



# AUSTRALIAN LOGISTICS COUNCIL

## NATIONAL LOGISTICS SAFETY CODE

Industry Leading Safety!

Why do we need the National Logistics Safety Code (NLSC)

**All players in Australia's logistics supply chain must take responsibility to ensure safety is given the highest priority.**

Unfortunately, due to complex regulation, it is often confusing for parties to be certain of their responsibilities.

**The NLSC is an industry based Code setting out clearly all participant's responsibilities** when they control or influence the movement of freight in the supply chain, particularly road transport laws and OH&S legislation.

The NLSC has been developed by the Australian Logistics Council (ALC) by the harmonisation of the Retail Logistics Supply Chain Code of Conduct with the Steel Code of Practice. Further industry codes are currently being assessed for inclusion in the NLSC.

### What is the NLSC?

The NLSC is:

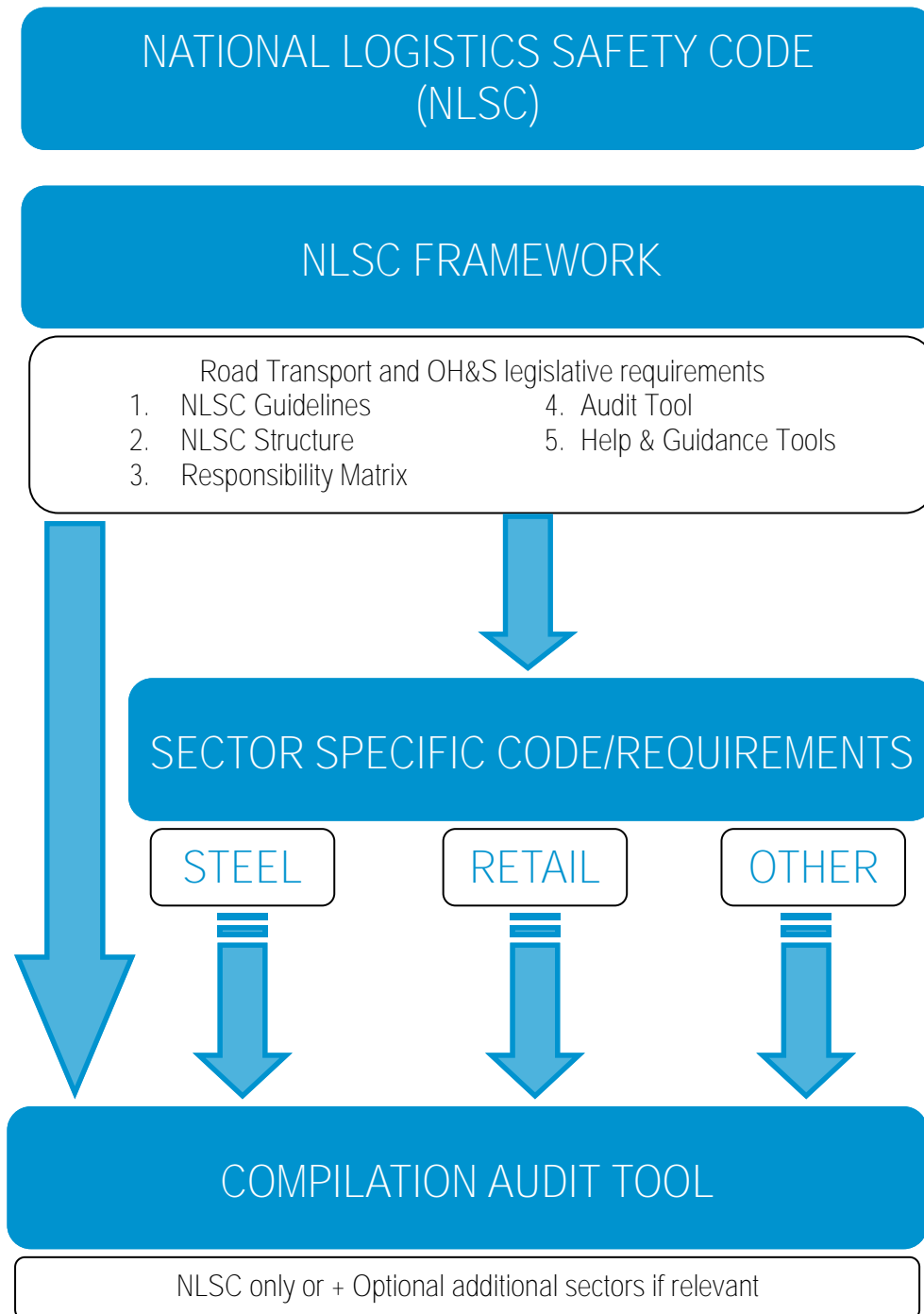
- Single, comprehensive code for T&L
- Flexible and adaptable for the needs of each individual business
- Voluntary code of minimum operational standards that meet the highest level of regulation impacting T&L throughout Australia.
- Industry based and designed to be used as a condition of business
- Independent third party Audited (RABQSA)

### NLSC Elements

The Code applies to regulation and standards applying to the following activities within the supply chain;

- Chain of Responsibility
- Occupational Health & Safety
- Scheduling and transit times
- Time slot management
- Safe loading practices including mass, dimension and load restraint
- Driver fatigue management including driver health and fitness for duty
- Speed compliance
- Vehicle safety





## How does the NLSC work?

The NLSC provides a framework and prescribes minimum levels of safety for all players in the logistics supply chain regarding Road Transport and OH&S legislative requirements.

Specific sectors have specific requirements which the NLSC has the flexibility to cater for. For example, Steel and Retail have sector specific load restraint specifications. Therefore the NLSC identifies which sector specific codes/requirements apply and combine to form a compilation audit tool.

The ALC provides administrative and operational support to ensure the smooth operation of the NLSC.