

Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (General) (Vehicle Registration) Exemption 2007 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2007–50

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, section 13 (Power to exclude vehicles, persons or animals from the road transport legislation)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999*, section 13, the Minister has the power to exclude vehicles, persons or animals from the road transport legislation or a part of the road transport legislation.

Section 32C(1) of the *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 2000* provides that the Road Transport must refuse to approve an application for registration of a vehicle as a hire car (other than a restricted hire car) if the wheelbase of the vehicle is less than 2,800mm.

This exemption provides that hybrid cars, which are cars using a conventional internal combustion engine supplemented by electric power, with a wheelbase of less than 2,800mm may be operated as a hire car. The following five hybrid cars are specified as being exempt.

1. Lexus RX400h
2. Lexus GS450h
3. Toyota Prius
4. Honda Civic
5. Honda Insight

The exemption remains in force until it is amended or repealed.