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New CoR Provisions To Boost Supply Chain Safety

The [Australian Logistics Council](#) (ALC) is encouraging all participants in the freight logistics industry to familiarise themselves with [changes to the Chain of Responsibility](#) (CoR) provisions within the Heavy Vehicle National Law (HVNL), which take effect from today.

“1 October 2018 is a significant date for the freight logistics industry, as CoR changes that have been three years in the making become operative,” said ALC Interim CEO, Lachlan Benson.

“It is imperative that those who operate, load, drive or send and receive goods using a heavy vehicle understand what these changes mean for their business – and proactively take all reasonable steps to ensure compliance with their obligations.”

“The CoR changes that begin today reinforce the fact that safety is the responsibility of all parties in the supply chain. It is very important that industry participants take their safety obligations seriously. Companies cannot contract out their CoR obligations – no matter what their industry sector or part of the supply chain.”

“As an industry leader with a firm commitment to enhanced supply chain safety, ALC has been working to help industry get ready for these expanded CoR provisions.”

“The changes to CoR were a major focus during last month’s [2018 ALC & ATA Supply Chain Safety & Compliance Summit](#) in Melbourne, which offered attendees practical advice on what needed to be done to ensure compliance.”

“Likewise, the Master Code for heavy vehicle safety, jointly developed by ALC and the Australian Trucking Association, will shortly be released.”

“This Master Code will be an invaluable resource for industry participants seeking advice about how to properly identify and manage safety risks.”

“The CoR changes coming into effect today, coupled with practical safety initiatives such as the Master Code, are a clear demonstration of the freight logistics industry’s commitment to enhancing supply chain safety, and creating safer roads for all Australians.”

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