



### HOW IS THE POWER TO WEIGHT RATIO CALCULATED?

The power figure used in the calculation is the output quoted by the motorcycle manufacturer.

The weight figure is based on the tare mass quoted by the manufacturer. However, for motorcycles with a capacity of less than 260cc (cm<sup>3</sup>), the weight of a full tank of fuel and a rider allowance of 90 kg are added. For motorcycles with a capacity of 260cc (cm<sup>3</sup>) or more, a rider allowance of 68 kg is added.

To calculate the power to weight ratio, the number of kw of power is divided by the total weight in kg (tare weight plus fuel plus 90 kg rider allowance for motorcycles under 260 cc, or tare weight plus rider allowance of 68 kg for motorcycles of 260 cc or more). The result is multiplied by 1000 to convert to kw per tonne.



### WHAT DO I DO IF A MOTORCYCLE IS NOT ON THE LIST BUT I THINK IT COMPLIES?

There may be some (mainly older) model motorcycles that are not on the list, but which may comply with the legislation. If you own or wish to ride such a motorcycle, you can get a form requesting recognition of your particular model from one of the locations listed previously.



### WHERE CAN I FIND OUT ABOUT OBTAINING AN ACT MOTORCYCLE LICENCE?

Information about obtaining an ACT motorcycle licence is available from the locations listed previously or at the following website address:

[www.tams.act.gov.au/move](http://www.tams.act.gov.au/move)

(Select - Driver Licence  
- FAQ - Driver Licence Information  
- Motorcycles)

Stay Upright Motorcycle Techniques is the contract provider for motorcycle rider training and assessment in the ACT. They can provide any information you may require regarding learner and provisional motorcycle licensing arrangements and can be contacted on:

(02) 6241 3963 or

[act@stayupright.com.au](mailto:act@stayupright.com.au) or

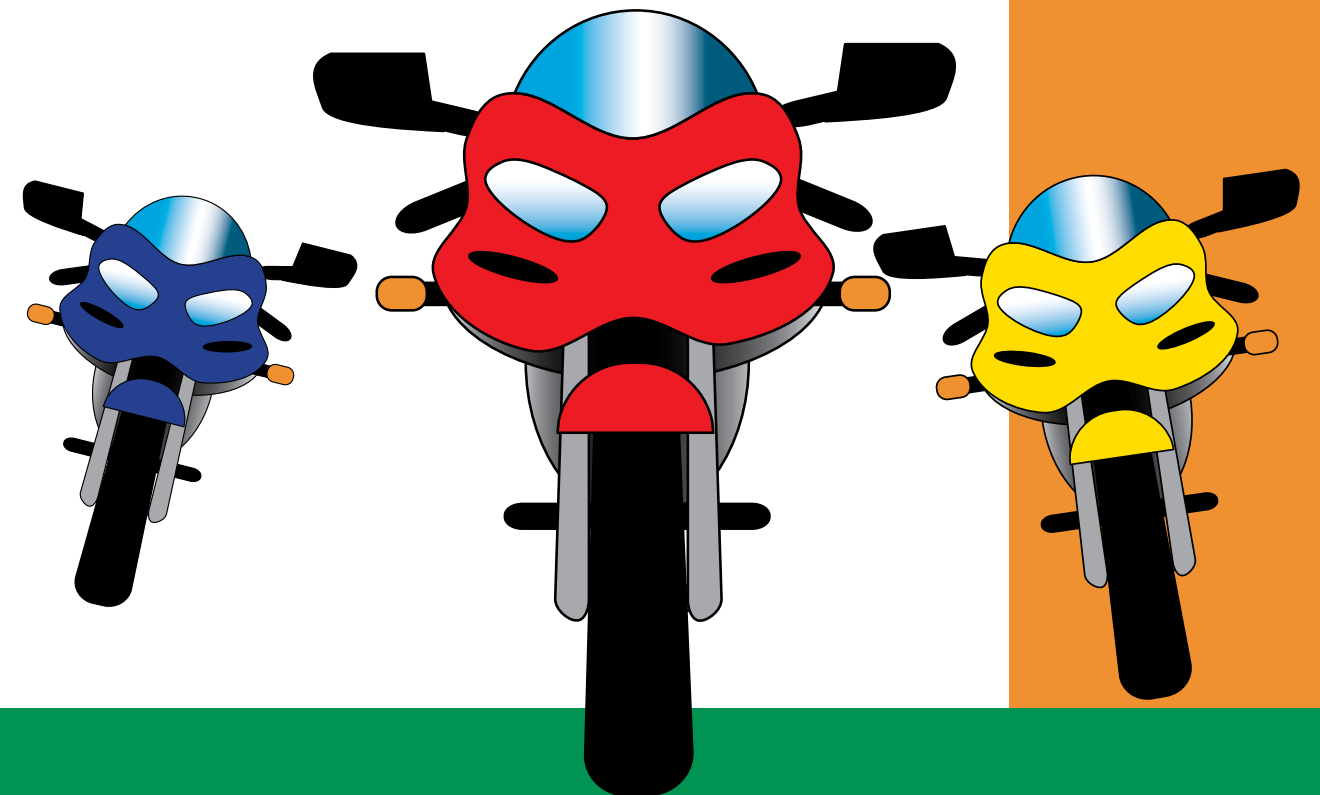
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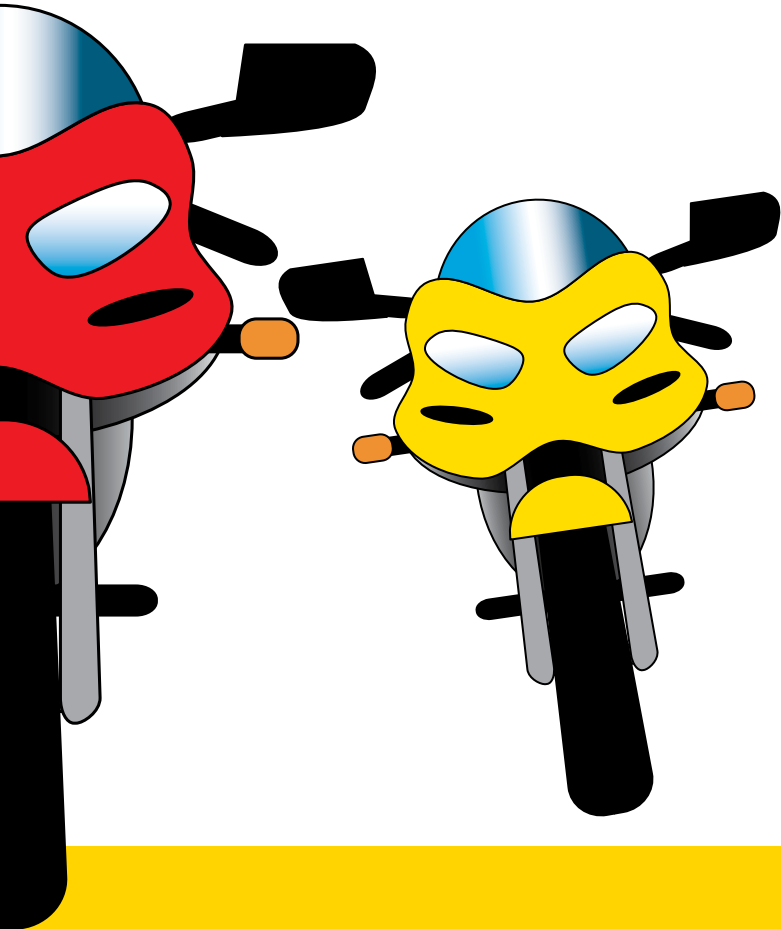


