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## Travel Time Exemptions

The *Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2016* (the Rule) resulted in a change to the swept path performance criteria. This change restricted a large portion of mobile cranes from obtaining travel time exemptions when compared to the revoked 2002 Rule.

Transport Specifications Limited (TSL) has discussed these performance criteria with the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) and the repercussions for mobile cranes attempting to obtain travel time exemptions.

The NZTA has agreed on a new performance criterion that TSL has devised for providing travel time exemptions/reductions for mobile cranes, while a rule amendment is being discussed. TSL performance criteria is designed specifically for mobile cranes, resulting in a large portion of mobile cranes to be exempt from all travel time restrictions.

These criteria consider the dimensions (including all equipment) of a mobile crane, which is then split into one of two divisions. The first division provides an exemption from all travel time restrictions. The second division reduces large mobile cranes travel time requirements to a category 1 over dimension vehicle.

TSL have constructed an application form that will determine each mobile crane's new travel time category. Mobile cranes are the only applicable vehicle and, for eligibility purposes, has been defined as:

*A self-propelled vehicle with the sole purpose of lifting objects. This definition does not include vehicles fit with a crane apparatus that can be used for any other purpose, such as transporting loads.*

A \$180 fee will apply for reviewing the application, determining the new travel time category and providing an exemption (if applicable).

Applications can be received from TSL via [Matthew@tsltd.co.nz](mailto:Matthew@tsltd.co.nz), or by contacting 09-415 9060.

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