



Caravan Industry Victoria Category & Regulation Summary



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Category	Product Type	Definition
Camper Trailers	Tent Trailer	Box Trailer with tent / canvas walls and canvas roof
	Camper Trailer	Solid roof, expanding canvas or rigid walls
Caravans	Caravan	Fixed wall/s, fixed roof
	Pop Top	Fixed walls, expanding roof
	Expander	Fold out wall/s or slide out wall/s
	Utility	Fixed walls, extra load area
Motorhome	Motorhome	Motorised commercial or truck cab fitted with a separate living area
	Campervan	Motorised van fitted with a living area within
Slide On	Slide On Caravans	Fixed walls
	Slide On Campers	Fold out canvas / rigid wall/s or slide out wall/s
5th Wheeler	Protrusions	A trailer which is coupled in the bed of the towing vehicle.

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- Vehicle Standard (Australian Design Rule - Definitions and Vehicle Categories) 2005 stipulates definitions for products such as:
 - CARAVAN- any enclosed trailer designed primarily for human occupation whilst stationary.
 - FIFTH WHEEL ASSEMBLY- a 'Fifth Wheel Coupling' including any turn-table, mounting plate, sliding assembly, load cell and other equipment mounted between the towing vehicle chassis and the trailer 'Skid Plate', but not including any 'Attachment Sections'.
 - FIFTH WHEEL COUPLING- a device, other than the 'Skid Plate' and the kingpin (which are parts of a 'Semi-Trailer'), used with a 'Prime Mover', 'Semi-Trailer' or a 'Converter Dolly' to permit quick coupling and uncoupling and to provide for articulation.
 - Goods Vehicles- 4.5.2. A vehicle constructed for both the carriage of persons and the carriage of goods shall be considered to be primarily for the carriage of goods if the number of seating positions times 68 kg is less than 50 percent of the difference between the 'Gross Vehicle Mass' and the 'Unladen Mass'.



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Section (A - Z)	Item (A - Z)	Regulation / Legislation / Requirement	Example	Caravans & Camper Trailers	5th Wheeler	Slide On	Motorhomes
Chassis	Brakes including tubing and hose	ADR 7, 38 & 42. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Brakes & axles, breakaway (if required), brake lines	X	X		X
	Coupling	VSB1, ADR 62 & AS4177. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Coupling	X	X		
	Drawbar certification	CIAV Requirement (shows) & ADR 62	ADR 62 outlines the requirements for the drawbar, engineer certification required	X	X		
	Safety Chains	ARD 62, AS4177, AS/NZS 4968, VSB1. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Safety chains, safety cable	X	X		
	Suspension	ADR 43. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Loading ratings of suspension	X	X		X
	Tyre & Rims	VSB1 and ADR 23, 24, 42 & 43, tyre and rim association of Australia standards manual, AS 2444. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Ratings of tyres and rims	X	X		X
Dimensions	Vehicle dimensions	ADR 43. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Vehicle is over width, exceeds overhand requirements etc.	X	X	X	X
Electrical	Electrical certification	CIAV Requirement (shows)	Electrical certificate	X	X	X	X
	Electrical requirement including wiring & checks	ADR 42, AS/NZS 3000 & AS/NZS 3001	Appropriate trailer plug, earthing of wiring, switchboard, power points, lighting, wiring requirements	X	X	X	X
	Lights and light signalling devices (including reflectors)	ADR 06, ADR 13, ADR 45, ADR 47, ADR 49, ADR 74 & VSB1, AS3000 & AS3001. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Reflectors and marker lights including position and colour	X	X	X	X
External Equipment	Doors	ADR 44. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Entrance door in the incorrect locations	X	X	X	X
	Exhaust	ADR, Circular 10.3.1 & 10.3.2.2. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Location of exhaust including past seating position and not exceeding the perimeter of the vehicle				X
	Protrusions	ARD 42. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Object or fitting that can cause injury to a person	X	X	X	X
	Windows & glazing materials	ARD 43, Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	50% of windows openable or appropriate ventilation, appropriate material	X	X	X	X
	Wheel guards (mudguards)	ADR 42, Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Wheel guards including covering the width of the tyre	X	X		X
	Child restraint	ADR 34, ADR 03, ADR 04 & ADR 05. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Appropriate child restraints				X



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Internal Equipment	Fire precautions	VSB 1, AS1850 & AS2444. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Fire extinguisher	X	X		X
	Labels	Circular 0-4-12, Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Appropriate labels required e.g. seating				X
	Lavatory & sink/hand basin and shower	ADR 42 and VSB1. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Contents do not enter back into main system	X	X	X	X
	Television and visual display units	ADR 42. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Visual equipment secured correctly and does not restrict drivers visibility				X
Plumbing	Gas installations & Plumbing certification	AS 5601, Building Act 1993, Gas Installations AS 5601, Building Act 1993, Gas Installations 2008, NCC 2016	Plumbing certification including gas, water and other appropriate certificates	X	X	X	X
	Gas installations checks	AS 5601, AS 3500, AS 2030, AS/NZS 1596, AS 4617 AS4618, Building Act 1993, Gas Installations 2008, Gas Safety Act 1997	Ventilation, flue to opening, upright vertical surface, appliance certification	X	X	X	X
	Plumbing (watermark)	Building Act 1993, Plumbing Regulations 2008, NCC 2016	Heated products are WaterMarked	X	X	X	X
Ratings & Masses	Minimum payloads	Circular 0-4-12. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Vehicle meets minimum required payloads				X
	Weights	Competition and Consumer Act & CIAV Requirement (shows). Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Vehicle weighed with weighbridge documentation and compare to ensure vehicle is not underrated	X	X	X	X
Show Requirements	Compliance paperwork does not match vehicle on display	CIAV Requirement (shows)	Compliance paperwork supplied matches vehicles on display	X	X	X	X
	Vehicle declared	CIAV Requirement (shows)	Vehicle declared it was coming to show	X	X	X	X
Vehicle compliance & markings	Definitions	Vehicle Standard (Australian Design Rule -Definitions and Vehicle Categories). Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Outlines the definitions of all the terms e.g. caravan, tare mass etc.	X	X	X	X
	Seating Compliance	Circular 0-4-12. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	seating label for motorhomes				X
	Second Stage Manufacture	0-4-6. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	2nd stage manufacturer compliance requirements for motorhomes				X
	Structural requirements	VSB 1, Competition and Consumer Act	must be safe and fit for purpose, structure capable of supporting the designed payload with the safety factors for highway and off-road use, slide on appropriate attachment	X	X	X	X



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	Vehicle identification including VIN number and engine number	ADR 61. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Vehicle has a VIN number, is 17 characters, is stamped on the drawbar with required character height, engine number for motorhome	X	X		X
	Vehicle plate (Compliance plate) including tyre placard	VSB1, ADR 61, Circular 0-4-6 & 0-4-12 ADR 23, 24 & 42. Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009	Vehicle plate including information on the vehicle plate and how and where its attached	X	X		X

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- CIV will have to right to make the final decisions on compliance including items which may be a gap or grey area in the regulations. Though, the basis of this decisions will be in consultation and based on whether the non-compliance is a safety issue.