

Australian Capital Territory

# Road Transport (General) (Australian Road Rules – Nightlink Taxis) Exemption 2009 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2009—7

made under the

**Road Transport (General) Act 1999, s13 (Power to exclude vehicles, persons or animals from road transport legislation)**

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Subsection 13(1) of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* (the Act) empowers the Minister to declare that the road transport legislation does not apply to a vehicle, person or animal in a place or circumstance stated in the declaration.

Section 6 of the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulation 2000* incorporates the Australian Road Rules into ACT law.

ARR 132 (2) requires a driver to drive to the left of the dividing line, and ARR 208 (2) (a) relates to the parking of vehicles and the requirement to position the vehicle to face in the direction of travel of vehicles in the marked lane.

The purpose of this instrument is to exempt vehicles operating as Nightlink taxis only, between the hours of 12 midnight and 6am on Friday and Saturday nights or on any other night in the case of a special event, approved by the Road Transport Authority.

The exemption from ARR 132 (2) and 208 (2) (a) will permit Nightlink vehicles to enter East Row from London Circuit and cross the continuous double lines, moving the vehicle onto the other side of the road to travel for a short distance down the that lane to access the staging area and to park the vehicle in a position which is in the opposite direction of travel of vehicles in the marked lane.