

REAR MARKING PLATES & DO NOT OVERTAKE TURNING VEHICLE SIGNS

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Vehicle Standards Bulletin 12 (VSB 12): National Code of Practice Rear Marking Plates for all motor vehicles over 12t GVM and for all trailers over 10t GTM is the national standard for Rear Marking Plates and outlines the use and installation requirements for these plates.

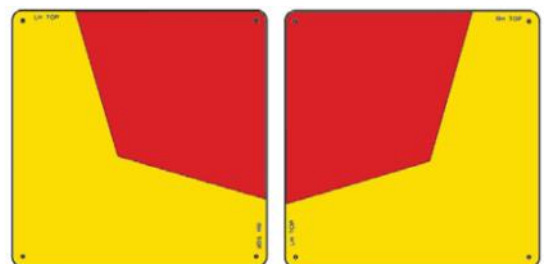
It is a regulatory requirement that Rear Marking Plates are installed on certain vehicles to improve their visibility and a *Do Not Overtake Turning Vehicle (DNOTV)* sign may also need to be provided to warn other motorists. More information on these plate requirements can be found below.

FITTING REAR MARKING PLATES

The fitment/ installation of Rear Marking Plates is determined by a Recreational Vehicle's Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) or Gross Trailer Mass (GTM).

MUST BE FITTED	
Vehicle Type	Mass Rating
Trailer	GTM over 10 Tonnes
Motorised Vehicle	GVM over 12 Tonnes

MAY BE FITTED	
Vehicle Type	Mass Rating
Trailer	GTM less than 10 Tonnes
Motorised Vehicle	GVM less than 12 Tonnes



Rear Marking Plates—Example (Category 33 Type)
More information on other plate categories can be found in the *Rear Marking Plates Summary Sheet* within [VSB 12](#).

When Rear Marking Plates are fitted, they must be installed in accordance with the positioning and fastening requirements specified in VSB 12. Furthermore, when sourcing Rear Marking Plates ensure these are constructed of compliant material as well as the prescribed size.



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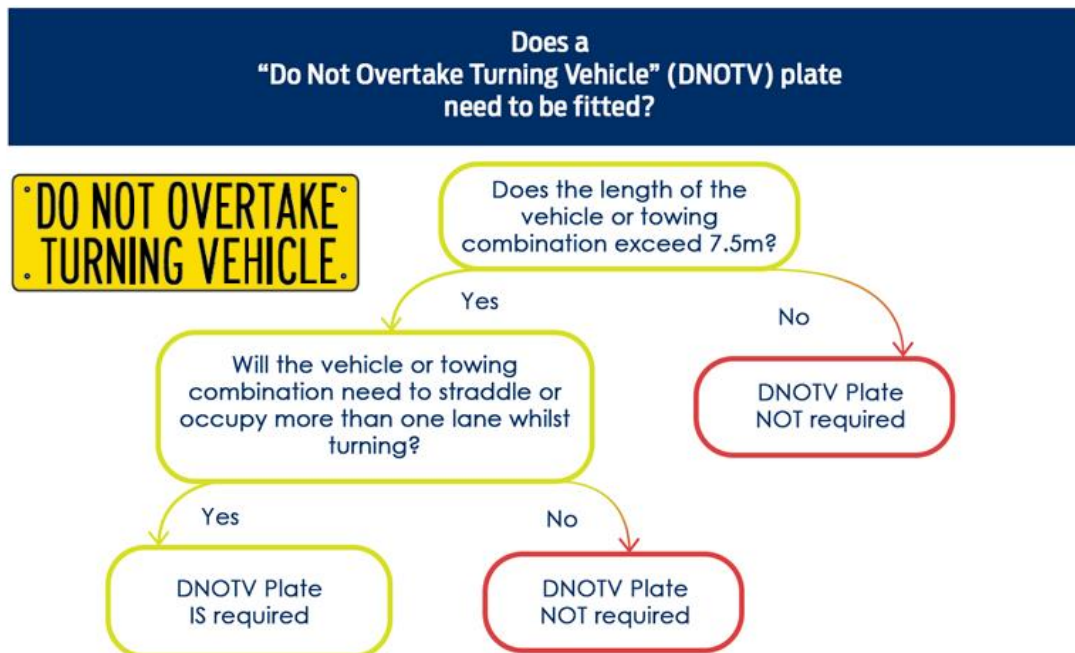
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DO NOT OVERTAKE TURNING VEHICLE (DNOTV) PLATE REQUIREMENTS

It is a road rule that a DNOTV plate is provided/ fitted as applicable in each state/ territory jurisdiction. These requirements apply to heavy and light vehicles as well as combinations. To determine whether one of these plates needs to be fitted, refer to the flowchart below:



It is important to note that straddling adjacent lanes whilst turning without a DNOTV plate fitted may be illegal in some jurisdictions. When fitted, DNOTV signs are to be constructed of compliant material, be the prescribed size and be installed in accordance with the positioning and fastening requirements specified in VSB 12. Please note some states/ territories may require larger DNOTV than those specified in VSB 12.

FURTHER READING

For more information on the use and fitment of Rear Marking Plates and DNOTV Signs, refer to [Vehicle Standards Bulletin 12 \(VSB 12\)](#).



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