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## **ARTIO NSW 2018-19 Subscriptions**

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Members and affiliates should have received their 2018-19 subscriptions in the last two weeks. Thank you to all who have already paid in advance.

On behalf of the ARTIO NSW Committee thanks again for your support in 2017-18. The Committee also takes this opportunity to express thanks in advance to Members who renew their 2018-19 subscriptions.

ARTIO NSW looks forward to being of service in 2018-19.

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## **ARTIO NSW Advocates Common Claims Management Process for CTP, Workers Compensation**

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ARTIO NSW's submission to the NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on Law and Justice has advocated substantial administrative reform to CTP and workers compensation insurance claims.

In its submission, ARTIO NSW says it should be possible to implement system improvements achieved through a standardised claims assessment process which should facilitate earlier resolution of disputes and reduced recourse to avenues of appeal while ensuring appropriate rights and obligations of parties to seek redress through dispute resolution are retained.

ARTIO NSW's submission calls for the development of a triage process applicable to both workers compensation and CTP claims so that from the outset all stakeholders can understand what can be expected to be the appropriate pathway to resolve the dispute.

The submission also says that a standardised process should encourage early conciliation or mediation, enable prompt resolution of small and/or less complex claims, accommodate the appropriate management of more complex claims, encourage parties to identify areas of dispute as quickly and encourage the prompt and efficient exchange of information relevant to areas of dispute. and documentation relevant to those matters.

The ARTIO NSW submission also says:

- A standardised claims assessment process can be expected to simplify administration where roles and functions of existing bodies dealing with CTP and workers compensation insurance can be integrated.
- A standardised medical assessment process should reduce the likelihood of inconsistent outcomes reflect the latest science as understood and accepted as being valid by the medical profession and provide an opportunity to appeal a decision.
- This should be underpinned by an assurance that basic legal principles and processes such as access to justice and efficient administration are available.

Such a framework should be simpler to administer and to navigate, lead to reduced legal and medical assessment costs, and instill in all stakeholders a greater level of confidence and integrity in the dispute resolution process.

ARTIO NSW says that beneficiaries can be expected to include those who are injured as well as employers, especially road transport operators who have a significant stake in both schemes.

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## **SafeWork NSW Announces Further Fork Lift Safety Blitzes**

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***Adapted from article, OHS Alert, 1 June, 2018***

SafeWork NSW announced further forklift safety blitzes after issuing 90 notices in a recent week-long campaign.

This campaign was prompted by more than 1,300 forklift injuries and three fatalities in NSW in the two years to July 2016, and four major forklift-related WHS prosecutions in 2017.

The most common breaches identified in blitzes to date include faulty and unsafe forklifts, drivers not wearing seatbelts and poor traffic management.

SafeWork NSW acting executive director Tony Williams said "I'm seriously concerned by the industry's lack of compliance with forklift safety, so I've directed our inspectors to come down hard on businesses that aren't following the rules".

"Forklift incidents are largely preventable, and I'm committed to ensuring worker safety is front of mind for everyone on worksites," Mr Williams said.

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## **New Fatigue Units of Competency to Apply from 1 July**

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The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator has advised that from 1 July, new fatigue units of competency will come into effect.

The new fatigue units of competency provide drivers, schedulers, supervisors and managers with information critical to effectively manage the risk of fatigue in road transport operations.

The new fatigue units are:

- [TLIF0005 - Apply a fatigue risk management system](#) (replaces unit TLIF2010).
- [TLIF0006 - Administer a fatigue risk management system](#) (replaces unit TLIF3063)
- [TLIF0007 - Manage a fatigue risk management system](#) (optional).

For a comparison between the old and new fatigue units, please see:

- [Comparing TLIF2010 with TLIF0005 \(PDF, 139KB\)](#), [www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0747-comparing-tlif2010-with-tlif0005.pdf](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0747-comparing-tlif2010-with-tlif0005.pdf)
- [Comparing TLIF3063 with TLIF0006 \(PDF, 157KB\)](#), [www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0748-comparing-tlif3603-with-tlif0006.pdf](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0748-comparing-tlif3603-with-tlif0006.pdf).

Further information is available from [www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0749-fatigue-units-of-competency-rto-guide.pdf](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201712-0749-fatigue-units-of-competency-rto-guide.pdf).

