

ROAD SAFETY TIPS

FOR TOURING DURING THE WINTER

WHEN OVERTAKING



Step 1: Keep your lights on so you can be clearly seen, especially in dusty or overcast conditions.

Step 2: Be patient. Passing a road train can take as long as 60 seconds. Make sure you have maximum visibility and nothing is coming in the other direction.





Step 3: Position your vehicle so you can see any oncoming traffic and so the road train driver can see you.

Step 4: If you want to pass, keep your right hand blinker on to let the truckie know.





Step 5: Use your UHF radio to call through on Channel 40. Identify the truck and the direction and ask if it is clear to pass.

Step 6: When it's clear accelerate at a safe and consistent speed and pass.





Step 7: Be aware of your speed when you've completed your overtaking manoeuvre. Road trains need plenty of room to come to a stop.

Step 8: Be aware of everyone around you and remember it's always good to acknowledge when people do the right things with a wave and a smile.





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WHEN BEING OVERTAKEN

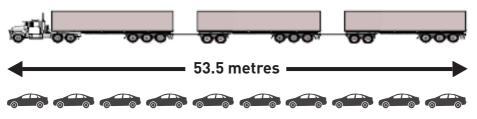
Step 1: If you're travelling close together with other caravans leave at least 100 metres between you and the caravan in front. Truck drivers need room to pull in after their overtaking manoeuvre.

Step 2: If you are about to be overtaken by a road train maintain a consistent speed, don't brake or slowdown, and definitely don't speed up.

Step 3: Road trains can be over 50 metres so let the driver know when he can pull in after his overtaking manoeuvre with a flash of your headlights.

Step 4: It's about everyone doing the right thing on our roads. By understanding what to do, being patient and being courteous we'll all arrive at our destination safely.

Road trains can be up to 53.5 metres long that equates to 10 car lengths!



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