

WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

PURSUANT to sections 152 and 155(b) of the Land Transport Act 1998

I, Michael Woodhouse, Associate Minister of Transport,

HEREBY make the following ordinary Rule:

Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

This *28th* day of *MARCH* 2013



Michael Woodhouse
Associate Minister of Transport

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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment 2013 (the amendment Rule) amends *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels 2001* (the Tyres and Wheels Rule). The Tyres and Wheels Rule sets out standards and other requirements for tyres and wheels, and their assembly with hubs and axles, on all motor vehicles and on pedal cycles.

The objective of this amendment Rule, and of amendments to seven other Land Transport Rules, is to ensure that legislation that affects the primary production sector is fit for purpose and does not impose unnecessary costs or restrictions, including on the ability of the sector to manage critical operations where time or the weather is a limiting factor.

The amendment Rule amends the definition of ‘all-terrain vehicle’, which has applied primarily to quad bikes. This will enable a wider range of vehicles, including some side-by-side utility vehicles, to be operated as all-terrain vehicles and will assist the primary production sector in obtaining registration of these types of vehicle.

Extent of consultation

For the purposes of consultation, proposed amendments to Land Transport Rules applying to vehicles used for agricultural purposes were combined into a single Rule, *Land Transport Rule: Agricultural Vehicles Omnibus 2012* (the Omnibus Rule). The Rule amendment proposals arose out of a review of agricultural transport legislation in 2012 involving government agencies, key transport and agriculture industry stakeholders and the public.

On 19 October 2012, the NZ Transport Agency sent details of the amendment proposals by letter or email to approximately 2300 groups and individuals who had registered an interest in the Rules to be amended. The Omnibus Rule was made available

through the NZ Transport Agency's Contact Centre and, together with Questions and Answers, was also made available on the NZ Transport Agency's website. The availability of the amendment proposals for comment was publicised in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin and in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

The NZ Transport Agency received 29 submissions on the Omnibus Rule, of which 22 commented on proposed amendments to definitions used in the Rules.

All the submissions that were received on the Omnibus Rule were taken into account in finalising the Rules before they were submitted to the Associate Minister of Transport for signing.

Section 1 Application

1.1 Title

This Rule is *Land Transport Rule: Tyres and Wheels Amendment 2013*.

1.2 Commencement

This Rule comes into force on 1 June 2013.

1.3 Scope of Rule

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

Section 2 Amendment to Definitions

2.1 Amendment to definition

In the definition of ‘All-terrain vehicle’ delete “special purpose”.