The NHVR will continue to recognise qualifications in TLIF2010 and TLIF3063 for NHVAS purposes if they have a completion date prior to 1 July 2018.

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## Mass Limits to Increase on Twin Steer Tri-Axle Combinations from 1 July

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The NHVR has announced a national increase in mass limits under the Heavy Vehicle National Law for twin steer tri-axle semi-trailer combinations from 1 July.

NHVR CEO, Sal Petrocitto, said the changes will provide nationally consistent mass limits for this vehicle class.

Mr Petrocitto said that mass limits for twin steer tri-axle combinations will increase from 42.5 tonnes to 46.5 tonnes providing more flexibility for operators.

Further information is available from [www.nhvr.gov.au/publications](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/publications).

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## NHVR Penalties and Fees Update

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The NHVR has announced that all penalties will increase by the CPI from 1 July and that access charges will increase from \$72 to \$73.

The NHVR has also announced that an access fee for Higher Mass Limit permit applications will be introduced from 1 July.

Further information on changes to penalties is available from [www.nhvr.gov.au/penalties](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/penalties). Further information on changes to fees is available from [www.nhvr.gov.au/fees](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/fees).

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## NHVR Releases Electronic Work Diary Guidelines

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The NHVR has released a series of EWD Guidelines for transport operators, record keepers, drivers and technology providers.

NHVR Productivity and Safety Executive Director Geoff Casey said the guidelines would assist those who use EWDs as a voluntary alternative to the written work diary.

The guidelines outline the roles that each person plays in operating EWDs, specific requirements for each role and where to get help.

Mr Casey said the guidelines will assist industry and technology providers to begin preparations for introducing EWDs into their businesses.

He said transport operators and technology providers who intend to develop an EWD for approval, are invited to register with the NHVR by lodging a Notice of Intent and request an EWD Application Toolkit.

The NHVR advises that its route planner tool operates in the same way as Google Maps or any other navigational applications. It will provide the shortest path from origin to destination. It will not automatically map to specific heavy vehicle and its preapproved or gazetted networks.

The EWD Guidelines can be accessed from [www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201806-0861-ewd-guideline-for-transport-operators.pdf](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/files/201806-0861-ewd-guideline-for-transport-operators.pdf).

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## **New Dangerous Goods Code to Apply from 1 July**

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A new version of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail will take effect on 1 July 2018 and be compulsory 12 months later.

State and territory transport ministers approved the document and agreed to amend their local laws accordingly, according to National Transport Commission CEO, Paul Retter.

Edition 7.6 of the Code reduces labelling and marking requirements for operators transporting low-risk dangerous goods in limited quantities, like household cleaning products, perfumes and cosmetics, Mr Retter said.

Other changes from Edition 7.5 include exempting authorised mobile processing units that manufacture explosives at mine sites from the Code, because of duplicative requirements under other laws.

Mr Retter said the changes more closely align the Code with the United Nations' *Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations*, which are updated every two years.

A copy of Edition 7.6 of the Code is available from [www.ntc.gov.au/current-projects/australian-dangerous-goods-code-maintenance](http://www.ntc.gov.au/current-projects/australian-dangerous-goods-code-maintenance).

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## **New Australian Design Rules to Mandate Electronic Stability Control**

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***Adapted from media release, Hon Paul Fletcher, Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities, 5 June, 2018***

The Federal Government has introduced new Australian Design Rules mandating electronic stability control (ESC) advanced braking systems for new heavy vehicle trailers from July next year, and for selected new trucks and buses from November 2020.

Mr Fletcher said that about 20 per cent of the 200-plus deaths resulting from truck and bus crashes on Australian roads every year can be linked to rollovers or loss of control.

Fitting ESC will prevent many of these kinds of crashes, according to Mr Fletcher.

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## **Federal Government Announces Crackdown on Illegal Phoenixing Activity**

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***Adapted from advice, National Tax & Accountants Association Ltd***

The Federal Government has announced it will reform corporations and tax laws and provide relevant regulators with additional tools to assist them to deter and disrupt illegal phoenix activity. Illegal phoenix activity is when a new company is created to continue the business of a company that has been deliberately liquidated to avoid paying its debts, including taxes, creditors and employee entitlements.

