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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Proposed Road Safety (Drivers) Regulations 2019

Notice is given that, in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the proposed Road Safety (Drivers) Regulations 2019 (the proposed regulations).

These Regulations are proposed to replace the existing Road Safety (Drivers) Regulations 2009 which sunset on 26 August 2019 in accordance with section 5 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**.

The proposed Regulations are made under the **Road Safety Act 1986**. Their purpose is to ensure that:

- people who drive motor vehicles on highways are competent to do so
- drivers are aware of, and comply with, safe driving practices and the road laws
- people who are or become unfit to drive are not or are no longer permitted to drive
- drivers can be identified for the purposes of law enforcement and accident investigation.

Part 3 of the **Road Safety Act 1986** establishes the regulatory framework for driver licensing in Victoria. In support of the operation of the legislation, the proposed Regulations are used to:

- establish licence categories (e.g. learner permit, probationary and full licences)
- set eligibility criteria and licence conditions
- prescribe driver licensing and driving responsibilities and obligations
- regulate the renewal, replacement and variation of driver licences and learner permits
- regulate medical fitness-to-drive and specify processes and methods for assessment
- establish the demerit points system
- regulate learner permit and licence sanctions, including demerit points, suspensions and cancellations
- establish compliance requirements relating to approved alcohol interlocks
- setting licence fees to enable the recovery of expenses incurred in administering the licensing system
- specify exemptions, reviews and appeal rights.

The RIS assesses the benefits and costs of the proposed regulations and possible alternatives, concluding that the benefits of the proposed regulations and the outweigh the expected costs.

Copies of the proposed regulations and the RIS can be obtained from <https://getinvolved.transport.vic.gov.au/driverreg2019>

The Department of Transport seeks public comments or submissions on the proposed regulations, proposed rules and the accompanying RIS by no later than 5 pm on 8 July 2019.

Comments or submissions should be submitted through the above website or posted to: Proposed Road Safety (Drivers) Regulations 2019 consultation, Department of Transport, GPO BOX 2392, Level 10, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3001.

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