle or combination when travelling on a road must not exceed the maximum width permitted for the zone in which the vehicle or combination is travelling, and must only travel during the day time.

4.2.2 An agricultural vehicle or combination, which exceeds 3.7 metres in width, travelling on a road in zone 2, may travel on a road, or area when accompanied in the manner prescribed in table 1.
### Agricultural Pilot and Escort Requirements Zone 2 – Agricultural Vehicles or Combinations

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<td>1 Agricultural Pilot 1 Escort</td>
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**4.2.3** An agricultural vehicle or combination, which exceeds 3.7 metres in width, travelling on a road in zone 3, may only travel on a road or area when accompanied in the manner prescribed in table 2.
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4.2.4 An agricultural vehicle or combination travelling in zones 1, 2 or 3 which exceed the maximum width permitted for the zone and exceeds the maximum width permitted under tables 1 and 2 may only travel by virtue of a permit or other lawful authorisation.

**Note:** The maximum width permitted in:
- zone 1 is 3.5 metres
- zone 2 is 5 metres
- zone 3 is 6 metres

4.3 Pilot/Escort/Police Conditions- Rear Overhang

4.3.1 Irrespective of subclause 4.1.3, an oversize auger, conveyor or cotton module builder with a rear overhang which exceeds 5.5 metres may only travel during the day time when accompanied in the manner prescribed in table 3.
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4.3.2 Irrespective of subclause 4.1.3, a harvester with a rear overhang which exceeds 5.5 metres up to 7.8 metres may travel during the day time when accompanied in the manner prescribed in table 4.

4.3.3 Irrespective of subclause 4.3.2 a sugarcane harvester with a rear overhang exceeding 5.5 m up to 7.8 m is permitted to travel in daylight hours without being accompanied by an agricultural pilot when travelling;

a) on a designated road listed in Appendix 2 of this Guideline; and

b) the travelling is not within the excluded areas listed in Appendix 2 of this Guideline.

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4.3.4 An auger, conveyor, cotton module builder or harvester that exceeds the rear overhang permitted in tables 3 and 4 may only travel by virtue of a permit or other lawful authorisation.

4.3.5 At all times the elevator of the sugarcane harvester must be moved in the same direction as the vehicle is turning to minimise the distance the overhang projects into the adjacent lane. The elevator should not project out beyond the side of the vehicle in an unsafe manner while performing this procedure.

4.4 Conditions for Crossing Any Critical Road or Road in a Critical Area

4.4.1 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination crossing any critical road or road in a critical area must ensure the route being used to cross the road is suitable and safe for the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

4.4.2 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must ensure the following conditions are met prior to attempting to cross any critical road or a road in a critical area.

- If the driver has clear vision of at least 350 metres along the road from the normal driver’s position in both directions there is no requirement for an agricultural pilot or escort to assist the driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to cross the road.

- If the driver has clear vision of at least 350 metres along the road from the normal driving position in one direction only but there is at least 100 metres clear vision along the road in the other direction, the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must be assisted by at least one agricultural pilot while crossing the road. The agricultural pilot must be positioned on the side with the least vision and in a manner prescribed in subclause 12.1.1.

- If the driver does not have clear vision of at least 350 metres along the road in both directions but there is at least 100 metres clear vision along the road in directions, the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must be assisted by at least two agricultural pilots. One agricultural pilot must be positioned on each side of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination crossing the road in a manner prescribed in subclause 12.1.1.

- If the driver does not have clear vision of at least 100 metres along the road in both directions an alternative route to cross the road with the required sight distances must be used.

4.5 Night-Time Travel

4.5.1 Movement at night on a minor or major road is permitted for an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination that does not exceed the dimensions outlined in the “General Requirements Section”.

4.5.2 Irrespective of subclause 4.5.1 an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is permitted to operate at a width not exceeding 3 metres and an oversize agricultural combination is permitted to operate at a length not exceeding 22 metres.

4.5.3 Irrespective of subclause 4.5.1 a harvester is permitted to operate with a rear overhang not exceeding 7.8 metres, provided the harvester is accompanied by an agricultural pilot travelling behind the harvester.
4.5.4 When travelling at night the agricultural vehicle or combination must comply with all relevant day time requirements stipulated by this Guideline in relation to the movement of that vehicle or combination, and must also comply with Warning Devices, “Night-time Travel” Section 5.2 of this Guideline.