The package includes reforms to:

- Extend the Director Penalty Regime to GST, luxury car tax and wine equalisation tax, making directors personally liable for the company's debts;

- Expand the ATO's power to retain refunds where there are outstanding tax lodgements;
- Introduce new phoenix offences to target those who conduct or facilitate illegal phoenixing;
- Prevent directors improperly backdating resignations to avoid liability or prosecution;
- Limit the ability of directors to resign when this would leave the company with no directors;
- Restrict the ability of related creditors to vote on the appointment, removal or replacement of an external administrator.

Further information is available from [www.ato.gov.au/General/The-fight-against-tax-crime/Our-focus/Illegal-phoenix-activity](http://www.ato.gov.au/General/The-fight-against-tax-crime/Our-focus/Illegal-phoenix-activity).

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## **Heavy Fines Meted Out to Asbestos Dumper Sends Warning to Duty Holders**

***Adapted from media release, Hon Gabrielle Upton, Minister for the Environment, the Minister for Local Government, and the Minister for Heritage 1 June, 2018***

The jailing of serial asbestos-dumper Dib Hanna has "served as an important warning to those thinking of breaking the law" when disposing of asbestos-contaminated materials, according to NSW Environment Minister, Gabrielle Upton.

Ms Upton said this was the first time the Land and Environment Court had been asked to consider jailing a repeat waste offender under anti-dumping legislation introduced by the NSW Government in 2014.

The Environment Protection Authority charged Hanna with eight offences against section 144AB ("Repeat waste offenders") of the State *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* after he delivered, or caused to be delivered, soil heavily contaminated with asbestos, plastic and other waste to four private properties that ordered clean top soil from him, between November 2015 and January 2016.

He pleaded guilty to five offences, with the EPA discontinuing the remaining proceedings on the condition that he agree to the Land and Environment Court considering them in sentencing.

Chief Justice Brian Preston found Hanna had unlawfully transported and dumped building waste on numerous occasions in the last 10 years

Hanna was sentenced to three years' jail with a non-parole period of two years and three months, and ordered to clean up the dumped waste, pay the EPA's costs and advertise his offences in newspapers.

"Illegal dumping, especially of asbestos waste, is a serious environmental crime and NSW has tough laws to prevent it... Any behaviour that flagrantly puts the health of the community and the environment at risk will not be tolerated," Ms Upton said.

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## **National Inquiry Announced into Sexual Harassment**

***Adapted from media release, Australian Human Rights Commission, 20 June, 2018***

The Sex Discrimination Commissioner Kate Jenkins has announced a national inquiry into sexual harassment in Australian workplaces.

Commissioner Jenkins said the global conversation about sexual harassment and the #MeToo movement has exposed the true prevalence of the problem and the harm it causes to individuals, workplaces and society.

"The National Inquiry will involve an in-depth examination of sexual harassment in the workplace, nation-wide consultation and extensive research," Commissioner Jenkins said.

"We will examine the current Australian legal framework on sexual harassment, including a review of complaints made to state and territory anti-discrimination agencies.

Commissioner Jenkins said there is an appetite for change and a growing realisation that sexual harassment is not inevitable. It is unacceptable and it is preventable.

"We need to continue working to create a society where this kind of conduct is unthinkable, and where sexual harassment at work is not something people simply have to put up with. I believe this national inquiry is a huge step in the right direction."

Further information is available from [www.humanrights.gov.au/news/stories/world-first-national-inquiry-workplace-sexual-harassment](http://www.humanrights.gov.au/news/stories/world-first-national-inquiry-workplace-sexual-harassment).

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## **NHVR Changes to Vehicle Standards**

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The NHVR has also provided a summary of some minor changes to the Vehicle Standards, including warning sign requirements for long vehicles and road trains, rear marking plate requirements, condensate drain valve requirements and number plate markings for hydrogen and electric powered vehicles.

The changes are available in *VSG 2 - Changes to heavy vehicle safety standards*, at [www.nhvr.gov.au/vsg](http://www.nhvr.gov.au/vsg).

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## **Transport Certification Australia Working on Interoperability of Fatigue Monitoring Devices**

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*Adapted from media release, Transport Certification Australia, 31 May 2018*

Transport Certification Australia (TCA) has announced that it is leading work to facilitate the interoperability of fatigue monitoring devices and telematics In-Vehicle Units (IVUs).

