

# Road Transport (General) Exclusion of Road Transport Legislation (Summernats) Declaration 2025

Disallowable instrument DI2025-318

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, s 12 (Power to include or exclude areas in road transport legislation) and s 13 (Power to exclude vehicles, persons or animals from road transport legislation)

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## 1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Road Transport (General) Exclusion of Road Transport Legislation (Summernats) Declaration 2025*.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) This instrument (other than sections 3, 6, and 7) commences on 7 January 2026.
- (2) Sections 3, 6, and 7 commence on 8 January 2026.

## 3 Declaration—Vehicle use

I, as Minister for City and Government Services, declare that the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999*, section 5B (Improper use of motor vehicle) does not apply to a **relevant vehicle** while being used in the:

- (a) **declared drifting area** for any period beginning on a **drifting official** declaring (in whatever manner the drifting official describes) the **drifting course** active for a testing session, media event or ticketed event and ending on a **drifting official** declaring the **drifting course** inactive; and
- (b) **declared power skid area** for any period beginning on a **power skid official** declaring (in whatever manner the power skid official describes) the **power skid course** active for a testing session, media event or ticketed event and ending on a **power skid official** declaring the **power skid course** inactive.

#### 4 Declaration—Vehicle registration and standards

I, as Minister for City and Government Services, declare that the following road transport legislation does not apply to a **relevant vehicle** within the **declared area** of EPIC:

- (a) *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Act 1999:*
  - (i) s 18 (Prohibition on using unregistered registrable vehicles or vehicles with suspended registration)
  - (ii) s 26 (Using certain defective vehicles).
- (b) *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 2000:*
  - (i) s 108 (Emission control systems to be fitted and properly maintained)
  - (ii) s 109 (Light motor vehicles not complying with sch 1)
  - (iii) s 110 (Light trailers not complying with sch 1)
  - (iv) s 111 (Light combinations not complying with sch 1).

#### 5 Declaration—Driver licences

I, as Minister for City and Government Services, declare that the following provision of the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Regulation 2000* applying to high powered vehicle restrictions on a person's driver licence from another jurisdiction does not apply within the **declared area** of EPIC:

- (a) s 60 (Conditional licence holders to comply with conditions)

#### 6 Declaration—Disapplication of parking legislation at Gungahlin Park and Ride

I, as Minister for City and Government Services, declare that the following provision of the *Road Transport (Road Rules) Regulation 2017* does not apply to the Gungahlin Park and Ride, the area highlighted in red within schedule 3 of this instrument:

- (a) s 185 (Stopping in permit zone).

#### 7 Declaration—Disapplication of parking legislation at Spoering Street carpark, Phillip

I, as Minister for City and Government Services, declare that the following provisions of the *Road Transport (Road Rules) Regulation 2017* do not apply to the Spoering Street carpark, the area highlighted in orange within schedule 4 of this instrument:

- (a) s 205 (Parking for longer than indicated)
- (b) s 205A (Parking outside time indicated)
- (c) s 207 (Parking where fee payable)
- (d) s 213C (Metered parking – parking fee)
- (e) s 213D (Metered parking – maximum length of stay)
- (f) s 213K (Ticket parking – display of ticket)

(g) s 213M (Ticket parking – maximum length of stay).

## 8 Declaration – Motor accident injuries insurance

I, as Minister of Finance, declare that the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019* does not apply to:

- (a) a **designated vehicle**; or
  - (b) a motor vehicle involved in a motor accident with a **designated vehicle**;
- while the **designated vehicle** is within the **declared area** of EPIC.

## 9 Definitions

In this instrument:

**declared area**, of EPIC, means the part of EPIC enclosed by the fence outlined in schedule 1.

**declared drifting area**, of EPIC, means the part of EPIC highlighted in red in schedule 2.

**declared power skid area**, of EPIC, means the part of EPIC highlighted in light blue in schedule 2.

**designated vehicle** means any of the following vehicles:

- (a) a relevant vehicle;
- (b) an unidentified motor vehicle; or
- (c) an uninsured motor vehicle.

*Note* For the application of this section to trailers, see the definitions of the relevant terms.

**drifting course** means a road or road related area used as a course designed and approved under the ‘Motorsport Australia Drifting Standing Regulations’.

**drifting official** means a person who holds an official’s licence from Motorsport Australia that authorises the official to declare the drifting course active or inactive.

