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Hello Claude,

Based on the information provided (and Photo) these are not specialist over dimension trailers rather than caravans i.e. the load on the trailer is **not** detachable and as such would require them to be no wider than 2.55 otherwise they would be rejected and unable to obtain a WoF.

The vehicle dimension and mass rule section 3.2(1) requires a vehicle to be within standard dimension limits specified as in schedule 2. Section 1.3(2) clarifies a vehicle includes it's load and restraints this covers all caravans etc.

The definition of a specialist trailer can also be found in note 6 of the VIRM

<https://vehicleinspection.nzta.govt.nz/virms/in-service-wof-and-cof/general-trailers/vehicle-exterior/dimensions>

It may also be helpful to note that 3.2 (2) of the vehicle dimension and mass rule requires a vehicle to comply with section 6 of the vehicle dimension and mass rule. Section 6 covers over dimension vehicles and loads and allows indivisible loads to operate within category 1 or 2 conditions or a permit (depending on dimensions).

In short a caravan does not meet the definition of a indivisible load as it can be constructed to the standard dimension limits thus also making in a non-specialised trailer.

If these caravans are moved on trade plates at measurements that exceed 2.55m wide they would be in breach of the above rules and subject to any enforcement brought to that operator from the Police.

The attached may also be of use for you and your members.

Please advise your members accordingly.

Regards

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