5 Agricultural Vehicle and Agricultural Combinations Warning Devices

5.1 Warning Devices for Oversize Agricultural Vehicles and Agricultural Combinations

5.1.1 Any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination, together with any load, that is wider than 2.5m must have when travelling on a road:

a) one warning sign at its front; and

b) one warning sign at its rear or if it is carrying a rear projecting load, at the rear of the load; and

c) four warning flags, with one flag positioned at each side of the front and rear of the agricultural vehicle or combination or of any projecting load.

5.1.2 Subclause 5.1.1(a) does not apply to single tractors operating alone. Tractors fitted with oversize attachments or towing oversize agricultural implements must display the required warning devices.

5.1.3 Irrespective of subclause 5.1.1(c) a single tractor operating alone, that is wider than 2.5 m is permitted to travel with two warning flags, one flag positioned at each side of the tractor, in a manner that indicates the widest part of the tractor.

5.1.4 An oversize agricultural combination that, together with any load, does not exceed 2.5 metres in width, is between 19 and 25 metres in length, must have when travelling on a road one warning sign at its rear, or if carrying a rear projecting load, at the rear of the load.

5.1.5 Any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination, together with any load, that is wider than 2.5 metres, or which is longer than 22 metres, must display a warning light when operating on a major road, critical road and critical area.

5.1.6 An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must display a warning light, when travelling on any road, if the vehicle, together with any load is wider than 3 metres.

5.1.7 If a loaded agricultural vehicle or agricultural combination projects more than 150 mm beyond one side of an agricultural vehicle or combination, and the projection is less than 500 mm thick from top to bottom, there must be:

a) a warning light attached to the vehicle or combination; and

b) at least two yellow rigid pieces of material (known as delineators), one attached to the front and one to the rear of the projection.

**Note:** If the load projects more than 150 mm beyond both sides of the vehicle there must be at least 4 delineators - one on each side at the front and one on each side at the rear.
5.1.8 An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination that, together with any load, does not exceed 2.5 metres in width, does not exceed 19 metres in length but is higher than 4.6 metres, must have, when travelling on a road:

a) one warning sign at its front; and

b) one warning sign at its rear or if it is carrying a rear projecting load, at the rear of any projecting load or no further forward than the rear overhang line.

5.1.9 If the rear of any auger, conveyer, agricultural implement, or agricultural machine projects more than 3.7 metres from the rear overhang line there must be when travelling on a road:

a) a warning pattern; and

b) a warning sign; and

c) where any projection exceeds 5.5 metres, such projection must display a warning light.

5.1.10 If any part of an axle extends more than 150mm from the outside wall of a tractor tyre, the axle must be painted fluorescent yellow or have yellow fluorescent or other high-visibility material wrapped around it. In the night-time any axle extension must be marked with retro-reflective tape or delineators.

5.1.11 An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must have its low beam headlights on while travelling in the daytime. This does not apply when a special purpose vehicle is not required to have headlights.

5.1.12 An oversize vehicle or combination must display a warning light when crossing a critical road or a road in a critical area.

5.2 Night-time Travel

5.2.1 When travelling in the night-time on a road an agricultural vehicle or combination must display or have operating:

a) lights showing yellow to the front and red to the rear (side markers) no more than 2 m apart along both sides of the agricultural vehicle or combination and along any front or rear projection; and

b) two red lights (rear markers) fixed to the rear of any rear-projection within 400 mm of each side of the rear of the agricultural vehicle or combination; and

c) a warning light; and

d) headlights or forward projecting lights which satisfactorily illuminate the road, no less than 300 mm apart, and no higher than 3.5 metres above the road.

5.2.2 An agricultural vehicle or combination may travel in the night-time without complying with 5.2.1(a) where it is accompanied by an agricultural pilot travelling behind that vehicle or combination.
6 Warning Devices Specifications for Agricultural Vehicles or Agricultural Combinations

6.1 Warning Flags

6.1.1 A warning flag must:

a) be at least 450 mm long and at least 450 mm wide; and

b) be brightly coloured red, yellow, or red and yellow.

6.2 Warning Lights

6.2.1 A warning light must when switched on:

a) emit a yellow coloured light of rotating and flashing effect; and

b) flash between 120 and 200 times a minute; and

c) have a power of at least comparable to

i) if LED technology is used — 25 watts; or

ii) if another technology is used — 55 watts; and

d) not be a strobe light.

6.2.2 A warning light must be clearly visible at a distance of 500m in all directions, or supplemented by one or more additional warning lights so that the emitting light from at least one of them is clearly visible at a distance of 500m in any direction.

