

RAWS Questions and Answers

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ADR EVIDENCE

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	ADR applicability dates for phased in ADRs	<p>How are ADRs applied to SEVS vehicles for phased in ADRs that depend on when the model was first built?</p> <p>The "new model" date is the oldest date in the SEVS eligibility date range (for that model) and the "all models" date is the newest date in the SEVS eligibility date range.</p>	1/01/2003
	Contents of evidence test reports	<p>What are the requirements for the content of sample (SVE) and each vehicle evidence (EVE) test reports?</p> <p>Refer to Issue 1 of the RAWS Workshop News (Jan 03) for details.</p>	1/01/2003
	Definition of campervan and motorhome	<p>What requirements are there for campervans and motorhomes?</p> <p>Refer Administrator's Circular 0-4-12. However, it is intended that the circular will be revised to align the definitions of these vehicles with the UNECE based system. This would require cooking facilities and permanent seating to be</p>	9/08/2004
	Owner's manual	<p>Can the Owner's manual contain information for more than just the vehicle being certified?</p> <p>Yes. It can cover any variants or optional equipment within a Make/Model.</p>	17/10/2003
	Reference axis of lamps	<p>What evidence must accompany a photometric lamp test with regard to installation of the lamp on a vehicle?</p> <p>There must be evidence showing that the reference axis of the lamp is the same in the test as when installed on a vehicle (photographs or diagrams would be sufficient).</p>	3/12/2003

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	Test report re-issuing	<p>Is there any guidance on material amendments to previously issued sample evidence test reports?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. These must only be in the form of a supplemental document.2. Fully re-issued reports must have a new reference number and reference the replaced	1/12/2003
	Using Sample Vehicle Evidence (SVE) for multiple ADR categories	<p>Some vehicles have specifications that meet more than one vehicle category definition. In addition, the evidence requirements for vehicles of those different categories for some ADRs are the same. In such a case, can the same evidence be referenced as sample evidence in the VIC for each vehicle for that ADR?</p> <p>Yes, provided the sample evidence does not include any vehicle category specific information that is not applicable to both vehicle categories and the evidence shown as 'new' (even if signed off by VSS) on the VIC submitted for the first vehicle of each category for which it is used. This enables the first use of the evidence for a different vehicle category to be identified and the evidence examined if needed to confirm its acceptability.</p>	5/03/2004
	Using Sample Vehicle Evidence (SVE) for multiple Makes/Models	<p>Some vehicle makes have little difference apart from the name of the make of the vehicle eg. some Chevrolet and GMC vehicles. For such vehicles, is the sample evidence for one make and model acceptable as sample evidence for the corresponding model of the other make?</p> <p>Yes, provided that all the information in the sample evidence as shown on the vehicle inspection certificate is applicable to the vehicle make and model for which it is provided and the evidence shown as 'new' (even if signed off by VSS) on the VIC submitted for the first vehicle of each make and model for which it is used. This enables the first use of the evidence for a different vehicle make and model to be identified and the evidence examined if needed to confirm its acceptability.</p>	5/03/2004

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ADR	Description	Details	Issued
01/00	E marked reversing lamp parts comparison	<p>Can a reversing lamp without an E mark be shown to comply by proving that the part number is the same as a lamp with an E mark?</p> <p>No. Having the same part number does not guarantee that the design is the same.</p>	1/07/2003
01/00	Replacing lamps	<p>Can a post 1999 lamp be retro-fitted without testing to a pre 1999 vehicle to show compliance to ADR 1/00 and 6/00 under Japanese Origin?</p> <p>No.</p>	14/10/2003
01/00	Reversing lamp parts comparison	<p>Can a pre-1999 reversing lamp be shown to comply by proving that the part number is the same as a post-1999 lamp?</p> <p>No. Having the same part number does not guarantee that the design is the same.</p>	1/07/2003
02/00	Door hinge/latch part numbers	<p>Must door hinges/latches must have part numbers recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>No. Part numbers are ideal if they marked on the</p>	14/10/2003
03/02	Seat and child restraint anchorage test when seats have separate components	<p>ADR 3/02 Clause 5.5.1.2 specifies application of the child restraint anchorage loads simultaneously with twenty times the weight of the entire 'Seat' in a 'Forward' longitudinal direction. Where the seat back and seat cushion are separate components is it acceptable for the seat cushion load to be omitted in this test?</p> <p>Where the seat anchorages of the seat cushion and seat back are independent, the test may exclude the 20 times the seat cushion weight loading and apply the 20 times the seat back weight load simultaneously with the child restraint anchorage loads. Seat anchorages which are more than 200 mm apart are considered to be independent.</p>	24/08/2004
03/02	Seat part numbers	<p>Must seats must have part numbers recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>No. Part numbers are ideal if they marked on the vehicle, otherwise photographs are sufficient.</p>	14/10/2003

