Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) has a legal responsibility to ensure that all Heavy Vehicle Pilots have the appropriate skills and abilities, and are medically fit. To meet this responsibility, legislation provides MRWA the authority to request any Heavy Vehicle Pilot or applicant to provide medical evidence of their suitability to pilot an oversize and/or overmass load. Payment for the medical examination is the responsibility of the applicant.

**Instructions for Medical Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers**

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<td>1. Make an appointment with your Medical Practitioner. • As the examination may take longer than a routine consultation, you should advise that your appointment is for an Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers.</td>
<td>• The examination must be conducted in accordance with the national medical standards described in <em>Assessing Fitness to Drive</em>. This publication is available online at <a href="http://www.austroads.com.au">www.austroads.com.au</a>. It details the examination process and provides an examination proforma to guide you.</td>
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<td>2. Complete the Patient Questionnaire over the page.</td>
<td>• Distribute the completed certificate as follows:</td>
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<td>3. Complete your personal details on the Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers. • Sign the consent to release information at the top right hand of the page.</td>
<td>• Provide your comments on the original Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers (together with any additional information relevant to the patient’s fitness to drive) to the applicant. Once completed provide the assessment and associated documents to the applicant.</td>
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<td>4. Take the completed Patient Questionnaire and the Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers to the appointment with your Medical Practitioner. • If you wear spectacles, hearing aids etc, please take them to the examination. • Please have a list of the names and dosages of your medications to show the Medical Practitioner when you attend your appointment.</td>
<td>• Retain a copy for the patient’s medical record together with detailed examination notes. • Information not relevant to the patient’s fitness to drive should not be forwarded to MRWA.</td>
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On completion of the examination the Medical Practitioner will forward the medical assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers to applicant.

The applicant will include the completed medical no older than 6 months prior to the date of application with their Heavy Vehicle Pilot Licence application and send to:

Main Roads Heavy Vehicle Services  
PO Box 374  
WELSHPOOL DC WA 6986  
Please mark as .

For further information please contact Heavy Vehicle Services on 138 486.

Indemnity - State or Territory legislation provides legal indemnity to practitioners who conduct an examination and provide MRWA with an opinion on the basis of that examination.

Criminal Liability & Insurance – Medical Practitioners may be liable under civil law in cases where a court forms the opinion that they have not taken reasonable steps to ensure that impaired drivers drive only in circumstances that do not place them and other members of the community at increased risk. Professional indemnity insurers are aware of the potential liability of Medical Practitioners and may reasonably expect Medical Practitioners to comply with the national medical standards.
Please answer the questions by ticking the correct box. If you are not sure, leave the question blank and ask your Medical Practitioner what it means.

1. Are you currently being treated by a Medical Practitioner for any illness or injury?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

2. Are you receiving any medical treatment or taking any medication (either prescribed or otherwise)?  
(Please take a list of your medications and dosages with you to show the Medical Practitioner)  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

3. Have you ever had, or been told by a Medical Practitioner that you have, any of the following?

   3.1 High blood pressure  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.2 Heart disease  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.3 Chest pain, angina  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.4 Any condition requiring heart surgery  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.5 Palpitations/irregular heartbeat  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.6 Abnormal shortness of breath  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.7 Head injury, spinal injury  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.8 Seizures, fits, convulsions, epilepsy  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.9 Blackouts, fainting  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.10 Stroke  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.11 Dizziness, vertigo, problems with balance  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.12 Double vision, difficulty seeing  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.13 Colour blindness  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.14 Kidney disease  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.15 Diabetes  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.16 Neck, back or limb disorders  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.17 A Psychiatric illness, or nervous disorder  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.18 Hearing loss or deafness or had an ear operation or use a hearing aid  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.19 Do you have difficulty hearing people on the telephone (including use of hearing aid if worn)?  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes  
   3.20 Any other serious injury, illness, operation, or been in hospital for any reason?  
   ☐ No  ☐ Yes

4.1 Have you ever had, or been told by a Medical Practitioner that you have a sleep disorder, sleep apnoea, or narcolepsy?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

4.2 Has anyone noticed that your breathing stops or is disrupted by episodes of choking during your sleep?

5.0 Please tick the answer that is correct for you:

How often do you have a drink that contains alcohol?

☐ Never  
☐ Monthly  
☐ Two to four times a month  
☐ Two to three times a week  
☐ Four or more times a week

6.0 Do you use illicit drugs?

7.0 Do you use any drugs or medications not prescribed for you by a Medical Practitioner?

8.0 Have you been in a vehicle crash since your last Fitness to Drive assessment?

If Yes, please give details:

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

Applicant's Declaration (in presence of Medical Practitioner):

I, __________________________________________  (FAMILY NAME)  (GIVEN NAME)

__________________________________________

certify that to the best of my knowledge the above information supplied by me is true and correct.

Signature: _______________________________ Date: _________ | _________ | _________

IMPORTANT
For privacy reasons, the completed Patient Questionnaire must not be returned to MRWA. Medical information relevant to the Heavy Vehicle Pilot Licence should be included in on the Assessment of Fitness to Drive for Commercial Drivers.