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Press Release to clarify the use of a GPS on a Motorcycle in South Australia - Road Rule 299

South Australian Road Rule 299 has been amended and brings us in line with the rest of Australia.

The change that affects motorcycles is section 2(ab).

SA RR299 now reads (in part):

299—Television receivers and visual display units in motor vehicles

1. (1) A driver must not drive a motor vehicle that has a television receiver or visual display unit in or on the vehicle operating while the vehicle is moving, or is stationary but not parked, if any part of the image on the screen—
 1. (a) is visible to the driver from the normal driving position; or
 2. (b) is likely to distract another driver.

Offence provision. Note—

Motor vehicle and park are defined in the dictionary, and vehicle is defined in rule 15.

2. (2) This rule does not apply to the driver if—
 - (a) the driver is driving a bus and the visual display unit is, or displays, a destination sign or other bus sign; or
 - (ab) the vehicle is a motor bike and the visual display unit is, or is part of, a driver's aid, and the driver is not holding the visual display unit in his or her hand; or
 - (b) the vehicle is not a motor bike and the visual display unit is, or is part of, a driver's aid and either—
 1. (i) is an integrated part of the vehicle design; or
 2. (ii) is secured in a mounting affixed to the vehicle while being used; or
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This means you can now ride with a GPS or a visual digital unit incorporating a speedo, tacho or gear indicator in SA and be legal.

At a meeting with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure on the 25th October 2012, the MRASA requested the South Australian Road Rule 299 be amended to harmonise with the rest of Australia on. We were informed on 12th November 2012 it would part of the next set of amendments.

Amendment to Road Rule 299 came into effect on 2nd March 2014

<http://mylicence.sa.gov.au/road-rules/road-rules-amendments#2march>

http://www.governmentgazette.sa.gov.au/2014/february/2014_011.pdf

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