Fatigue monitoring devices include systems and services which detect driver drowsiness, are being adopted across the heavy vehicle industry to proactively manage driver fatigue.

According to TCA Acting CEO, Paul Corkhill, TCA is working to provide fatigue monitoring device interoperability through the National Telematics Framework which supports the availability of telematics applications with different levels of assurance.

Mr Corkhill said TCA will work with stakeholders to progress this work, including providers of telematics devices and services, providers of fatigue monitoring devices, road and transport agencies, regulators and industry associations to achieve interoperability between fatigue monitoring devices and telematics IVUs.

He said this can be achieved by referencing common components of the National Telematics Framework, including the Telematics Data Dictionary, the Telematics Data Exchange and the common business rules of the Framework.

This initiative complements the NTC's Heavy Vehicle Driver Fatigue research project, which is being progressed in conjunction with the Alertness Cooperative Research Centre (CRC).

"This is an important, strategic initiative to ensure an open, interoperable marketplace of devices, which minimises the barriers to the widespread adoption of fatigue monitoring devices," Mr Corkhill said.

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## **Ministers Agree on Measures to Improve Take-up of Performance Based Standards Vehicles**

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*Adapted from media release, National Transport Commission, 5 June 2018*

Transport ministers have approved recommendations from the NTC to reform the Performance-Based Standards scheme to encourage greater investment by industry in PBS vehicles.

A review by the NTC found access barriers led to reluctance by the industry to participate in the PBS Scheme.

Amongst the reforms proposed by the NTC and agreed to by Ministers was to allow as of right access for PBS certified vehicles to operate on PBS declared road networks.

Other recommendations agreed to by ministers include:

- Development by Austroads of nationally consistent guidelines for road managers to assess infrastructure, including pavement and bridges.
- Asking the NHVR to:
  - Review and revise PBS standards, which allow participation by operators in the PBS scheme, to ensure they reflect the latest in vehicle technology and design and lead to improved safety

- performance of the PBS fleet. (Current standards do not take into account developments such as anti-lock braking systems and roll over protection.)
- Lead to the development of further promotion of PBS.

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## **Construction Alert: O’Riordan St Botany**

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Roads and Maritime Services has advised that major construction work will commence to widen O’Riordan St to three lanes in each direction between Bourke Rd and Robey St.

On 1 July, preparations for major work will commence. Temporary traffic barriers will be installed O’Riordan St, King St, Robey St and Baxter Rd. Some adjustments to line marking and traffic signals which will also be made and will be in place throughout construction which is planned to take two years. Electronic message signs will be in place to advise of any traffic changes.

Two site compounds will be established at: 166 O’Riordan St and 200 O’Riordan St.

Normal construction hours for the project will be from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm on Saturday, excluding public holidays. Night work hours will be from 9pm to 5am, Sunday to Friday.

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## **Access Restrictions: Swan Hill Bridge**

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RMS has advised that access restrictions will apply to some heavy vehicle configurations during Swan Hill Bridge maintenance work, from August 2018

The heavy vehicle restrictions are expected to start end of August 2018 and are as follows:

- Bridge Gross Limit 42.5 tonnes.
- Single Axle Limit 6.5 tonnes.
- Tandem Axle Limit 16.5 tonnes.
- Tri -Axle Limit 20 tonnes.
- B-Doubles excluded.

RMS expects these restrictions to be in place until the end of October.

RMS also advises that to ensure the safety of all road users and workers monitoring of the bridge’s load capacity will occur using sensors and cameras on the bridge.

RMS also advises that RMS and VicRoads’ heavy vehicle inspectors will also have an increased presence in the area to monitor heavy vehicle compliance.

The bridge will be closed between 11pm and 6am, Mondays to Thursdays with detours in place via Nyah Bridge on Speewa Rd. Access to Nyah Bridge is limited to vehicles up to 4.3 metres high.

Signage will remind transport operators of the upcoming restrictions to heavy vehicles.

Online maps will be updated to show the changes to approved vehicle routes at [www.rms.nsw.gov.au/business-industry/heavy-vehicles/maps/restricted-access-vehicles-map/map/index.html](http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/business-industry/heavy-vehicles/maps/restricted-access-vehicles-map/map/index.html).

