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ROAD SAFETY ROAD RULES 2009

Declaration of Approved Seatbelts

1. Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to declare certain types of seatbelts to be approved seatbelts for the purposes of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009.

2. Authorising provision

This notice is made under rule 407(h) of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009.

Notes:

- The dictionary to the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 defines an **approved seatbelt** as a seatbelt of a type that is approved, for the purposes of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009, by the Roads Corporation under rule 407(h) of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009.
- Rule 4 of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 states that the dictionary is part of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 and that a definition applies to each use of the word or expression in those Rules, unless the contrary intention appears.
- Rule 407(h) of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 states that the Roads Corporation, by notice published in the Government Gazette, may declare, for the purposes of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009, a seatbelt to be an approved seatbelt.

3. Commencement

This notice comes into operation on the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

4. Expiry

This notice expires on 26 August 2019.

5. Revocation

The notice published in the Government Gazette No. S 231 on Saturday 30 June 2012 entitled 'Declaration of Approved Seatbelts' is revoked.

6. Definition

In this notice, **relevant Standard** means:

- (i) Australian Standard E 35 Part I – 1970, SEATBELT ASSEMBLIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES; or
- (ii) Australian Standard E 35 Part II – 1970, SEATBELT ASSEMBLIES (INCLUDING RETRACTORS) FOR MOTOR VEHICLES,
(as appropriate) published by Standards Australia;
- (b) Australian Standard AS 2596 – 1983, SEATBELT ASSEMBLIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES published by Standards Australia;
- (c) Second Edition Australian Design Rule 4 for Seatbelts, published by the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development;
- (d) Third Edition Australian Design Rule 4/00 – Seatbelts, published by the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development;

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- (e) United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Regulation 16 – UNIFORM PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF:
 - I. SAFETY-BELTS, RESTRAINT SYSTEMS, CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS AND ISOFIX CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS FOR OCCUPANTS OF POWER-DRIVEN VEHICLES
 - II. VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH SAFETY-BELTS, RESTRAINT SYSTEMS, CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS AND ISOFIX CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS.

7. Declaration of Approved Seatbelts

I, James Holgate, Director Vehicle and Road Use Policy, VicRoads, declare the following seatbelts to be **approved seatbelts** for the purposes of the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 –

- (a) a seatbelt that –
 - (i) complies with the version of a relevant Standard that was in force at the time of manufacture of the seatbelt or any later version of that Standard; and
 - (ii) is marked in accordance with the relevant Standard certifying compliance with that version of a relevant Standard; or
- (b) if fitted to a vehicle that is a **personally imported vehicle** within the meaning of clause 23(1) of Schedule 2 to the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009, complies with clause 23(2)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009.

Note: Words and phrases in this notice have the same meanings as in the **Road Safety Act 1986** and the Regulations under that Act.

Dated 13 May 2015

JAMES HOLGATE
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VicRoads

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