

# National Harmonisation for Temporary Traffic Management

A brief overview and status of the impact on temporary traffic training requirements in QLD.



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## What is the National Harmonisation?

A national project that will harmonise temporary traffic management (TTM) standards, practices, training and company requirements that will affect anyone that works, or employs people that work on or near a road in any state or territory, excluding NSW but including NZ.

## What is the Primary Purpose?

To deliver a consistent best practice approach to TTM nationwide in order to keep practitioners, workers and road users safe.

## Who is involved?

The national peak body and lead authority, Austroads, representing all states and territories in Australia and NZ, are working in close collaboration with TMR as the current lead authority in QLD, as well as other road authorities, industry and the vocational education and training sector in order to develop the requirements of the Project.

## Our Role

Upskills QLD, as a recognised leading industry authority on traffic training in QLD has been involved in and is a major contributor to various working groups that represent the interests of QLD in this matter.

## How is this being Delivered?

The Project consists of 4 Modules:

### Module 1

Development of a comprehensive best practice guide on all TTM processes associated with TTM activities on or near a road.

- ✓ Update of the Australian Standard AS1742.3 – **Completed**
- ✓ Development of National Guides to Temporary Traffic Management Part 1 through to 10 – **Completed**.
- ✓ Categorisation of the entire road network into 3 categories – **Completed**:
  - ✓ Category 1 (most urban streets and lower volume rural roads).
  - ✓ Category 2 (high-volume roads)
  - ✓ Category 3 (expressways = high-volume & high-speed roads)

### Module 2

Development of nationally harmonised TTM practitioner skills and training which was mapped across a three-stage implementation plan.

- ✓ National Training Framework for Temporary Traffic Management – **Completed**
- ✓ RTO Operational Framework – **Completed**
- ✓ Training Requirements – **Mostly completed**
  - ✓ **Completed** for Traffic Control 1&2
  - ✓ **Completed** for Traffic Management Implementation 1,2 &3
  - ✓ **In progress** for Traffic management Designer 1&2

### Module 3

Implementation of a *national registration IT platform* for practitioners and training organisations to:

- ✓ Manage and maintain TTM worker practice – **Already implemented in QLD**
- ✓ Facilitate portability of worker qualifications between jurisdictions – **Already implemented in QLD**
- ✓ Improve management performance of industry practitioners – **Already implemented in QLD**

### Module 4

Implementation of a *national prequalification scheme* for practitioners and training organisations to:

- ✓ Manage and improve company performance related to TTM – **Already implemented in QLD**
- ✓ Improve coordination of companies operating in TTM – **Already implemented in QLD**
- ✓ Facilitate portability of company's operating between jurisdictions – **Already implemented in QLD**

# How will this impact Temporary Traffic Management Training in QLD?

To understand the implications for government and organisations involved in temporary traffic training across QLD, the below outlines the key changes from the current practice to the new guide once implemented.

## Traffic Controller

### Role / Skill set

<p><b>CURRENT - Traffic Control</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>All Roads</b></p>	<p><b>NEW - TC 1</b> RIISS00058 - Traffic Controller - Urban Streets and Low Volume Rural Roads</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Category 1 Roads</b></p>	<p><b>NEW - TC 2</b> RIISS00059 - Traffic Controller - High Volume Roads</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Category 1 and 2 Roads Only</b></p>
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### Key Requirements

<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Driver license</li> <li>✓ Construction White Card and Police Check</li> </ul> <p><b>Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 1 day theory</li> <li>✓ 20 hours of vocational placement</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Driver license</li> <li>✓ Construction White Card and Police Check</li> </ul> <p><b>New Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 2 days theory</li> <li>✓ 20 hours practical on Category 1 Road</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Must hold a TC1;</li> <li>✓ At least 40 hours as TC1</li> </ul> <p><b>New Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 1 day theory</li> <li>✓ 20 hours practical on Category 2 Road</li> </ul>
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## Traffic Management Implementer