**entrant motor vehicle** means a motor vehicle or trailer that is entered in the event.

**EPIC** means Exhibition Park in Canberra.

**event** means *Summernats 2026 Car Festival* held at EPIC on 7 January 2026 to 11 January 2026 (inclusive).

**power skid course** means a road or road related area used as a course for participants to use designated vehicles not for their intended use.

**power skid official** means an area manager for the power skid course.

**promotional vehicle** means a motor vehicle or trailer that is categorised by Summernats Pty Ltd, ABN 48 139 042 961, as a promotional vehicle for the event.

***relevant vehicle*** means—

- (a) an entrant motor vehicle; or
- (b) a promotional vehicle.

*Note* For the application of this section to trailers, see the definitions of the relevant terms.

***unidentified motor vehicle***—see the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019*, s 327.

***uninsured motor vehicle***—see the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019*, s 325.

## **10 Expiry**

- (1) This instrument (other than section 3) expires at 11:59pm on 11 January 2026.
- (2) Section 3 expires at 6:00pm on 11 January 2026.

Tara Cheyne MLA  
Minister for City and Government Services  
30 November 2025

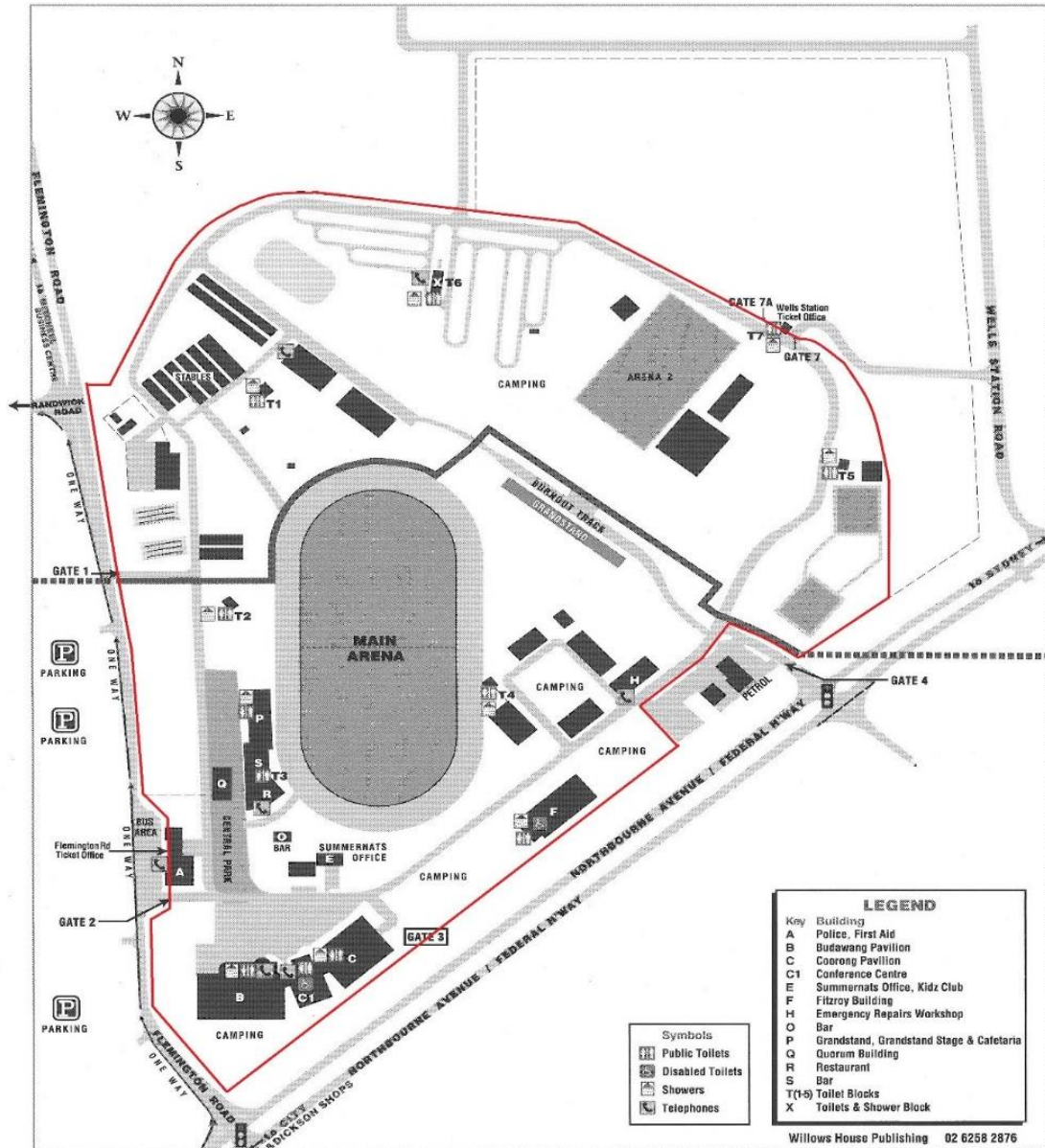
Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA  
Minister for Finance  
11 December 2025

