

Tow Truck Industry Protective Clothing Policy

This policy applies to the holders of:

- A tow truck operator licence; or
- A tow truck driver certificate;

Under the *Tow Truck Industry Act 1998*

This policy must be complied with at all times when a certified driver or any other employee of a Tow Truck Operator is:

- (A) driving, operating, standing or assisting in the use or operation of a tow truck on a road or road related area; or
- (B) working at an accident scene or salvage site.

I. All persons must at all times wear:

1.1 Sun protective clothing made from an industrial material which complies with AS/NZS 4399 - 2017 (UPF40-50+)

1.2 Fully enclosed protective footwear as classified in AS/NZS 2210.3 - 2019

1.3 Reflective clothing, which is clearly visible, and which may be:

- (a) during **daylight** hours a fluorescent shirt, which complies with AS/NZS 4602.1 - 2011
- (b) during **daylight** hours a vest or jacket which complies with AS/NZS 4602.1 - 2011, or
- (c) during hours of **darkness** a fluorescent shirt, vest or jacket that also has reflective markings and meets AS/NZS 4399 - 2017, AS/NZS 1906.4 - 2010 and AS/NZS 4602.1 - 2016

2. During wet weather, all persons must wear when working outside a tow truck:

2.1 Rain wear with reflective markings manufactured with materials approved under AS/NZS 1906.4 - 2010 class F, class R or class **RF**.

3. All drivers of Category A tow trucks (those with 4 digit number plates):

3.1 Must have "TOWING" printed in block letters at least 7cm in height across the back of their reflective clothing (i.e. shirt, vest, jacket and rainwear)

3.2 NSW Fair Trading may approve in writing, the use of the words "INCIDENT RESPONSE" in lieu of "TOWING"

on drivers clothing for drivers operating a tow truck performing incident management duties on a Motorway.

4. All persons are also required to have available for their use:

4.1 Protective gloves when preparing a motor vehicle to be loaded onto or unloaded from a tow truck;

4.2 Surgical gloves when dealing with blood and fluids in or around a motor vehicle.

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