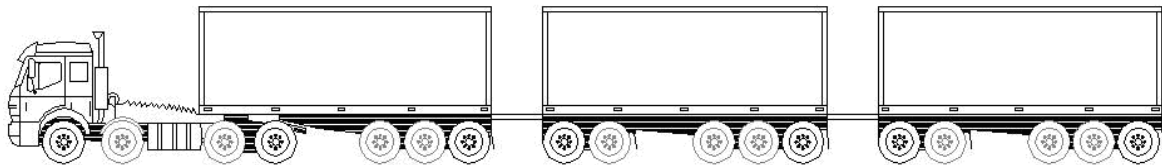




Restricted Access Vehicle

**Short Triple Road Train
Period Permit**

Operating Conditions



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DEFINITIONS

The following are definitions for terms used in these Operating Conditions. Refer to the definitions in the Road Traffic (Vehicles) Act 2012 and any subsidiary legislation to this Act for the meanings of any terms not defined in this section. If a definition in the Road Traffic (Vehicles) Act 2012 or the subsidiary legislation conflicts with a definition in this section, the definition in this section prevails for the purpose of these Operating Conditions.

Fixed Dolly: means a trailer with one axle group or single axle, and a fixed ball race turntable, designed to convert a semi-trailer into a dog trailer.

Local Government road: means a road that is under the responsibility of the Local Government of the district in which it is situated.

Main Roads road: means a road that is under the responsibility of Main Roads WA and identified with a number that begins with the letter **H or M**.

Main Roads website: www.mainroads.wa.gov.au

Permit: means the Permit that is issued subject to these Operating Conditions, under the provisions of Part 4 of the Road Traffic (Vehicles) Act 2012, which these Operating Conditions form part of.

Posted Speed Limit: means the speed limit indicated on the speed limit sign or in the absence of a speed limit sign in a built-up area, 50 kilometres per hour.

Prime Mover: a motor vehicle, other than a *Truck*, built primarily to tow a semi trailer, but does not include a modified prime mover built primarily to carry a load or carry out a function other than towing a semi trailer.

RAV: means Restricted Access Vehicle and for the purpose of these Operating Conditions means a vehicle combination to which the "*Short Triple Road Train Period Permit*" applies.

Tandem Drive Network 9: The Tandem Drive Network 9 approved roads are published in the form of Road Tables or are available on the RAV Mapping Tool on the Main Roads website.

1. APPLICATION

The “*Short Triple Road Train Period Permit*” only applies to a vehicle combination with a maximum length of 36.5 metres and consisting of:

- a) A prime mover with either a single or twin steer axle group and with a tandem drive axle group;
- b) A first semi-trailer with either a tandem or tri axle group;
- c) A second semi-trailer with either a tandem or tri axle group;
- d) A rear semi-trailer with a **tri axle group only**; and
- e) Converter dollies or fixed dollies with **tandem axle groups only**.

2. SPEED RESTRICTIONS

A RAV must not be driven on a road at a speed that exceeds:

- a) The maximum speed (if any) specified as a condition for the road in the applicable RAV Network Road Table; or
- b) For a Local Government road, the lesser of (a) or 10km/h lower than the posted speed limit, where the speed limit for that road is greater than 60km/h.

3. COMPULSORY WA HEAVY VEHICLE ACCREDITATION

The operator or permit holder must be accredited under the WA Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme (WAHVAS)

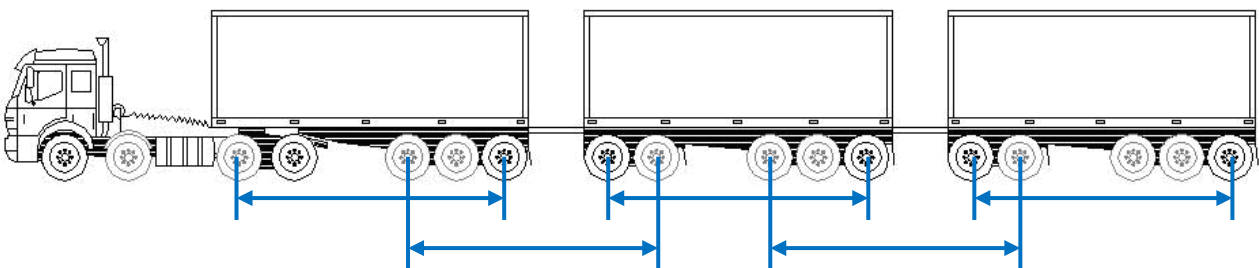
4. AXLE SPACING

A RAV operating under the “*Short Triple Road Train Period Permit*” must comply with the minimum axle spacing requirements specified below:

	Adjacent axles or axle groups	Minimum distance (measured between extreme axles)
1.	Tandem axle group to tandem axle group	5.6m
2.	Tandem axle group to tri-axle group	6.9m

How to measure extreme axle spacing:

Axle spacing measurements are taken from the outmost extreme axles of the two adjacent axle groups, as shown below:



Note: “Tandem axle group” does not include a twin steer axle group.

5. APPROVED ROADS

- 5.1 A RAV operating under the “*Short Triple Road Train Period Permit*” must not operate on any road except a road specified in the “*Short Triple Road Train Network*”, available on the Main Roads website.

Note: There will be no further expansion of the Short Triple Road Train Network.

- 5.2 Despite Clause 5.1, a RAV may also operate on any road listed in *Tandem Drive Network 9 Table of Permitted Roads*. *Tandem Drive Network 9 Table of Permitted Roads* is available on the Main Roads website.
- 5.3 A RAV must only be driven on a road listed in the “Short Triple Road Train Network” and must be driven in accordance with the conditions (if any) specified for the particular road.
- 5.4 Local Government agreement is required for the use of roads under Local Government control. When operating on roads under Local Government control all Local Government conditions must be complied with.

6. AMENDMENTS TO OPERATING CONDITIONS AND HEAVY VEHICLE TRAVEL IMPACT TABLES

- 6.1 These Operating Conditions are subject to occasional amendments. If amendments are made that impact transport operators, they will be published as an “HVS Update” on the Main Roads website on the first working day of the month. Operators and drivers are required to ensure that they are operating vehicles on the public road network in accordance with the current and up to date Operating Conditions.
- 6.2 Heavy Vehicle Travel Impact Tables are published when road conditions may impede the movement of Restricted Access Vehicles. Operators and drivers are required to check the Heavy Vehicle Travel Impact Tables on the Main Roads website prior to operating the vehicle on the public road network to ensure that there is no relevant information that will impede their vehicle operating on the WA road network.
- 6.3 All conditions stipulated in HVS Updates or Heavy Vehicle Travel Impact Tables must be adhered to.

AMMENDMENT TABLE

Amendment Date	Amended Section	Amendment Description
August 2019	Section 6	Added section
October 2019	Section 6	Amended section to refer to Heavy Vehicle Travel Impact Tables
4 August 2020	Page 3 (Definitions) Section 5.2	Changed reference from RAV Network 9 to Tandem Drive Network 9