



# Information Alert

## PRIVATE SIDING AND INTERFACE COORDINATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE RAIL SAFETY ACT 2008

### INFORMATION SESSIONS – MAY 2009

The *Rail Safety Act 2008* commenced on 1 January 2009 and introduced new requirements for rail infrastructure managers who wish to have a private siding connected with, or have access to, a railway of an accredited person or a siding.

The changes include a requirement that qualifying **private sidings** be registered with the Independent Transport Safety and Reliability Regulator (ITSRR). Rail infrastructure managers of private sidings have until 1 January 2011 to register their private sidings.

Rail infrastructure managers and roads authorities also have a new obligation to seek to enter into **interface agreements** to manage the risks to safety that may arise because of rail or road crossings on public roads. This requirement comes into effect on 1 January 2012.

To assist rail infrastructure managers and roads authorities in understanding their new obligations, ITSRR will conduct one-hour **information sessions** on each topic at nine locations across NSW during **May 2009**. The sessions will be held back-to-back at each venue and will include opportunities for attendees to ask questions.

Information sessions will be held in Sydney, Bathurst, Dubbo, Tamworth, Wagga Wagga, Wollongong and Newcastle. A schedule detailing locations, venues, dates and times is attached.

Bookings are essential so to confirm your attendance at any of the information sessions, contact Kerry Klujin on (02) 8263 7173 or email [kerry.klujin@transportregulator.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kerry.klujin@transportregulator.nsw.gov.au) by **Monday 27 April 2009**.

For more information on the new requirements relating to private sidings and interface agreements, including a template interface agreement, see the Rail Fact Sheets under the Publications tab on ITSRR's website – [www.transportregulator.nsw.gov.au](http://www.transportregulator.nsw.gov.au).

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**Chief Executive**

**Schedule of Information Sessions on Private Siding and Interface Coordination Requirements under the *Rail Safety Act 2008***

**Presentation 1: Private Sidings - Obligations under the Rail Safety Act 2008**

**Presentation 2: Interface Coordination Obligations under the Rail Safety Act 2008**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Times</b>
<b>Sydney</b>	Independent Transport Safety and Reliability Regulator Level 22, 201 Elizabeth Street SYDNEY 2001	1 May	10.00 am Presentation 1  11.30 am Presentation 2
<b>Dubbo</b>	Dubbo RSL Cnr Brisbane and Wingewarra Streets DUBBO 2830	5 May	10.00 am Presentation 1  11.30 am Presentation 2
<b>Bathurst</b>	Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre 105 William Street BATHURST 2795	6 May	10.00 am Presentation 1  11.30 am Presentation 2
<b>Newcastle</b>	Newcastle City Hall 290 King Street NEWCASTLE 2300	11 May	10.00 am Presentation 1  11.30 am Presentation 2
<b>Tamworth</b>	Tamworth Town Hall Fitzroy Street TAMWORTH 2340	14 May	10.00 am Presentation 1  11.30 am Presentation 2
<b>Wagga Wagga</b>	The Lawson Motor Inn 117-121 Tarcutta St WAGGA WAGGA 2650	19 May	<b>10.30 am Presentation 1</b>  <b>12.00 pm Presentation 2</b>
<b>Wollongong</b>	Medina Executive 19 Market Street WOLLONGONG 2650	20 May	<b>11.00 am Presentation 1</b>  <b>12.30 pm Presentation 2</b>