Route Access Condition Notice

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Entire Network

This RACN details changes to section 11 in line with ARTCs new plant registration system.
11.2 Registration and Warranty

ARTC maintains a [listing-register] of track maintenance vehicles that are registered for operation on the ARTC Network.

Vehicle Owners/Operators intending to operate new or substantially modified track maintenance vehicles on the ARTC Network shall register each vehicle with ARTC.

For registration to occur, the vehicle Owner/Operator shall warrant vehicles for compliance to relevant standards, in accordance with EPP-32-01 Track Maintenance Vehicle Registration and Operation, and verify interface compliance to WOS 01 – ARTC Minimum Operating Standards as amended by the EPP Series of standards for Rolling-Stock or PP-124.1 Track Maintenance Vehicle Registration and Operation.

11.3 Vehicles Requiring Registration

A vehicle that travels, or may need to travel or be transferred on the ARTC Network shall be registered by the owner/operator of the vehicle. Vehicles requiring registering are detailed in EPP-32-01 Track Maintenance Vehicle Registration and Operation. This includes:

- Classified heavy weight rail bound vehicles. These shall be treated and registered as rolling stock.
- Heavy weight rail bound vehicles, heavy weight road/rail vehicles and light weight road/rail vehicles. These shall be treated and registered as track maintenance vehicles.
11.4 Vehicles Not Requiring Registration

Vehicles that operate within the protection of a worksite and do not travel on the ARTC Network do not require registration. These include:

- worksite only vehicles

The owner/Operator of these vehicles shall establish systems to ensure compliance with the relevant technical requirements of WOS 01 - ARTC Minimum Operating Standards for Rolling Stock.

11.511.4 Operation of Track Maintenance Vehicles

Track maintenance vehicle operation shall be conducted in compliance with the relevant rules and procedures for the area of operation. These include:

- NSW Rules and Procedures, ANWT316 Track Vehicles
- The Code of Practice for the DIRN Volume 3, Part 1, 6.4 Track Vehicles and Machines

Track maintenance vehicles shall operate and comply with the following:

- a hazard light shall be fitted, unobstructed and switched on for all-round visibility
- head and tail lights shall be fitted and switched on
- audible warning detonator detection shall be fitted and whistle signals used for safety at and within worksites
- the maximum allowable vehicle operating speed shall be permanently displayed in the vehicle for Operator compliance; or as permitted and registered with ARTC's Electronic Track Maintenance Vehicle Register PlantGUARD, otherwise the vehicle shall be operated at a maximum speed of 15 km/h for vehicles up to five tonnes and 30 km/h for vehicles 5 tonnes and over
- any other speed restrictions shall be adhered to that relate to the nature and characteristics of the vehicle as determined by the Constructor, Maintainer or vehicle manufacturer.
- Data Loggers also called event recorders shall be fitted for use in Western Australia.
- Vigilance systems shall be fitted for use in Western Australia.

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