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03/02	Simultaneous testing of CRAs	<p>Does CI 5.5.1.2 of ADR 3/02 require all CRAs and seats to be tested simultaneously?</p> <p>No. Each seat and its related CRA(s) must be tested simultaneously, but it need not be simultaneously with any other seat unless sharing mountings</p>	4/06/2004
04/03	Mitsubishi Delica Spacegear 7 Seater - seatbelts, seat travel and swivel mechanism	<p>Is it acceptable to have the buckle component on the retracting strap of the lap/sash belt that is not accessible (as per CI 7.4) for all positions of seat travel, for the second row right hand outboard seating position?</p> <p>Yes, but only to the extent where the seat travel may include extra distance to facilitate a swivel arrangement.</p>	12/10/2004
04/03	Mitsubishi Delica Spacegear 8 Seater - multiple seatbelts and swivel mechanism	<p>Is it acceptable to have a lap seatbelt and a lap/sash seatbelt on the second row right hand seat (facing forward)?</p> <p>Yes, provided there is a durable warning label made obvious to the occupant of the seat. The label must advise the correct seatbelt to wear for each configuration the seat can be used in. The swivel mechanism need not be disabled.</p>	23/08/2004
04/03	Seat belt fitment	<p>Must seat belt fitment checks in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE) be done by a test facility?</p>	16/10/2003
04/03	Seat belt markings	<p>Must the seat belt make and part number be recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p>	16/10/2003
04/03	Toyota Supra seat belt fitment	<p>Are there certification problems with the Toyota Supra rear seat belts?</p> <p>Yes. They do not fit a 50 percentile child. Various solutions are available.</p>	16/10/2003
05/04	Anchorage part numbers	<p>Must anchorages have part numbers recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>No. Part numbers are ideal if they marked on the vehicle, otherwise photographs are sufficient.</p>	17/10/2003

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05/04	Determining the Seating Reference Plane (SRP)	<p>What are acceptable methods for determining the Seating Reference Plane (SRP)?</p> <p>Refer to RAWs Information Bulletin Number 9 for further information.</p>	1/07/2003
05/04	Mitsubishi Delica Spacegear 7 Seater - lap seatbelts	<p>Is it acceptable to have a lap seatbelt and a lap/sash seatbelt on the second row right hand outboard seating position?</p> <p>No, the additional lap belt must be removed (refer CI 5.5.2) and where the seat swivels there must be a sign warning the occupant that the rearward configuration is not to be used when the vehicle is in motion.</p>	12/10/2004
05/04	Mitsubishi Delica swivel seats	<p>Are there certification problems with Mitsubishi Delica swivel seats?</p> <p>Yes. Some seats swivel allowing only a lap seat belt to be used in the rearward direction, a lap/sash in the transverse direction and a lap in the forward direction. The swivel mechanism must be disabled and the lap belt removed.</p> <p>Update 08/09/04 This has been superseded by an ADR4/03 item issued 23/08/04.</p>	17/10/2003
08/01	Japanese origin for windscreens	<p>Can an aftermarket windscreen be accepted as Japanese origin if it is marked with the JIS symbol?</p> <p>No. The part must have been fitted to the vehicle, or be identical to the part fitted to the vehicle, when it was first supplied to the Japanese market.</p>	26/04/2004
08/01	Transmissivity test	<p>What is the requirement for transmissivity test reports in sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>The test unit must have a 2856 K calibrated source and measurements must be made according to the unit manufacturer's instructions (a copy must be held).</p>	17/10/2003
10/01	Mitsubishi Delica vehicle category	<p>Does the Mitsubishi Delica have to meet ADR 10/01?</p> <p>No, as it is not a forward control design.</p>	17/10/2003

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13/00	E marked bulbs in E marked lamps	<p>Must E marked lamps be fitted with E marked bulbs?</p> <p>No. The bulbs need only meet the evidence requirements for ADR51/00.</p>	23/07/2004
13/00	E marks on lamps	<p>Is the RAW expected to verify authenticity of E marks on a vehicle?</p> <p>No, only that they match the evidence held.</p>	14/10/2003
13/00	Lamp positions	<p>Must the actual lamp positions (distances) on the vehicle be recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>Yes. The evidence must clearly indicate that lamps meet the sample evidence. This can be done by measurements, in which case actual dimensions must be recorded, or by photos that adequately show location.</p>	17/10/2003
13/00	Mitsubishi Delica cornering lamps	<p>Are there any certification problems with Mitsubishi Delica cornering lamps?</p> <p>The Mitsubishi Delica Spacegear 4WD may have cornering lamps that operate with the position lamps. This does not comply with ADR 13/00 Cl 7.4.7.2, as they must operate only with the headlamps. Disconnecting them is an acceptable solution.</p>	1/12/2003
13/00	Number of stop/position lamps for the Nissan Skyline	<p>What is the correct number of rear stop/position lamps to be reported in the ADR 13/00 evidence and the VIC for the Nissan Skyline?</p> <p>Most variants of the Nissan Skyline have rear stop/position lamps that appear to consist of 4 round lamps. However, these are grouped lamps and so may be reported as 2 for ADR 13/00 evidence and the VIC purposes.</p> <p>Any Centre High Mounted Stop Lamp (CHMSL) would be added to make 3 in total.</p>	5/01/2003
18/02	Electronic km/h to mph speedometers	<p>Must the switch be disabled where an electronic speedometer is capable of being switched to miles per hour?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	17/01/2003