POWER TO WEIGHT RATIO RESTRICTIONS FOR ACT

## LEARNER AND PROVISIONAL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS

## ? WHAT ARE THE RESTRICTIONS?

Under the restrictions, learners and 'novice' licence holders can only ride motorcycles with a power to weight ratio **NOT EXCEEDING 150 kilowatts per tonne** until they have held a provisional motorcycle licence for **at least 12 months**.



## ? WHY ARE THERE MOTORCYCLE RESTRICTIONS FOR LEARNER AND PROVISIONAL LICENCE HOLDERS?

The ACT has restricted the types of motorcycles that learner and provisional licence holders can ride as a road safety initiative. The restrictions ensure inexperienced motorcyclists ride only less powerful motorcycles while they are learning to ride and during the first year of their provisional licence.

## ? WHO DO THE MOTORCYCLE RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO?

The restrictions apply to learner and novice motorcycle licence holders.

### You are a learner if:

- you hold a learner motorcycle licence; or
- you have a 'learner licence receipt' because you already hold a full licence of another class, such as a licence to drive a car.

### You are a novice if:

- you have obtained a provisional motorcycle licence or endorsement, but have had this provisional licence for **less than 12 months**.

## ? HOW CAN I FIND OUT WHICH MOTORCYCLES COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT?

A list is available of more than 400 motorcycles which meet the restrictions. Only motorcycles which have power to weight ratios within the learner/provisional limit are included in this list.

The list can be viewed at the following Canberra Connect locations:

- **Dickson Shopfront**  
13-15 Challis Street  
Dickson ACT 2602
- **Tuggeranong Shopfront**  
Homeworld Shopping Centre  
Tuggeranong ACT 2900
- **Woden Shopfront**  
Cnr Furzer and Corinna Streets  
Phillip ACT 2606
- **Belconnen Shopfront**  
Swanson Plaza  
Belconnen ACT 2617
- **Civic Driver Licence Service**  
Civic Library Building  
Canberra City ACT 2601

On the internet at: [www.rego.act.gov.au](http://www.rego.act.gov.au)

- (Select - Licences  
- Motorcycle restrictions  
- List of approved motorcycles)

- Stay Upright Motorcycle Techniques (who conduct the ACT learner motorcycle training course).
- Motorcycle sales and service dealerships throughout the ACT.

The list will be updated as new models of motorcycles are approved for registration.

The ACT Government will ensure, to the best of its ability, that the list of complying motorcycles is correct. However, some non-standard motorcycles may not comply with legislation requirements.

Therefore, the onus is on you as the rider to make sure that any motorcycle you are interested in buying and riding conforms to the legislation **before** you purchase it.

If you are purchasing a motorcycle from a motorcycle dealer, ask to see the list of motorcycles and ensure that the model you are interested in is on the list.