ARTIO NSW intends to provide updates about these restrictions to Members.

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## **Infrastructure Update**

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Significant infrastructure milestones achieved since 29 May include:

- Completion of duplication of the Tourle St bridge, Mayfield.
- Completion of rail freight bridge over General Holmes Dr, Botany.
- Completion of improvements to the intersections of:
  - Luxford Rd and Rooty Hill Rd North, Oakhurst.

- Victoria Rd and Bowden St, Ryde.
- Introduction of extended clearways are now operational in both directions on the following routes:
  - From 25 June 2018; King Georges Rd from Stoney Creek Rd to Connells Point Rd (both directions):
    - 6am to 7pm on weekdays.
    - 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays
  - From 25 June 2018; King Georges Rd from Connells Point Rd to Princes Hwy (both directions): 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays
    - Alternate business timed parking will also be operational from 25 June 2018 at Connells Point Rd shops and Blakesley Rd shops.

## Road Works Update

The following road works may impact your operations:

Suburb/Town	Road	Date/s	Work Times
Ashfield	Frederick St at John St and Henry St intersections	14/5-4/9/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri 10am-3.30pm Mon-Fri (6 shifts only)
Bella Vista	Old Windsor Rd	21/5-29/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat 8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Botany	Botany Rd at Wentworth Ave intersection. Botany La to be 2-way for 8 weeks from 15/4 – no access to Wentworth Ave.	25/3-29/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat 9pm-5am Sun-Thu
	Foreshore Rd from General Holmes Dr to Hale St	19/4-20/7/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
	Cnr Botany Rd and Lord St	30/5-2/8/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Bradbury	Appin Rd, between Woodland Rd and St Johns Rd, southbound.	14/5-6/8/18	9am-3pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Brooklyn-Mooney Mooney	Old Pacific Highway, Peats Ferry Bridge	18/6-14/9/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 7am-3pm Sat
Campbelltown	Narellan Rd and Appin Rd	14/6-3/9/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 7am-1pm Sat
Caringbah	Cnr Kingsway and Gannons Rd	14/5-30/8/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Cowan	Pacific Hwy, from 300m south of the Pacific Motorway underpass to 350m south of Glendale Rd.	18/6-17/8/2018	7am-5pm Mon-Fri
Cowan	Pacific Motorway from about 700m south of the Pacific Hwy overpass for about two km north	17/6-28/9/2018	8pm-5am Sun-Sat
Eastern Creek	Intersection Great Western Hwy, Doonside Rd and Brabham Dr	late June-21/12/208	8pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-6pm Sat
Greenacre	Cnr Boronia Rd and Hume Hwy	3/6-14/7/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Greystanes	Cnr Cumberland Hwy and Merrylands Rd	Till mid 2019	8pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Homebush-Haberfield	Various locations on Parramatta Rd. Includes lane closures and road closures at some intersections.	Till early 2019	
Kensington	Southern Cross Drive from Lenthall St to Trevilyan Ave	8/2-29/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Liverpool	Cnr Hume Hwy, Copeland St, Hoxton Park Rd and Macquarie St and cnr Hume Hwy and Rose St	25/6-31/8/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Mascot	Gardeners Rd from Kent Rd to O'Riordan St. Gardeners Rd, eastbound traffic reduced to one lane from Kent Rd to O'Riordan St. One left hand turning lane from Gardeners Rd onto Bourke Rd eastbound will remain open. Right hand turn from Gardeners Rd westbound onto Bourke Rd removed. Drivers can turn right at O'Riordan St to access Bourke Rd. Access to all nearby businesses will be maintained during the works.	Till early 2020	

