

Australian Accreditation Schemes for Long Distance Trucking


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National Schemes

- NHVAS (National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme)
– Vehicles over 12 tonne GVM - **NOT COMPULSORY**
- Trucksafe – commenced before NHVAS was Nationally rolled out (was being “tested” in Victoria)- **NOT COMPULSORY**
- Main Roads Western Australian Scheme Operated by Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) as WA are not in the National Scheme – **COMPULSORY in WA**



NHVAS (National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme)

- Operated by the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) this is run by the Federal Government and individual states have put in place complementary Acts of each Parliament to bring it into operation in their jurisdictions – WA & NT have not accepted
- **An experienced Auditor rates the NHVR Scheme as 8/10 and the associated processes as 6/10**



Trucksafe

- A scheme operated by the Australian Trucking Association (ATA) and originally designed to also create a revenue for the Member Associations.
- Auditors at 'arms length' as paid by Trucksafe, not the business being audited
- Accepted by authorities as it uses the NHVR Standards of Mass, Maintenance and Basic Fatigue
- An experienced Auditor rates the Trucksafe Scheme as 5/10 and the associated processes as 7/10
- Trucksafe also includes modules for:
 - Management Training; On road compliance; Fitness for Duty & Driver Health

Trucksafe Fees


TruckSafe fee schedule 1 July 2017 – 30 June 2018

Level	Powered Units	Fee Type	TruckSafe Only (\$)	TruckSafe Inc Animal Welfare (\$)	Frequency
1	1	Initial Membership	2032	2868	One off
		Annual Fees	662	1035	Annually
2	2-4	Initial Membership	2192	3028	One off
		Annual Fees	902	1276	Annually
3	5-9	Initial Membership	2877	3714	One off
		Annual Fees	1277	1650	Annually
4	10-19	Initial Membership	3792	4629	One off
		Annual Fees	1767	2140	Annually
5	20-39	Initial Membership	5177	6013	One off
		Annual Fees	2258	2631	Annually
6	40-89	Initial Membership	5940	6777	One off
		Annual Fees	2998	3372	Annually
7	90-249	Initial Membership	8857	9693	One off
		Annual Fees	4241	4614	Annually
8	>249	Initial Membership	10767	11604	One off
		Annual Fees	6336	6710	Annually
Workshop		Initial Membership	0	NA	NA
		Annual Fees	1838	NA	Annually




Main Roads WA Scheme

- Operated by Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) as WA are not in the National Scheme
- **Compulsory** for all Commercial Vehicles operating at over 4.5 tonne gross mass that operate in Western Australia even if based in other states.
- **An experienced Auditor rates the MRWA Scheme as 8/10 and the associated processes as 6/10**



Auditors – enforcers or educators?

- Have to be accredited through Exemplar Global for all schemes
- NHVAS auditors also separately registered with scopes noted. Fatigue noted separately for those able to cover this
- Auditors can be anyone that completes the ‘on line exams’ (open book exams), used to have to also be ISO 9001 accredited



Auditors – enforcers or educators?

- No restrictions based on industry experience (or lack of)
- Around 100 auditors across Australia
- About 10% have useful industry experience, many are regulators who have been made redundant and then establish a ‘tick a box’ paperwork based audit system – audits conducted over the phone or even online
- ‘Auditor shopping’ can be an issue – find someone who will give you the ticks you need

How many trucks operate in Australia?

• 3,692,792

Avg Age
Aust -
yrs

-3,079,590 - Light Commercial	1.5 to 4.5tonne	83.39%	10.5
- 150,371 - Light Rigid	4.5 to 12 tonne capacity	4.07%	11.2
	-Western Australia -25,743 – 17.12%		
- 341,178 - Heavy Rigid	Over 12 tonne	9.24%	15.7
	- Western Australia -28,156 –8.25%		
- 98,108 - Articulated	Over 12 tonne	2.66%	11.9
	- Western Australia -15,242 – 15.54%		
- 23,465 - Other (non freight)		0.59%	15.0

Note: BUSES = 96,930 Motor Cycles= 678,790 (Victoria 160,634.. ?%)

all data from published Australian Bureau of Statistics National Registration Statistics to Jan 2017
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