### Role / Skill set

<p><b>CURRENT - Traffic Management Implementation</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>All Roads</b></p>	<p><b>NEW - TMI 1</b> RIISS00060 - Traffic Management Implementer - Urban Streets and Low Volume Rural Roads</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Category 1 Roads</b></p>	<p><b>NEW - TMI 2</b> RIISS00061 - Traffic management Implementer - High Volume Rural Roads</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Category 1 and 2 Roads</b></p>	<p><b>NEW - TMI 3</b> RIISS00062 - Traffic Management Implementer for Motorways and Freeways</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Category 1 and 3 Roads</b></p>
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### Key Requirements

<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Construction White Card</li> </ul> <p><b>Training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 3 Site set ups of varying complexity</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Construction White Card</li> </ul> <p><b>New Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 2 days theory</li> <li>✓ 3 different Site set ups on Category 1 Roads</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ must hold a TMI1;</li> <li>✓ One month experience as a TMI-1; and</li> <li>✓ Evidence 12 temporary traffic management set-ups,</li> </ul> <p><b>New Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 1 day theory</li> <li>✓ Three site setups on Category 2 Roads</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prereq:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ must hold a TMI1;</li> <li>✓ Three month experience as a TMI-1; and</li> <li>✓ Evidence 12 temporary traffic management set-ups,</li> </ul> <p><b>New Training:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 1 day theory</li> <li>✓ Three site setups on Category 3 Roads</li> </ul>
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*Note: Excludes update on Traffic Management Designer as still under review*

## How and when will this be implemented in QLD?

Although no final decision has been made yet on the timings of this transition, it is generally agreed that:

- ✓ a fixed date for new entrants will be implemented, and
- ✓ a transitional process for existing workers into the new scheme will need to be provided. It has not been determined how, or over what period of time this is to occur.

## How else will this impact QLD?

Upskills QLD believe there will be implications for cost, time and operations as traffic workers will not be able to work on a Road Category unless they are trained in that category. Upskills QLD believes in some cases costs will significantly escalate, potentially triple, because:

- ✓ State Regulators licensing fees will remain. Austroads will now require a fee for every completed skill.
- ✓ Most traffic workers will need to be trained in more than one category to be utilised effectively and efficiently.
- ✓ There are time and on-the-job prerequisites along with vocational experience required for each category of training before that worker can operate independently.

## The Gold Standard in Traffic Training

Upskills QLD has been training people in traffic management and control all over QLD for more than 12 years from the NSW border, up to Thursday Island and out to western QLD.

Formerly known as Traffic Management People (TMP), in 2022 the founder, industry expert, Brian Abrahamson, sold TMP to focus on expansion of QLD's leading traffic training business with one goal in mind - build the nation's best traffic training company, with a difference.

In an industry where many students only receive the bare minimum of training required, an Upskills trained professional receives complete training in both theory and practical delivered by the industry's most experienced trainers and mentors. This enables them to be fully qualified in the shortest timeframes in the industry, ready to deploy immediately.

There is no doubt an Upskills trained professional will have received the highest quality and safety assured traffic training - the gold standard in the industry.

### Why Upskills QLD are trusted by Queensland's most respected civil construction and traffic management businesses, government authorities and employment agencies.

- ✓ The only RTO (excluding RTO's connected with traffic management organisations), that have an industry expert on staff in the form of a Temporary Traffic Management Designer (TMD), the highest qualification in the industry.
- ✓ Respected industry authority, strongly represented in the various working groups for the national harmonisation for temporary traffic management project.
- ✓ Contracts with 9 local government authorities and utility services that includes Brisbane City Council, and Energy Queensland for both Ergon and Energyx.
- ✓ Preferred supplier status and working relationships with a further 8 local government authorities, including Sunshine Coast Council, Moreton Bay Regional Council, Southern Downs Regional Council - some with relationships extending over 10 years.
- ✓ Have the three highest performing trainers in the industry who have been employed long term by TMP/Upskills QLD, based on Google ratings, industry feedback, state legislator feedback and no negative or nonconformance issues as managed by ASQA, QLD Department of Transport and Main Roads and WorkSafe Queensland.
- ✓ Fully approved RTO by ASQA and all relevant state regulators.
- ✓ The highest rated traffic training organisation in Queensland with a five star Google rating.

### Our Accreditations



### Find Out More

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