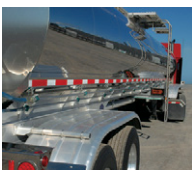




Application for a dangerous goods vehicle licence

Applying for dangerous goods
vehicle licence including:

- new applications
- amendments
- transfers



Applying for a licence

Resources Safety wants to ensure that the transport of dangerous goods is undertaken with minimal risks to the community.

Only "road tank vehicles" (vehicles where the tank forms an integral part of the vehicle) require licensing for the transport of dangerous goods. This does not include vehicles where a removable tank has been bolted on to, or attached to a vehicle and does not structurally comprise part of the vehicle.

The Dangerous Goods Safety (Road and Rail Transport of Non-Explosives) Regulations 2007 (the regulations) retain the option to licence a non-road tank vehicle to transport dangerous goods if they:

- are used to transport dangerous goods in other States and need to be licensed when operating there;
- cannot be licensed in another State because the vehicle is based in Western Australia; or
- would be granted a licence in another State if it was based there.

Drivers and vehicles transporting intermediate bulk containers (IBCs) do not require licensing if the total capacity on the vehicle is no more than 3,000 litres and they are not filled or emptied on the vehicle.

Licences are issued for 5 years and persons who wish to licence a vehicle to transport dangerous goods in bulk must:

- ensure that the vehicle and its operation complies with the Australian Dangerous Goods Code, 7th edition (ADG7) and the regulations;
- provide evidence that the vehicle is licensed under the *WA Road Traffic Act 1974* in the name of the applicant;
- obtain the relevant public liability insurance;
- prove the vehicle is roadworthy; and
- apply for the licence and pay the fees.

Dangerous goods vehicle licences can only be issued in the name of the registered owner of the vehicle. It is for this reason the application must be supported by a copy of the vehicle registration licence.

Vehicles not registered in Western Australia

Vehicles that are licensed in another State or Territory of Australia for the transport of dangerous goods are taken to be similarly licensed in this State while the dangerous goods licence remains valid.

Vehicles that fall into either of the following categories can be licensed to transport dangerous goods in Western Australia and are exempt from being registered under the *WA Road Traffic Act 1974*.

- Vehicles weighing 4.5 tonnes or over registered under the *Federal Interstate Road Transport Act 1985*
- Vehicles registered in another State or Territory of Australia.

Existing dangerous goods vehicle licences

Many applicants have more than one vehicle used in the bulk transport of dangerous goods. The regulations require applicants to notify the Chief Officer at the time of application of the details of other dangerous goods vehicle licences held.

Transport of ammonium nitrate

Substances containing more than 45% ammonium nitrate are classified as security risk substances (SRS). The transport of SRS is now covered under the Dangerous Goods Safety (Security Risk Substances) Regulations 2007.

Any vehicle used for the transport of SRS will need to be covered under a Dangerous Goods Vehicle Licence and the operator will also need to hold an SRS Transport Licence. The latter is an umbrella type licence for one or many vehicles that are used for the transport of SRS.

The main focus of the SRS regulations is on the security of ammonium nitrate and operators must prepare and lodge a security plan to demonstrate that all aspects of their operation can be performed in a safe and secure manner. Furthermore, any driver with unsupervised access to ammonium nitrate must:

- hold a current Dangerous Goods Drivers Licence;
- hold a current WA Dangerous Goods Security Card (DGSC); and
- be authorised by their employer as a secure employee.

More information on the SRS Transport Licence, and the DGSC for drivers can be found in the Application for an SRS Transport Licence on the Resources Safety website.

Integrity information

The regulations do not allow the Chief Officer to grant a licence if a court, anywhere in Australia, has issued an order that prohibits the applicant from involvement in the transport of dangerous goods by road. Applicants are asked a question on this matter in the application.

Public liability insurance

The owner must not use or permit the vehicle to be used to transport a placard load unless it is covered by a policy of insurance of at least \$5,000,000 as required by the regulations. This includes cover for property damage, personal injury and other damage arising out of any fire, explosion, leakage, or spillage of the dangerous goods in, or from, the container transported on the vehicle. It also is to include the costs incurred by a government authority in a clean-up resulting from any of the above actions.

Emergency responders

A prime contractor transporting a placard load of dangerous goods in Western Australia must either:

- be an approved emergency responder; or
- have a contract with an approved emergency responder.

