

# **Chain of Responsibility**



Chain of Responsibility (**'CoR'**) legislation recognises that all participants in the transport and supply chain affect road safety. Each person has CoR obligations based on their specific job responsibilities, actions and inactions.

The changes to Chain of Responsibility legislation under the Heavy Vehicle National Law (2012) [HVNL] became effective from October 1st 2018. The major changes include: a move from a Reasonable Steps defense to a requirement for Reasonably Practicable Action, it establishes a Primary Duty of Care on all those in the chain to act to improve safety standards related to the road transport activity, and requires managers and executives to establish a level of Due Diligence over the practices in their businesses.

# THE CHAIN INCLUDES -

Employer of a Driver \* Prime contractor for a vehicle \* Operator of the vehicle \*Scheduler for the vehicle/ Loading Manager \* Loader and / or unloader \* Consignor and consignee

# Some responsibilities of ALL participants in the Chain of Responsibility:

#### So far as is reasonably practicable:

Ensure the safety of all their transport activities/Eliminate or minimise public risks/Not cause or encourage others to breach their CoR obligations

#### Comply with all CoR legislation requirements regarding:

Mass, dimension and loading/Speed and fatigue management

### Notify the Company of:

Anything that might encourage or require a driver to speed

Any CoR participant who may be breaching Followmont's policies or the CoR legislation

# Comply with the Company's Drug and Alcohol Policy

To play our part in this chain of responsibility, JRFM has strict processes and training to ensure the conduct of any employee never compromises road safety or involves breaking the law.

When moving freight, all parties involved are responsible for the safety of themselves, others and the goods to be delivered.

#### What You the Customer is responsible for:

Weights, dimensions and load restraint Properly packing and labelling goods Declaring dangerous goods Customer must provide completed and accurate DG transport documents Providing safe loading and unloading facilities Fatigue compliance and management

The actions of every party in the Chain contribute to on-road safety.

Thank you for working with us to make safety a top priority. For more information please visit <u>NHVR's website here</u>