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18/02	Instrument dimmer switch	<p>Is there still a requirement for an instrument dimmer switch, given that Clause CI 18.4.3 of ADR18/02 has now been deleted?</p> <p>No.</p>	17/01/2003
18/02	Odometer accuracy - methods and length of trip needed to prove	<p>What are some acceptable methods of determining the odometer and speedometer accuracy?</p> <p>To ensure a 4% accuracy can be established, check by driving a known distance and compare this against the odometer on the vehicle. Note: if the odometer reads down to 1 km, the trip must be at least 25 km long. If it reads down to 0.1 km, the trip must be at least 2.5 km long. Add any error in the known distance to this.</p> <p>Alternatively, if driving until the odometer clicks over to a reading, then comparing to a GPS or 5th wheel device, the error is only that of the GPS or 5th wheel device.</p> <p>All checks must be done on the odometer and not the trip meter, unless a direct relationship between the two can be established.</p>	3/12/2003
21/00	Instrument panel definition	<p>Is there a definition of what is considered as part of the instrument panel for the purposes of compliance to ADR 21/00?</p> <p>Any part that is in the head impact area.</p>	17/01/2003
22/00	Head restraint height of Nissan Stagea and Skyline R33 2 door	<p>Are there any certification problems with the head restraint height of the Nissan Stagea and Nissan Skyline R33 2 door?</p> <p>The restraints on the front seats may be too low. Fitting spacers to lift the restraint 72 mm minimum for the Stagea and 15 mm for the Skyline is an acceptable solution. The spacers must be retained when the restraint is removed and so not be likely to be removed by the user.</p> <p>Note: There are different seat variants and only some have the problem. The variants that are acceptable usually have a seat base (at highest setting) to top of restraint (at lowest setting) measurement of about 710 mm.</p>	5/01/2004

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22/00	Head restraints	<p>How should the head restraint dimensions be represented in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE) and the each vehicle evidence (EVE)?</p> <p>Actual dimensions should be recorded in both. How the Seating Reference Point (SRP) has been derived should also be shown in the SVE (Note: Vehicle Standards Bulletin (VSB) number 5A describes an acceptable method for this).</p>	17/01/2003
22/00	H-point template error	<p>Is the template from Vehicle Standards Bulletin No. 5A template acceptable for locating the H-point, for the purpose of determining the height of a head restraint?</p> <p>Yes, however there may be some error associated in its use. Where there is a marginal reading (close to the lower limit), an H-point machine should be used instead.</p>	8/01/2004
24/02	"Maximum Vehicle Speed 24/00"	<p>What are the acceptable ways to determine the "Maximum Vehicle Speed 24/00"?</p> <p>By the methods in the ADR as it is a defined term ie a 1.6 km test, hoist test or by calculation. It must not be taken off the speedometer scale or tyre speed information.</p>	17/01/2003
28/01	Acceptable sound meters	<p>Is a sound meter that meets IEC 651 acceptable for ADR 28/01 testing?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	26/09/2003
28/01	Noise system drive-by test	<p>Does an automatic transmission drive-by test cover a manual transmission variant of the same vehicle?</p> <p>Yes, if worst case justification can be demonstrated.</p>	17/01/2003
28/01	Noise system identification	<p>Must the intake/exhaust system have part numbers recorded in the sample vehicle evidence (SVE)?</p> <p>No. Part numbers are ideal if they marked on the vehicle, otherwise photographs are sufficient.</p>	17/01/2003