The role of the emergency responder is to control the clean-up response that may result from an incident involving a road vehicle transporting the dangerous goods. For further information on emergency responders please see the reference material list at the end of this section.

Obligations of a licensee

Licence holders must comply with the provisions of the *Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004* and Regulations and ADG7, including but not limited to such matters as:

- safe operations of licensed vehicles and associated equipment
- licensing of drivers and provision of documentation
- reporting of dangerous goods transport incidents
- packing and placarding
- approved transport routes
- emergency responder requirements
- compliance with any licence conditions.

A licensee must also inform the Chief Officer within 14 days of becoming aware of any information that differs in a material way from that given in the original application for a licence or renewal of a licence.

Such changes may include any of the following and another application form must be completed:

- a move to personalised plates
- change of engine number
- changes to the classes of dangerous goods being transported
- change to the location where vehicle is normally garaged (this is important for inspection purposes)
- the vehicle owner becoming prohibited by a court order from being involved in the transport of dangerous goods
- the vehicle is no longer roadworthy

Any notification of changes to the postal address provided in the application for a Dangerous Goods Vehicle Licence must be in writing, either by letter or email, quoting the licence number and vehicle registration.

There are no additional costs for amending a licence.

Transfers of licence

The regulations allow for the transfer of a dangerous goods vehicle licence to another party that has purchased the vehicle. Within 21 days of the business transfer, the new owner must:

- lodge an application with Resources Safety for the transfer of the dangerous goods vehicle licence;
- attach a copy of the vehicle registration licence (that shows the name of the new owner and the vehicle details); and
- attach the Dangerous Goods Vehicle Licence (obtained from the previous owner).

There is no charge for the licence transfer but applicants should take note of the licence expiry date as it may be appropriate to arrange a renewal if there is less than two months before the licence is due to expire.

If the licence in question is not current then transfer is not permitted. In these situations an application by the new owner will be dealt with in the same manner as any other new application.

Reference materials

- *Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004*
- Dangerous Goods Safety (Road and Rail Transport of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007

(downloads of the Act and regulations are available free on the State Law Publisher's website at www.slp.wa.gov.au)

- Australian Dangerous Goods Code, 7th edition

(available from www.canprint.com.au or Can Print, Phone: 1300 889 873 or download from the National Transport Commission website - www.ntc.gov.au)

- Australian Standard AS2809 - Road tank vehicles for dangerous goods

(copies of Australian Standards are available from SAI Global. Phone: 13 12 42 or www.saiglobal.com/shop)

- Application for a Dangerous Goods Driver Licence
- Application for an Explosives Transport Licence
- Application for an SRS Transport Licence
- DGS Guidance Note 2012 - Dangerous goods transport documents
- DGS Guidance Note T03/08 - Safety equipment for road vehicles
- DGS Guidance Note T07/08 - Road transport in receptacles of 500 L or kg or less
- DGS Guidance Note T08/08 - Road transport in receptacles of more than 500 L or kg
- DGS Guidance Note 2012 - Route selection, vehicle stopping and bulk transfer
- DGS Guide - Approval of responders to dangerous goods emergencies
- Application for approval as an emergency responder to dangerous goods incidents
- DGS Guideline, 2011 - Reporting dangerous goods incidents
- Schedule of fees and charges for dangerous goods

(available from www.dmp.wa.gov.au/ResourcesSafety)

Compliance

The technical requirements for vehicles designed to carry dangerous goods are contained in ADG 7 and the Dangerous Goods Safety (Road and Rail Transport of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007. All tanks require Resources Safety approval. Resources Safety provides information on vehicle specifications and other requirements for road transport of dangerous goods.

Vehicle rollover devices

If the vehicle is intended to transport flammable cargo (Division 2.1, Classes 3 and 4), a vehicle rollover device (VRD) must be fitted to the vehicle that provides the propulsion, as per Australian Standard AS 2809 Road tank vehicles for dangerous goods. (Prime movers pulling tankers constructed prior to 2000 and rigid vehicles constructed prior to 2000 do not have to be retrospectively fitted with a VRD.)

Tank approval number

The applicant must refer to the compliance plate that shows compliance with Australian Standard 2809 Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 to get the approval number.

