

About the NHVAS

The National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme (NHVAS) was first offered to industry in 1999 as an alternative compliance scheme. It has since evolved as a formal process for recognising operators who have robust safety and other management systems in place. It is also increasingly being used to show compliance with general duty requirements under road transport law.

Heavy vehicle operators can apply for accreditation under the following NHVAS modules:

- Mass Management
- Maintenance Management.
- Fatigue Management: Basic Fatigue Management (BFM)
- Fatigue Management: Advanced Fatigue Management (AFM)

Previously administered by state and territory road transport authorities, the NHVAS is now managed on a national basis by the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR).

Any NHVAS accreditation that was granted under the state and territories' business rules is preserved for the life of that accreditation period.

It is an offence to fail to display and maintain National Heavy Vehicle Accreditation Scheme labels on heavy vehicles under the Maintenance Management Accreditation scheme and the Mass Management Accreditation scheme.