Persons applying for the authorisation to drive Medium Rigid, Heavy Rigid or Heavy Combination vehicles must comply with the following requirements:

**Requirement 1.**
Meet eligibility requirements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Prerequisite Licence</th>
<th>Period</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MR</td>
<td>Must have held a licence that authorises you to drive ‘C’ Class vehicles.</td>
<td>One year</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HR</td>
<td>Must have held a licence that is not provisional and authorises you to drive ‘C’ Class vehicles.</td>
<td>Two years</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HC</td>
<td>Must have held a licence that is not provisional and authorises you to drive ‘C’ class vehicles. AND Must have held a licence that is not provisional and authorises you to drive MR or HR class vehicles.</td>
<td>Three years One year</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Requirement 2.**
Pass a practical driving assessment in a minimum standard vehicle as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Requirement</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MR</td>
<td>Motor vehicle that has 2 axles and a gross vehicle mass exceeding 8 tonnes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HR</td>
<td>Motor vehicle that has 3 or more axles and a gross vehicle mass exceeding 15 tonnes and must be loaded to have a minimum on-road mass of 16 tonnes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HC</td>
<td>A prime mover with 3 axles and a gross vehicle mass exceeding 15 tonnes, attached to a semi trailer with at least 2 axles, having a tare weight exceeding 4,500 kilograms, the capability of a gross trailer mass or gross vehicle mass of not less than 16 tonnes and a length of not less than 10 metres. Vehicle combination to be loaded to have minimum on-road mass of 28 tonnes. OR A heavy rigid vehicle that has 3 or more axles and a gross vehicle mass exceeding 15 tonnes, attached to a trailer with a tare weight exceeding 4,500 kilograms, the capability of a gross trailer mass or gross vehicle mass of not less than 16 tonnes and a length of not less than 7 metres. Vehicle combination to be loaded to have a minimum on-road mass of 29 tonnes. Load to be distributed evenly between vehicle and trailer.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Requirement 3.**
Answer 10 questions from the following questionnaire (8 out of 10 correct for a pass)

1. **Question:** What is the maximum mass that may be carried on a single axle with dual tyres other than an omnibus?  
   **Answer:** 9000kg.

2. **Question:** What is the maximum speed limit in the built-up area, unless otherwise indicated, for a vehicle that weighs more than 4.5 tonnes?  
   **Answer:** 50km/h.

3. **Question:** What is the maximum permissible height of a vehicle and its load, other than a livestock trailer?  
   **Answer:** 4.3 metres.

4. **Question:** A heavy vehicle of which the mass, together with any attached trailer and the total load carried (if any), exceeds 12 tonnes is compelled to carry certain emergency equipment, if outside a built-up area. What is this equipment?  
   **Answer:** 3 portable warning signs complying with the relevant Australian Standards.
5. Question: What is the permissible width, including the load, of any vehicle?
   Answer: 2.5 metres maximum.

6. Question: What are the requirements in regard to any extra mass or oversize permit which may be issued?
   Answer: The permit must be carried in the vehicle and be produced on demand when requested by any police officer or other authorised person.

7. Question: When must a trailer be equipped with break away brakes?
   Answer: Where the gross mass exceeds two tonnes or it is a semi-trailer or pole type trailer.

8. Question: What is the maximum speed limit for a vehicle, the gross vehicle mass of which taking into account any trailer attached and including the total load carried, is more than 12 tonnes?
   Answer: 100km/h.

9. Question: Is it permissible to tow a trailer behind an articulated vehicle?
   Answer: Not without the written permission of the Commissioner of Main Roads.

10. Question: What are the provisions with regard to condition of mudguards?
    Answer: They shall be in good condition, free from cracks and sharp or jagged edges.

11. Question: What is the maximum permitted length of an articulated vehicle and its load?
    Answer: 19.0 metres.

12. Question: What is the permissible overall length, including the load, of any rigid vehicle, other than an omnibus?
    Answer: 12.5 metres.

13. Question: What is the maximum mass that may be carried on a single axle with single tyres, other than an omnibus?
    Answer: 6000kg.

14. Question: What must you do when you desire to carry an overwidth, overheight, or overlength load or a load exceeding that for which the vehicle is licensed?
    Answer: Obtain a permit from the Commissioner of Main Roads, or appointed agent.

15. Question: If you are hauling a load greater than your licence permits, what may you be compelled to do in relation to the overload, either where you are stopped or at a specified place?
    Answer: Off load the excess.

16. Question: When you see this sign what must you do?
    Answer: Change to a low gear that slows you enough to limit your speed and not rely on your primary brakes.

17. Question: In the event of a disabled heavy vehicle being left on a carriageway outside a built-up area during the hours of darkness, in what position must the portable warnings signs be placed?
    Answer: One sign must be placed beside the vehicle, and one each to the front and rear at a distance of not less than fifty metres or more than one hundred and fifty metres. Wherever practicable, at least one sign must be visible to an approaching driver at a distance of not less than two hundred metres.