The following approval number types are issued by the different States:

- Victoria – VDGT followed by three or four numbers
- Queensland – QRT followed by three numbers
- New South Wales – DG2/XXX (reference no.) YYY (approval type code)
- Western Australia — DG class number, then 6 (for WA) followed by six numbers

(e.g. 36010105 means a Class 3 tank (first number), WA approval (second number), first unit of that design that was built (third and fourth numbers used for the unit number), first design approval number issued that year (fifth and sixth number), year of design approval 2005 (seventh and eighth number).

For all tanks please provide a copy of the document issued by the relevant competent authority that verifies the approval number.

If the approval number is not one of the above types, you must obtain written confirmation of the approval number from the relevant competent authority in Australia.

Resources Safety may inspect the vehicle for compliance and information will be sought on where the vehicle is normally garaged.

Prove the vehicle is roadworthy

The vehicle must pass a roadworthiness inspection conducted by the Department of Transport (DOT), a DOT accredited agent or an interstate equivalent. The applicant must submit the original (not more than six months old) DOT Inspection Certificate (MR1). MR1 is not required for a new vehicle in its first year of registration.

The applicant must provide a copy of the vehicle registration licence issued by the relevant authority.

Application lodgement

Complete the application section, including the checklist and attach all the required information. **Incomplete applications cannot be processed and will be returned.**

The completed application form, together with relevant documents and the relevant fee payable to the Department of Mines and Petroleum, is to be mailed to:

Resources Safety
Department of Mines and Petroleum
100 Plain Street
East Perth WA 6004

or handed in person at:

Resources Safety
1 Adelaide Terrace
East Perth WA 6004

Office hours: 8.30 am to 4.30 pm

Note : Licences cannot be issued over the counter.

Contact details

Tel: (08) 9358 8001
Fax: (08) 9358 8000
Email: rsdclientservices@dmp.wa.gov.au
Website: www.dmp.wa.gov.au/ResourcesSafety for fees, forms, FAQs, guidance material and publications.

Note: Please refer to the schedule of fees and charges on the Resources Safety website for the current fee applicable to this application for licence.



Government of Western Australia
 Department of **Mines and Petroleum**
 Resources Safety

Application no. (office use only)

DVB

Application for a dangerous goods vehicle licence

Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004

Dangerous Goods Safety (Road and Rail Transport of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007

ABN: 69 410 335 356

1. What are you applying for? (please tick one)

A new licence (N)

Classes / Divisions of dangerous goods transported (tick the boxes that apply) 2 2.1 3 4 5 5.1 6.1 8 9

Please list the numbers of any other dangerous goods vehicle licences held.

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(If insufficient space please attach a separate sheet)

Amendment to an existing licence (A) Licence no.

Briefly describe the amendment(s) required to the licence. Outline products to be added/deleted in this space:

Transfer of licence (T) (to be completed by new owner within 21 days of vehicle transfer)

- Copy of vehicle registration licence to be attached.
- Existing dangerous goods vehicle licence to be attached (obtain from previous owner).

2. Registered vehicle owner/lessee (as shown on vehicle registration licence)

Name on vehicle registration licence

ABN (if applicable)

Phone

Facsimile

Email

Mobile

Residential address

Unit no. Street no. Lot no. Street name

Town/suburb State Postcode

Postal address (only complete if different from above)

Unit no. Street no. Lot no. Street name

PO box no. Town/suburb State Postcode

3. Vehicle details

Plate number Licence expiry date / /

State in which vehicle licensed Make

Body type Tank trailer Rigid tank Non-tank vehicle

Engine no. (if applicable) Chassis/VIN

State in which vehicle licensed Year of manufacture

4. Vehicle location (where it is normally garaged)

Business / trading name (if applicable)

Property name (if applicable)

Phone Facsimile

Street address

Unit no. Street no. Lot no. Street name

Town/suburb State Postcode

5. Tank approval (for tank trailers and rigid tank only)

Year of manufacture Tank serial no.

Approval no. (see Compliance — information section)

Date of last pressure-tightness test for hatches, vents and valves (except for pressure vessels) / /

6. Integrity information

Is the applicant prohibited by a court order from involvement in the transport of dangerous goods by road? Yes No

If 'yes', please attach a copy of the court order.

7. Insurance

Have you obtained a minimum of \$5,000,000 public liability insurance in accordance with Part 18 of the Dangerous Goods Safety (Road and Rail Transport of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007? Yes No

