

# **Commercial Goods Vehicle Licence to transport timber logs and woodchips – Q&A Fact sheet**

Commercial goods vehicle owners will require a licence to authorise the transportation of timber logs and woodchips to the Port of Bunbury by road from 1 January 2008.

The transportation of woodchips and timber logs not destined for the Port of Bunbury does not require a licence.

## **What is the new timber licence?**

The changes to the *Transport Coordination Act 1966* require commercial goods vehicle owners to have their vehicle licensed to transport timber logs and woodchips in the South West Shires of Boyup Brook, Nannup, Bridgetown-Greenbushes, Donnybrook-Balingup and Manjimup which are destined for the Port of Bunbury.

Licences will be issued to commercial goods vehicle owners allowing them to haul timber by road transport where rail transport is not a practical option.

## **When does the licence come into effect?**

1 January 2008.

## **Why is the Government introducing it?**

The WA State Government wants to encourage the use of rail for the transportation of timber logs and woodchips to the Port of Bunbury as a way of reducing the number of trucks on South West Highway.

## **Why do I need a Licence?**

The licence will authorise the transportation of timber logs and woodchips to the Port of Bunbury by road. The licence is not required for the movement of woodchips and timber logs not destined for the Port of Bunbury.

## **What does my Licence cover?**

The licence covers the haulage of woodchips and timber logs, which are transported in the South West Shires of Boyup Brook, Nannup, Bridgetown-Greenbushes, Donnybrook-Balingup and Manjimup and carted to the Port of Bunbury.

See map.

## **How much will it cost?**

A nil licence fee will apply.

How do I apply for the licence?

Complete an application form. You can download one from [www.dpi.wa.gov.au/freightlicence](http://www.dpi.wa.gov.au/freightlicence)

Once you have completed the application form, post it to:

**Nic Rowland**  
**Department for Planning and Infrastructure**  
**GPO C102**  
**Perth WA 6839**

**Please note:** Application forms cannot be obtained or submitted at Licensing centres.