6.2.3 A warning light must only be switched on when the vehicle or combination is travelling or is stationary in a position that is likely to cause danger to other road users.

6.3 Delineators

6.3.1 A delineator must:

a) be at least 300 mm long and at least 300 mm wide; and

b) comply with Class 1 or 2 of Australian Standard AS 1906, Retro-reflective Materials and Devices for Road Traffic Control Purposes.

6.3.2 A delineator, if at the front of the projection, must be attached so that its reflective surface is facing forward of the vehicle.

6.3.3 A delineator, if at the rear of the projection, must be attached so that its reflective surface is facing rearward of the vehicle.
6.4 Warning Signs

6.4.1 A warning sign must have the following surface:

   a) the face must have a yellow surface which complies with Class 1 or 2 of Australian Standard AS 1906, Retro-reflective Materials and Devices for Road Traffic Control Purposes; and

   b) the face of the warning sign must have a black border at least 20 mm wide; and

   c) the outermost edge of the border must be set at least 10 mm in from the edge of the sign unless the sign has been made with a box edge; and

   d) the warning sign must have its manufacturers name or trademark permanently marked in letters at least 3 mm but not more than 10 mm high. The manufacturers marking may appear in any visible location on the sign.

6.4.2 A warning sign must be clearly visible at all times.

6.4.3 A warning sign must have a face showing:

   a) the word ‘OVERSIZE’, in black upper-case lettering, conforming with Australian Standard AS 1744, Forms of Letters and Numerals for Road Signs, in typeface Series C(N); and

   b) the letters must be at least 200 mm high; and

   c) the top and bottom of the lettering must be at least 125 mm from the top and bottom of the sign, respectively.

6.4.4 A warning sign which is split in two parts must have:

   a) the part mounted on the left showing the letters ‘OVER’; and

   b) the part mounted on the right showing the letters ‘SIZE’; and

   c) there must be no border between the two parts.

6.4.5 A warning sign must be at least 1200 mm long and at least 450 mm high.

6.4.6 A warning sign which splits in two parts, must have a combined length of at least 1200 mm.

6.4.7 A warning sign must be mounted in the following way:

   a) vertically; and

   b) the lower edge of the sign must be above the bottom of the bumper bar; or if there is no bumper bar - at least 500 mm from the ground level; and

   c) if the sign is split into two parts, each part must be fitted at the same height as the other.
6.4.8 A warning sign must be kept clean enough so that it can be easily read by other road users.

6.4.9 If a warning sign cannot be fitted to the extreme rear of an auger or conveyer, a warning flag shall be fitted to the extreme rear of the auger or conveyer. The warning sign must be fitted no further forward than the rear overhang line.

6.5 Warning Pattern

6.5.1 A warning pattern must be displayed on the left and right sides, at the end of any rigid projection.

6.5.2 A warning pattern must consist of diagonal stripes at least 150 mm wide and alternately coloured:

   a) red and white; or

   b) black and white.

6.5.3 A warning pattern must cover an area of at least 0.16 square metres.

7 Driver Requirements for Agricultural Vehicles and Agricultural Combinations

7.1 Communications

7.1.1 The driver of any agricultural pilot or escort vehicle and the driver of any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination carrying out a pilot or escort operation together must have the means to maintain two way communication at all times during the operation.

7.1.2 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination shall comply with any lawful direction or signal given by the driver of the agricultural pilot or escort vehicle, in relation to the movement of the oversize agricultural vehicle or agricultural combination.

7.2 Permits or Authorisations

7.2.1 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility for organising any required permits or authorities.

7.2.2 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility for the loading of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to comply with any permits or authorities issued.

7.2.3 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility to ensure that the routes used by the oversize vehicle or combination comply with any permits or authorities issued.

7.2.4 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility for compliance of any other conditions contained in any permits or authorities, which are relevant to the operation of the oversize vehicle or combination.
7.2.5 The driver of any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination cannot authorise themself to disobey any traffic regulation.

7.3 Speed Limits

7.3.1 The driver of an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility to ensure the speed of an oversize agricultural vehicle combination complies with any Guideline or permit governing the use of the vehicle combination.

7.3.2 A maximum speed limit of 50 km/hr for any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is to be observed when travelling on a road, except where official traffic signs indicate a lower speed limit.

