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Interpretation No.1 – Vehicle Standards (Australian Design Rule 63/00 – Trailers Designed for use in Road Trains) 2006 – Clause 63.5

Question: Is it mandatory for each trailer certified to ADR63/00 to have a rear mechanical connection?

Answer: Australian Design Rule 63/00 (ADR 63/00) clause 63.5 does not mandate the fitment of a rear mechanical connection. ADR 63/00 provides several connection options between the drawing vehicle and trailer. However, where fitted, the mechanical connection is required to meet the relevant clause/s of ADR 63/00.