

## BULLETIN: 84/2021

### EXTENSION OF TRUCK CURFEWS EXEMPTION

The Victorian Government has extended the removal of truck curfews to support deliveries to Victorian pharmacies and supermarkets during the current COVID-19 restrictions.

A truck curfew exemption now applies across the State up to 11.59pm 5 November 2021.

The Ministerial Order can be revoked before 5 November 2021 if warranted.

This will help supermarkets and pharmacies meet an anticipated high demand of essential household goods.

Greater flexibility is required in scheduling driver deliveries to meet what is expected to be a very high demand period, which will mean deliveries outside of normal operating hours.

Heavy vehicles can pass time-based curfew "no trucks" signs when they are making grocery deliveries to supermarkets or personal hygiene products to retail outlets.

Heavy vehicles can also remain in loading zones for the time required to make these deliveries.

The Department of Transport continues to work with local government, communities and industry to ensure that truck curfews are not enforced on Victorian roads during the exemption period.

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator is monitoring and enforcing compliance in curfew areas, with officers using their discretion in relation to heavy vehicles parked near distribution centres and supermarkets.

The truck curfew exemption period will be reviewed in line with public health advice.

The Government Gazette notice is available here:

<http://www.gazette.vic.gov.au/gazette/Gazettes2021/GG2021S528.pdf>.

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