7.4 Pilot and Escort Requirements

7.4.1 The driver of any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must ensure the required number of agricultural pilot or escort vehicles are used to escort the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

7.5 Damage Caused by Oversize Agricultural Vehicles or Combinations

7.5.1 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must immediately advise the driver of the agricultural pilot or escort vehicle of any damage caused during the movement of the oversize vehicle or combination.

7.6 Build Up of Traffic

7.6.1 The driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must pull over to the side of the road, where practicable, where there is a build up of traffic behind the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

7.7 Routes Available

7.7.1 Prior to travelling, the driver of any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must consider the route proposed to ensure the route is suitable and safe for the agricultural vehicle or combination. If there are reasonably viable alternative routes available, the operator of any oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must take the route which causes the minimum of inconvenience to other road users and achieves the greatest safety for the operator and other road users.

7.8 Daytime Travel

7.8.1 The provisions of this Guideline for the movement of oversize agricultural vehicle or combination relates generally to daytime travel only. For movement during the hours of night-time see section 4.5 and 5.2.
7.9 No Travel in Low Visibility

7.9.1 The driver of a agricultural pilot or escort vehicle accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must not permit the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to travel if, due to any circumstances, including, fog, heavy rain, smoke, dust or insect plague;

a) visibility is less than 250 m in the daytime; or

b) the headlights of a vehicle approaching within 250 m cannot not be seen at night.

7.9.2 If an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination being escorted is already travelling when the visibility is reduced to a level described in 7.9.1, the agricultural pilot or escort vehicle operator must direct the driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to drive to the nearest safe parking area, and wait until visibility improves beyond that level before continuing the journey.

7.10 Letter of No Objection

7.10.1 Where the width of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination exceeds 4.6m, approval to travel on state controlled roads, must be sought from Department of Transport and Main Roads. Approval is given in the form of a “Letter of No Objection”.

Note: The “Letter of No Objection” is used to inform police and agricultural pilots/escort vehicle drivers that the proposed route has been examined and that the journey may be undertaken.

The conditions of the “Letter of No Objection” must be complied with.

8 Vehicle Operations

8.1 Convoy Operations

8.1.1 An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must not travel in a convoy except where:

a) the convoy operation takes place during the day time within zone 2 or zone 3 only and upon a minor road or a major road only; and

b) no agricultural vehicle or combination in the convoy exceeds a maximum of 5 m in width or 25 m in length; and

c) the agricultural vehicle or combination convoy must not be made up of more than three agricultural vehicles or combinations in any one convoy operation; and

d) the agricultural vehicle or combination convoy must be accompanied by no less than one agricultural pilot and one escort; and

e) the agricultural vehicle or combination convoy must be accompanied by no less escorts or pilots than would be required for the movement for the most over sized agricultural vehicle or combination in that convoy on that road, zone or area; and
f) each and every agricultural vehicle or combination must have two-way communication equipment which permits communication between each and every agricultural vehicle or combination and the agricultural pilot and escort vehicles at all times.

8.2 Loading Requirements

8.2.1 The agricultural vehicle must not carry a load, other than items used in performing the agricultural vehicle’s function.

8.2.2 An agricultural combination must not carry a load other than:

a) another agricultural vehicle; or

b) equipment that is used to repair agricultural vehicles.

8.2.3 An unladen load carrying agricultural vehicle or combination must be reduced to the smallest practicable dimensions.

8.2.4 Oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations must be loaded in a manner that ensures:

a) risks to other road users are minimised; and

b) the loading does not affect the vehicle's stability; and

c) the load is securely restrained when the vehicle is moving; and

d) the dimensions of any load is reduced to the smallest practicable dimensions.

9 Agricultural Pilot and Escort Driver and Vehicle Requirements

9.1 Agricultural Pilot Vehicle Requirements

9.1.1 An agricultural pilot vehicle must have:

a) four or more wheels; and

b) a gross vehicle mass (GVM) of:

- 6.5 tonnes or less in the case of a rear pilot if two pilot vehicles are required; or
- 4.5 tonnes or less in any other case.

9.1.2 An agricultural pilot vehicle must have a warning sign on its roof.

9.1.3 An agricultural pilot or escort vehicle must have an operational warning light fitted.

9.1.4 The low beam headlights on an agricultural pilot vehicle or escort must be switched on when it is accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination during the daytime.
9.1.5 An agricultural pilot vehicle must not:

a) tow a trailer, any other vehicle; or

b) carry a load, but it may carry tools, equipment or substances for use in connection with the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination that it is accompanyng or for restraining the load on that agricultural vehicle or combination.