# Schedule 1

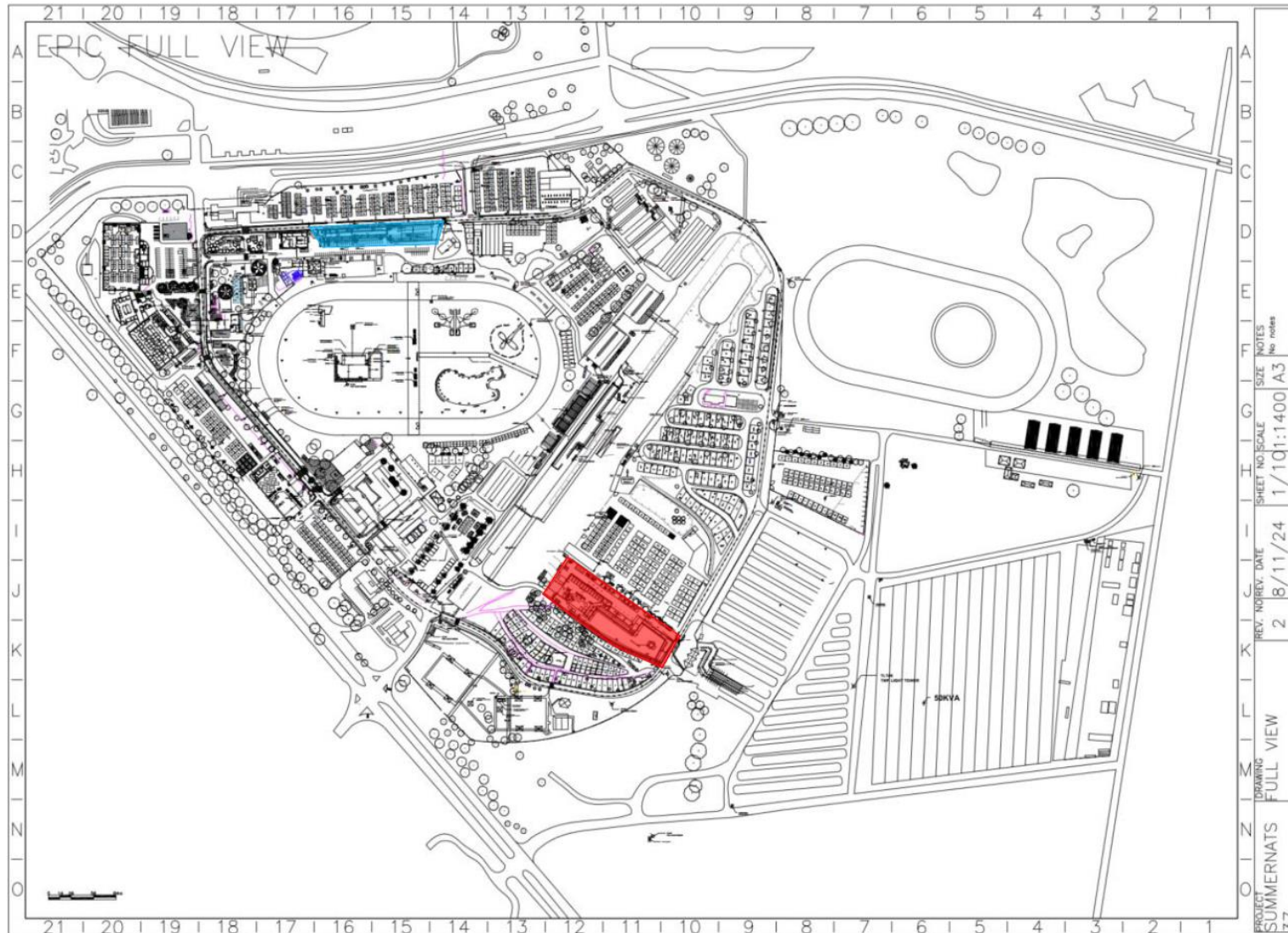
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**Schedule 2**  
(Sec s 9)





