OPERATOR/MANAGER/SCHEDULER RESPONSIBILITIES
As an operator, manager, or scheduler of a business involved in road transport, your responsibilities also include ensuring that:

- rosters and schedules do not require drivers to exceed driving hours regulations or speed limits
- you keep records of your drivers’ activities, including work and rest times
- you take all reasonable steps to ensure drivers do not work while impaired by fatigue or drive in breach of their work or rest options
- vehicles are regularly maintained, and if speed limiters are fitted they are functioning properly
- vehicles are not loaded in a way which exceeds mass or dimension limits
- drivers moving freight containers have a valid Container Weight Declaration
- loads are appropriately restrained with appropriate restraint equipment (see the Load restraint guide for more information).

CONSIGNOR/CONSIGNEE RESPONSIBILITIES
As consignor or consignee your responsibilities include ensuring that:

- loads do not exceed vehicle mass or dimension limits
- goods carried on your behalf are able to be appropriately secured
- operators carrying freight containers have a valid Container Weight Declaration
- your delivery requirements do not require or encourage drivers to:
  - exceed the speed limits
  - exceed regulated driving hours
  - fail to meet the minimum rest requirements
  - drive while impaired by fatigue.

LOADING MANAGER/LOADER/PACKER RESPONSIBILITIES
Loading managers, loaders and packers must ensure that loading a fatigue-regulated heavy vehicle will not cause or contribute to the driver driving while impaired by fatigue or in contravention of road transport laws.

Loading manager responsibilities include:
- working with other off-road parties to make reasonable arrangements to manage loading/unloading time slots
- ensuring vehicles are loaded/unloaded as quickly and efficiently as possible
- putting systems in place for unexpected jobs – for example where there have been unexpected road delays.

Loader responsibilities include ensuring a vehicle’s load:
- does not exceed vehicle mass or dimension limits
- does not cause the vehicle to exceed mass limits
- is placed in a way so it does not become unstable, move or fall off the vehicle.
- Unreliable weight information makes it difficult for drivers to comply with the law. Packer responsibilities include ensuring:
  - documentation about the vehicle’s load is not false or misleading
  - any goods packed in a freight container do not cause the container’s gross weight or safety approval rating to be exceeded