9.2 Escort Vehicle Requirements

9.2.1 The driver of an escort vehicle must ensure the escort vehicle complies with the requirements of the “Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles and Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort – Form Number 4”, Section 13.

10 Warning Devices for Agricultural Pilot and Escort Vehicles

10.1 Agricultural Pilot or Escort Warning Lights

10.1.1 An agricultural pilot, or escort accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination must comply with the requirements for “Warning Devices” for pilots or escorts within the “Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles and Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort – Form Number 4”, Section 12 relating to Warning Lights, Wig Wag Lights, Warning Signs and Traffic Cones.

A reference to a Pilot within the “Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles and Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort – Form Number 4”, Section 12 is taken to be a reference to an agricultural pilot for this purpose.

10.1.2 Any warning light that an agricultural pilot vehicle is required to have must be switched on when assisting with the movement of an oversize vehicle or combination crossing a critical road or a road in a critical area.

11 Driver Requirements for Agricultural Pilot or Escort Vehicle Drivers

11.1 Agricultural Pilot or Escort Vehicle Driver

11.1.1 The driver of an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle must operate the vehicle in accordance with these Guidelines when accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

11.1.2 The driver of an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle cannot authorise themself or anyone else to disobey any traffic law. However, this requirement does not apply to a police officer operating a police vehicle.

11.1.3 The driver of an agricultural pilot vehicle assisting with the movement of an oversize vehicle or combination crossing a critical road or a road in a critical area is responsible for informing the driver of an agricultural vehicle when the road is safe to cross.
11.2 Lead Agricultural Pilot or Escort Vehicle

11.2.1 In this section, when there is more than one agricultural pilot or escort required, the agricultural pilot or escort vehicle directly in front of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is classified as the lead pilot or escort vehicle.

11.2.2 When there is a requirement for only one agricultural pilot or escort vehicle, that vehicle is classified as the lead agricultural pilot or escort.

11.3 Communication

11.3.1 The driver of any agricultural pilot or escort vehicle and the driver of any oversize vehicle or combination carrying out a pilot or escort operation together must have the means to maintain two way communication between all pilots, escorts and the oversize agricultural vehicles, and each of them at all times during the pilot or escort operation.

11.4 Permits or Authorisations

11.4.1 The driver of the lead agricultural pilot or escort vehicle accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility to ensure that the conditions on permits or authorities issued applying to the movement are complied with.

11.5 Damage Caused by Oversize Agricultural Vehicles

11.5.1 The driver of an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle must report any damage caused by the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to the driver of the lead agricultural pilot or escort vehicle.

11.5.2 The driver of the lead agricultural pilot or escort vehicle accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination who is aware of any damage to property owned by Local Government and or Department of Transport and Main Roads, incurred during the movement of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination, must report the damage to the nearest Department of Transport and Main Roads office after the completion of the trip.

11.5.3 The driver of the lead agricultural pilot or escort vehicle accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination who is aware of any damage to property owned by any entity must report the damage to the appropriate authority as soon as possible. If the damage could cause a dangerous situation, it must be reported immediately.

11.6 Movement on Roads

11.6.1 The driver of the lead agricultural pilot or escort vehicle accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination has the overall responsibility to ensure that the restrictions to the movement of an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination detailed in appendix 1 are complied with.
12 Positioning Pilots or Escorts

12.1 Positioning of Agricultural Pilot, Escort and Assisting Vehicles

12.1.1 An agricultural pilot vehicle assisting with the movement of an oversize vehicle or combination crossing a critical road or a road in a critical area must be;

a) stationary in a safe position on the side of the formed part of the road; and

b) located at least 350m from the crossing oversize agricultural or combination vehicle but no further than 500m; and

c) clearly visible to oncoming traffic at a distance of at least 100m

12.1.2 The tables below indicate the positions of agricultural pilot or escort vehicles and police escort vehicles when accompanying an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

12.1.3 The tables below indicate the recommended maximum distance an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle should travel from the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination.

The relevant maximum distances may be varied by an agricultural pilot or escort or police officer, to take into consideration a particular traffic or road condition; the speed of travel of the oversize vehicle; the maximum speed limit; the location; traffic volumes; weather conditions; approaching speed; the road surface; climatic conditions; braking distances, etc.