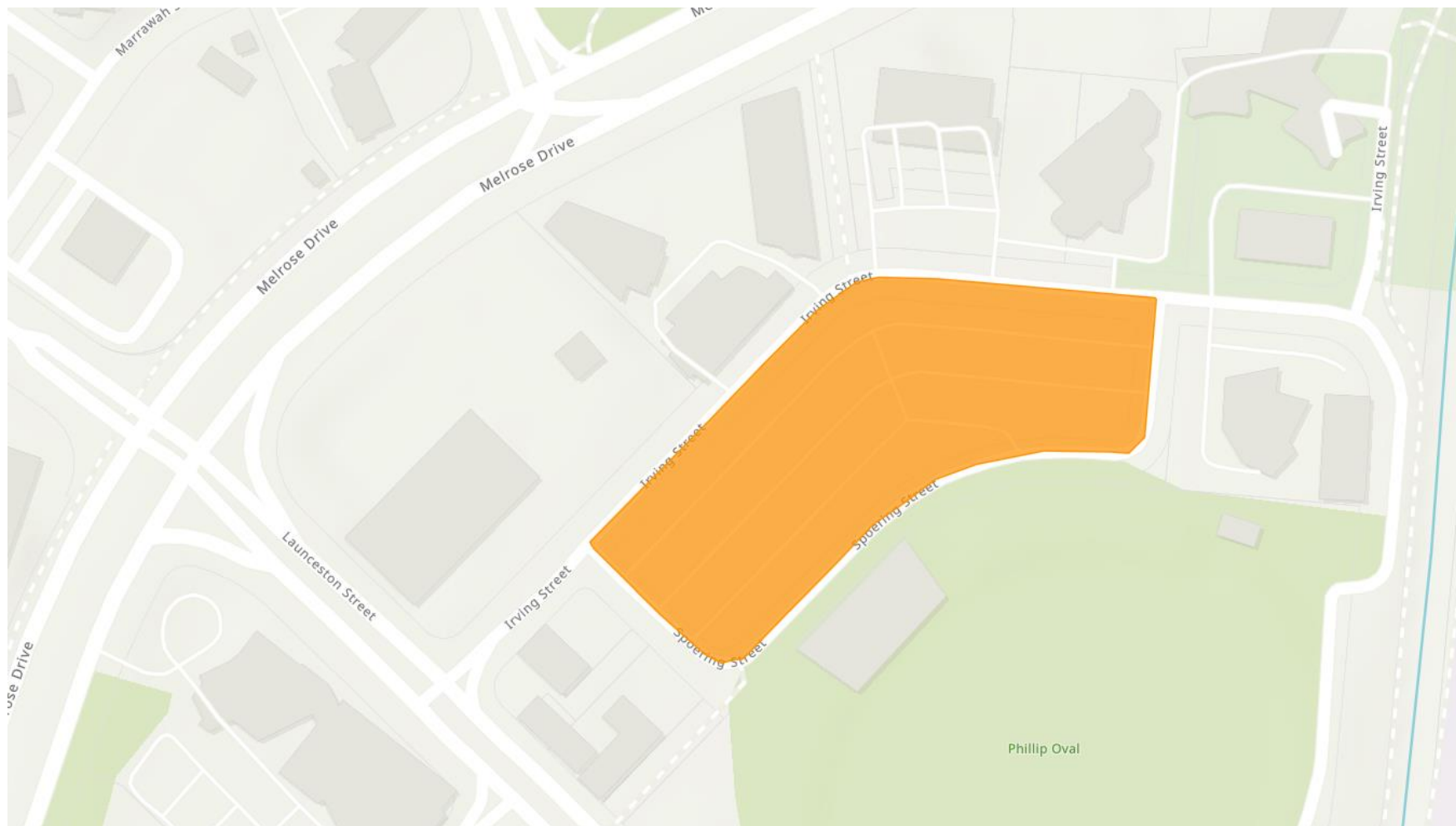
## Schedule 3

(Sec s 6)



## Schedule 4

(See s 7)



Note: For avoidance of doubt, the highlighted area includes the parallel parking spots in the anti-clockwise direction along Irving Street (only between the two intersections of Spoering Street) and Spoering Street, but does not include the parallel parking spots in the clockwise direction.