Mascot/Botany – Airport East project	Botany Rd, Mill Pond Dr, Wentworth Ave, Hardie St, Beresford St, General Holmes Dr and Joyce Dr	Ongoing	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat 9am-5pm 5 nights/week 1pm-6pm Sat – new rail bridge site near Botany Rd only
Mays Hill to Lapstone	M4 Motorway from Pitt St, Mays Hill and Russell St, Lapstone.	2/7 to 28/9	6pm-7am Sun-Fri. 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Narrabeen	Deep Ck Bridge, Wakehurst Parkway, from Caley Trail to Elanora Rd.	28/5-26/10/18	7am-5pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Penrith-St Marys	M4 Mwy from Mulgoa Rd to Mamre Rd	23/5-1/8/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat 6pm-7am Sun-Fri
Prospect	Cnr Great Western Hwy and Blacktown Rd	10/6-30/11/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 7am-1pm Sat
Revesby Heights	Henry Lawson Dr over Little Salt Pan Creek	30/1-31/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
St Mary's	Mamre Rd into Saddington St	7/5-27/7/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri. 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Waririmoo	Great Western Hwy from Greens Rd to Wilson Way	12/6-24/7/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Zetland-Botany	Southern Cross Dr from Link Rd to Botany Rd	6/6-26/10/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri. 7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat

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## TWUSuper Employer News, June 2018

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### Super Guarantee payment due 28 July

Super Guarantee payments for the quarter ended 30 June should be paid by 28 July 2018 to avoid a possible late payment charge imposed by the ATO. If you make your payments via a clearing house, allow up to 10 days for the contributions to be received by the Fund.

Employer Access and SCH Online users can login to [twusuper.com.au/ea](http://twusuper.com.au/ea) to arrange payment. If you need help, call TWUSUPER on **1800 241 877** between 8am and 8pm (AEST/AEDT) weekdays.

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### New super clearing house coming

TWUSUPER is pleased to announce QuickSuper\* as our new clearing house. QuickSuper provides a secure and streamlined way to manage all employee super payments – no matter which super fund they belong to. QuickSuper is scheduled to be up and running soon – we'll keep you posted (in the meantime, you can continue to use SCH Online).

\*The Clearing House is QuickSuper. QuickSuper Online is a financial product operated by Westpac Banking Corporation ABN 33 007 457 141 ("Westpac"). The Trustee is not responsible for and does not accept liability for the products and services of QuickSuper. You should use your own judgment before deciding to use QuickSuper.

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### Do you have 20 or more employees?

Single Touch Payroll is a new Government reporting requirement, where the following payments must be reported to the ATO from your payroll solution at the same time employees are paid:

- salaries and wages
- PAYG withholding
- superannuation.

If you employ 20 or more people, Single Touch Payroll is mandatory from 1 July 2018.

To check if you're on top of the changes, go to [twusuper.com.au/stp](http://twusuper.com.au/stp) or call us on **1800 241 877**.

## Economic and Industry Indicators

Indicator/Source <sup>1</sup>	As at	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Annual % Variation
GDP latest quarter (ABS)	Mar Qtr 2018	\$m	436,388	2.8
CPI (ABS)	Mar Qtr 2018	Per cent		1.9
Cash rate (RBA)	Current	Per cent	1.5	
Estimated residential population (ABS)	29 June 2018	Million	24,959	1.9
Retail turnover (ABS)	Apr 2018	\$m	26,541	2.6
Actual new capital expenditure (ABS)	Mar Qtr 2018	\$m	29,873	4.1
Inventories held by private business (ABS)	Mar 2018	\$m	156,868	0.2
Dwelling unit approvals (ABS)	Arp 2018	Number	19,038	5.7
Manufacturers Income (ABS)	Mar 2018	\$m	83,550	3.7
TEUs Port Botany (NSW Ports)	10 months ending Apr 2018	Number	2,188,893	8.3
Employed persons (ABS)	May 2018	Million	12,522	2.6
Unemployment rate(ABS)	May 2018	Percentage	5.5	-0.2
Wage price Index (ABS)	Mar Qtr 2018	Per cent		
All employees				2.1
Transport, postal and warehousing				1.7
New motor vehicle sales (FCAI)	Mar 2018	Number	106,988	1.5
Cab Chassis/Prime Mover Sales (TIC)	4 months ending Apr 2018	Number	10,003	25.7
Vans (TIC)	4 months ending Apr 2018	Number	1823	6.0
AIP Terminal Gate Price-Diesel-Sydney	29 June 2018	Cents/litre incl. GST	135.9	28.2

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<sup>1</sup> ABS – Australian Bureau of Statistics; RBA – Reserve Bank of Australia; AIP – Australian Institute of Petroleum; FCAI – Federated Chamber of Automotive Industries; TIC – Truck Industry Council/’Prime Mover’ latest issue.