12.1.4 The tables include:

12.A one agricultural pilot or escort vehicle

12.B two agricultural pilot or escort vehicles

12.C one agricultural pilot or escort vehicle and one police vehicle escort

12.D three agricultural pilot or escort vehicles

12.E two agricultural pilot or escort vehicles and one police vehicle escort

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12.G two agricultural pilot or escort vehicles and more than two police vehicle escorts
12.A One Agricultural Pilot or Escort Vehicle

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12.1.5 Additional vehicles required to accompany an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination as a result of requirements from permits and other authorities (railway, electricity, telco etc), will be required to travel behind the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination and in front of the rear agricultural pilot or escort until they are about to be used, to assist in the movement of the oversize or combination as determined by the pilot or escort operator.
13 Traffic Control

An escort vehicle driver must comply with the requirements of the “Guideline for Excess Dimension – Vehicles Carrying Indivisible Articles, Special Purpose Vehicles and Vehicles that require a Pilot or Escort – Form Number 4”, Section 15, “Traffic Control”.

14 Administration

14.1 Registration

14.1.1 All agricultural pilot and escort vehicles must have current vehicle registration.

14.2 Other Legislation

14.2.1 These Guidelines do not exempt the user from obtaining any permit or other authority or complying with the provisions of any other law.

14.3 Approvals from Authorities – Queensland Rail, Electrical, Telecommunication.

14.3.1 Where the dimensions of the vehicle and load are likely to interfere with overhead wires, bridges and other structures on or beside the road, approval to travel the route must be sought from the relevant authority.

14.3.2 It is the responsibility of the driver of the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination to obtain approval from the relevant organisation.

14.4 Documentation

14.4.1 The driver of an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle must carry a copy of any information sheet issued by an authority, which sets out the obligations imposed under the notice.

14.4.2 Any authority to move must be produced when requested by a member of the Police Service or an Authorised Officer.

14.5 Interstate Operators - Mutual Recognition

14.5.1 Pilots or escorts who are registered or licensed or certified or accredited in another State or Territory may operate under these Guidelines under the following conditions:

a) operation is restricted to the level of authority for which they are permitted to operate in their State of Origin; and

b) they hold, and have held for the entire 3 year period before the day of entry into Queensland, a provisional or open licence to drive a motor vehicle; and

c) operations are conducted in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in this Guideline; and

d) operators provide evidence of achieved competency if requested to do so by an authorised officer.
14.5.2 Pilots or escort drivers who reside in New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania or the Australian Capital Territory are permitted to carry out pilot or escort operations in Queensland provided:

a) they are able to produce a current drivers licence from the state they reside in; and

b) they currently reside in that state; and

c) they are able to provide evidence that they normally carry out pilot or escort operations as a means of earning a livelihood in that state.
APPENDIX 1

Oversize agricultural vehicles and combinations and agricultural pilot and escort vehicle drivers escorting oversize agricultural vehicles and combinations travelling under these Guidelines must observe the following restrictions to the prescribed areas and roads:

- **City of Brisbane**
  - Oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations are not permitted to operate in the following areas:
    a) Pacific Motorway north of its intersection with the Gateway Motorway; and
    b) Riverside Expressway; and
    c) Western Arterial Road from Miskin Street Toowong to Lloyd Street Enoggera (Frederick Street, Rouen Road, Boundary Road, Kaye Street, Macgregor Terrace, Jubilee Terrace, Elimatta Drive, Stewart Road, Wardell Street, up to Lloyd Street); and
    d) Houghton Highway Bridge, Ted Smout Bridge; and
    e) North South Bypass (Clem 7) Tunnel; and
    f) Airport Link Tunnel; and
    g) Legacy Way Tunnel (when operational).

- **City of Brisbane or Any Other City**
  - A person must not drive an oversize agricultural vehicle or combination in the Brisbane City, Gold Coast City or a Central Business District of any other City between 7.00am and 9.00am and or between 4.00pm and 6.00pm on business days.
  
  This restriction does not apply to:
    a) vehicle combinations no longer than 25m and no wider than 2.5m, operating on authorised B-Double routes; or
    b) vehicle combinations no longer than 25m and no wider than 3.2m, operating on road train routes.
  
  - Night-Time operations of oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations must comply with the requirements of Section 5.2 ‘Night Travel’, of this Guideline.

- **Queensland - South East Corner**
  - No movement on roads bounded by the area of Coolangatta in the south, Gympie in the north, Toowoomba and Warwick in the west, from:
    a) 7.00am to sunset on Saturdays and Sundays;
    b) 7.00am to sunset on a single day, state wide, public holiday; and
c) midday the day prior to state wide long weekend, 7.00am to sunset on each day of the long weekend. (A long weekend is when a weekend joins a public holiday.)

