

## CIRCULAR 35/05-1-1

## **OPERATION OF THE PARKING BRAKING SYSTEM**

The purpose of this Circular is to remind Identification Plate Approval (IPA) holders of the parking braking requirements of Australian Design Rules (ADRs) 35/04 and 35/05 clause 8.1.1<sup>1</sup>. Compliance to this clause is required where certification is granted based on evidence that the vehicle meets the technical requirements of the alternative standard United Nations (UN) R13 (ADR 35/04 and 35/05 clause 8.1).

Where UN R13 is used to demonstrate compliance, clause 8.1.1 requires that a vehicle equipped to tow a trailer which uses air at positive pressure must have a 'Parking Brake System 35/..' that when applied either:

- 1. is capable of holding the <u>entire combination of the towing vehicle and trailers</u>, on a 12 percent up or down gradient at its rated 'Gross Combination Mass' (UN R13 Annex 4 paragraph 2.3.2); or
- 2. causes the trailer 'Supply Line 35/...' pressure to drop below 35 kPa (ADR 35/04 and 35/05 clause 4.3.5).

It is important to note that UN R13 does not have an equivalent to Option 2 above.

IPA holders demonstrating compliance to Option 1 must ensure that this is the case for the 'Gross Combination Mass' of the vehicle supplied under the IPA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of December 2015 the requirements of this clause are under review in line with Phase II of the National Heavy Vehicle Braking Strategy.