- Movements are permitted on the Warrego Highway between Toowoomba and Gailes from 10.00am - 4.00pm on Sundays and midday to sunset on a Saturday or a public holiday.

- Vehicles travelling west of Gatton must use the Gatton to Helidon Road which is the old section of the Warrego Highway.

**Note:** The section on public holidays does not include the Easter and Christmas periods.

- **Statewide Restrictions**

  An oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is not permitted to operate on any part of the following roads/bridges without contact being made with the following police to ascertain escort requirements:

  a) The Old Marlborough Sarina Road on the Sarina Range; (Sarina Police)

  b) The Peak Downs Highway on the Eton Range; (Mackay Superintendent of Traffic)

  c) The Burdekin River Bridge; (Home Hill Police) and

  d) Any road on the Kuranda Range (Cairns Police)

- Oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations travelling on the Gillies Highway (Gordonvale - Atherton Road) have limited access. Access is limited to vehicles that, when laden, are no wider than 3.048m and no longer than 19m, between the hours of 6.00pm to 7.00am and 9.00am to 4.00pm.

- Oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations travelling on the Mossman - Mt Molloy Road (Rex Highway) have limited access. Access is limited to vehicles that, when laden, are no wider than 3.048m and no longer than 19m, between the hours of 6.00pm to 7.00am and 9.00am to 4.00pm.

- Oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations travelling on the Kuranda Range (Kennedy Highway: Cairns - Mareeba) have limited access. Access is limited to vehicles that, when laden, are no wider than 3.048m and no longer than 19m, between the hours of 6.00pm to 7.00am and 9.00am to 4.00pm.

- The Peninsula Developmental Road (Mt Molloy - Laura) has limited access. Rifle Creek Bridge and McLeod River Bridge are closed to vehicles which are more than 3.3m wide (to the extreme tyre edge) and all loads which are more than 3.3m wide unless the load can be elevated at least 1.00m to clear the guard rails at the approaches.

- Cooktown Developmental Road north of Lakeland Downs is not to be used during the annual ‘wet’ season (January to June).

- The Peninsula Developmental Road north of Laura is not to be used during the annual ‘wet’ season (January to June).
• **Bridge Height Clearances**

• **Christmas and New Year Restrictions**

  - No movement, throughout Queensland, of oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations, which:

    a) do not require an agricultural pilot or escort vehicle - from 24 December to 02 January of the following year inclusive;

    b) require one agricultural pilot or escort vehicle - from 24 December to 02 January of the following year inclusive; and

    c) require more than agricultural one pilot or escort vehicle or a combination of police and agricultural pilot or escort vehicles - from 19 December to 02 January of the following year inclusive.

  - When Christmas day falls on a Sunday or a Monday, restrictions applying to oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations commencing on 24 December, will be extended to commence from 12 noon on the Friday prior to Christmas day.

  - When 01 January falls on a Friday, restrictions applying to oversize agricultural vehicles or combinations will be extended to 11.59pm on 03 January of that year.

  - Travel during the above Christmas and New Year periods is permitted, except on the roads and areas listed in Appendix 3, provided the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is being accompanied by at least one agricultural pilot above the minimum requirements of this Guideline.

• **Easter Restrictions**

  - Travel during the Easter period is permitted, except on the roads and areas listed in Appendix 3, provided the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is being accompanied by at least one agricultural pilot above the minimum requirements of this Guideline.
APPENDIX 2

- **Excluded Areas**
  - Within 100 metres from the Bruce Hwy while on a designated road that connects with the Bruce Hwy.
  - Within 250 metres in either direction of a school zone on a designated road between the hours of the posted regulated school time zone of that school.

- **Designated Roads**
  - **Whitsunday Shire**
    (5382) Crystal Brook Rd, (8501) Gregory – Cannon Valley Rd.
  - **Mackay City Shire & Mirani Shire**
    (536) Mirani – Mt Ossa Rd, (5302) Maraju – Yakapari Rd (no exemption from Bruce Hwy (10H) to Mackay Bypass Road), (5332) North Eton Rd, (516) Homebush Rd, (518) Eton – Homebush Rd.
  - **Maroochy Shire**
    Malone Rd (Forest Glen) Titree Rd (Kunda Park) Vise Rd (Kunda Park) Rd Rafting Ground Rd (Forest Glen), Espin Rd (Bli Bli), Godfreys Rd (Bli Bli), Godfreys Ave (Bli Bli), Camp Flat Rd (Bli Bli, Maroochy River), McDonalds Rd (Bli Bli), Oyster Bank Rd (Bli Bli), Finland Rd (Bli Bli, Marcoola), Prentis Rd (Bli Bli), Cooney Rd (Bli Bli), Stoney Wharf Rd (Bli Bli), LeFoes Rd (Bli Bli), Diddillibah Rd (Bli Bli), Clarkes Rd (Diddillibah), Eudlo Flats (Forest Glen, Diddillibah, Kiels Mtn), Duke Rd (Doonan), Beddington Rd (Doonan), Doonan Bridge Rd (Verriedale), Waldens Rd (Woombye), Spalls Rd (Woombye), Pringle Rd (Woombye), North Arm - Yandina Creek Rd (Nth Arm, Yandina), Running Creek Rd (Yandina) Bunya Rd (Nth Arm), Running Creek Rd (Nth Arm), Burtons Rd (Bridges), Lees Rd (Bridges), Wegner Rd (Nth Arm) Paynters Rd (Rosemount) Carrs Rd (Nth Arm), Farhill Rd (Nth Arm, Ninderry), Ninderry Rd (Ninderry, Bridges), Collins Rd (Ninderry, Yandina), Browns Creek Rd (Bridges, Cooloolabin),Claymore Rd (Sippy Downs) Valdora Rd (Valdora) Chants Rd (Valdora) Dyne Rd (Valdora) Thompson Valley Rd (Valdora) Verriedale Rd (Verriedale) Flowers Rd (Maroochy River), Cooloolabin Rd (Cooloolabin), Wappa Falls Rd (Yandina), Apps Rd (Maroochy River), Seib Rd (Eumundi, Nth Arm), Dunethin Rock Rd (Maroochy River), Jamaican Rd (Verriedale), Dahlia Rd (Verriedale), River Rd (Maroochy), Store Rd (Maroochy), River Store Rd (Maroochy), Toolborough Rd (Yandina Creek), Arcoona Rd (Yandina Creek), 5th Coolum Rd (Coolum), West Coolum Rd (Coolum).
  - **Cooloola Shire**
    Poulsen Rd (Carters Ridge), Carlson Rd (Coles Creek).
• **Noosa Shire**
  
  Kennedys Rd (Cooroy), Cootharaba Rd (Cootharaba), Pound Rd (Pomona), Ringtail Rd (Pomona), Tomkinson Rd (Kin Kin), Lake Flat Rd (Kin Kin), Wahpunga Lane (Kin Kin)

• **Caboolture Shire**
  
  Red Rd (Beerburum)

• **Caloundra City**
  
  Sattlers Rd (Meridan Plains), Westaway Ave (Meridan Plains), Reservoir Ave (Meridan Plains), Meridan Rd (Meridan Plains), Kidaman Crk Rd (Kidaman Creek), Laxton Rd (Palmview), Bells Creek Rd (Bells Creek), Yeates Rd (Beerwah)

• **Gold Coast**
  
  Ageston Rd (Alberton), Zipfs Rd (Alberton), Loves Rd (Alberton), Holmsteid Rd (Steiglitz), Rocky Point Rd (Steiglitz), New Norwell Rd (Norwell), Skopps Rd (Norwell), Fischers Rd (Norwell), Norwell Lakes Rd (Norwell), Swamp Rd (Woongoolba), Gibson Rd (Woongoolba), Cooks Rd (Woongoolba), School Rd (Woongoolba), Finglas Rd (Woongoolba), Mill Rd (Woongoolba), Helmore Rd (Jacobs Well), Woongoompah Rd (Jacobs Well), Huth Rd (Jacobs Well).
APPENDIX 3

Excluded Areas and Roads for Easter, Christmas and New Year Period

- **Excluded Areas**
  - Critical areas

- **Excluded Roads**
  - Critical and Major roads.
  - Flinders Hwy 14 A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E (Townsville – Cloncurry)
  - Barkly Hwy 15B, 15C (Mt Isa – Northern Territory border)
  - Capricorn Hwy 16D (Jericho-Barcaldine)
  - Carnarvon Dev Road 96A, 96B (Roma – Rolleston)
  - Carnarvon Hwy 24C (Surat – Roma)
  - Surat Dev Road 86A (Surat – Tara)
  - Moonie Hwy 35A (St George – Moonie)