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29/00	US vehicles sold in to Japan	Should US designed vehicles (eg Chevrolet Corvette) sold in to Japan be certified with the evidence type "Japanese origin" or "US origin". "Japanese origin" (where relevant) as this is where the vehicles were first registered, despite the design originating in the US.	20/11/2003
30/00	Month and year of manufacture for engine label	Can the month and year of manufacture of the vehicle, instead of the engine, be shown on a label when demonstrating compliance to CI 30.2.3.0? Yes.	26/04/2004
30/00	Using commercial fuel for smoke testing	Can commercial diesel fuel be used when testing to ADR 30/00? Yes, provided certain parameters are met. Contact VSS for further information.	26/04/2004
31/00	Brake evidence passenger cars	Must there be sample vehicle evidence (SVE) against every ADR clause listed in the evidence determination? Yes.	17/10/2003
33/00	Brake evidence motorcycles	Must there be sample vehicle evidence (SVE) against every ADR clause listed in the evidence determination? Yes.	17/10/2003
34/01	CRA accessibility	What must the sample vehicle evidence (SVE) contain to demonstrate accessibility of Child Restraint Anchorages (CRAs) ? Photographs and/or drawings.	17/01/2003
34/01	CRA design and tests	What are acceptable methods of fabricating Child Restraint Anchorages (CRAs)? Load bearing welds are generally not acceptable unless good control over the welding process can be shown. The preferred option is to use nuts and bolts. Load tests must be done simultaneously on all anchorages (there are exceptions to this - see later question on simultaneous testing).	17/10/2003

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34/01	Simultaneous testing of Child Restraint Anchorages (CRAs)	<p>Where there is difficulty testing CRAs simultaneously (such as when they are located on multiple seating rows), is it acceptable to test separately?</p> <p>Possibly, provided there is engineering justification to demonstrate (a) the difficulty in testing simultaneously (b) that the separate anchorages are sufficiently independent from each other such that the test results would not be affected. Viewed on a case-by-case basis.</p>	12/01/2004
34/01	The use of Analysis under ADR 34/01	<p>Can "Analysis" include comparisons to full volume vehicles?</p> <p>Yes. Where components are identical this can supplement or replace strength calculations.</p>	20/08/2004
35/01	Brake evidence for each clause heavy vehicles	<p>Must there be sample vehicle evidence (SVE) against every ADR clause listed in the evidence determination?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	17/10/2003
37/01	"At time of Import" definition for changing cat converters	<p>What is the definition of "At time of Import" as relates to changing catalytic converters?</p> <p>It is the date that the ship enters the port of discharge, not the date the import approval was issued or that the vehicle was released from the Customs Service.</p>	1/10/2003
37/01	"More than 5 years old" definition for changing cat converters	<p>What are some acceptable ways to determine a vehicle's age when deciding whether the catalytic converter(s) must be changed?</p> <p>The dates on hoses or parts, or the date of first registration as specified on a de-registration certificate, may be used as indicators.</p>	3/12/2003
37/01	Emission part numbers	<p>What types of catalytic converter and charcoal canister can be fitted to a vehicle?</p> <p>Only the types identified on the sample vehicle evidence (SVE) test report for emissions.</p>	17/10/2003

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37/01	Use of remanufactured charcoal canisters	<p>Can a remanufactured charcoal canister be fitted in lieu of a new canister to meet ADR 37/.. Requirements?</p> <p>No. Note 3 of ADR 37 Emission Controls For Light Vehicles requires a new canister (to sample vehicle specification) to be fitted.</p>	16/09/2004
42/03	HICAS steering	<p>Is HICAS steering (4 wheel non-mechanical at the rear) acceptable under ADR 42/.. as it is not mechanically connected to the steering wheel?</p> <p>Yes, because it is not essential for steering the vehicle.</p>	17/10/2003
42/03	Vehicle jacks	<p>Should information about the vehicle jack be included in the ADR 42/.. evidence?</p> <p>No, as vehicle jacks are not covered by the ADRs (note that under the Trades Practices Act, vehicle jacks are still required to meet the relevant Australian Standard).</p>	1/01/2003
42/04	VSB4 applicabilty to ADR 42/04	<p>As ADR 42/04 does not require specific testing for demisting of windscreens and windscreen wiper and washing systems, are the requirements in VSB 4 still applicable?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	5/03/2004
61/02	Front registration plate opening on a Nissan Stagea	<p>Are there any certification problems with the front registration plate opening on a Nissan Stagea?</p> <p>The width is approximately 340 mm, for which the determination does not give a concession to 372 mm. Using spacers to clear the recess and allow a full plate to be fitted is an acceptable</p>	5/01/2004
61/02	Rear registration plate opening	<p>Must a warning be placed in the owner's manual where rear number plate openings are only 320-372 mm wide?</p> <p>It is not a RAW requirement, although some State and Territory registration authorities may require it under their procedures.</p>	1/07/2002

COMPLETED VEHICLE REPORT (CVR)

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Additional checks in the Completed Vehicle Report (CVR)	<p>Can a CVR include checks to be done on items not applicable to the sample vehicle?</p> <p>Yes. However, the sample evidence against which the checks are done must be clearly identified, as in its absence, there is no assurance that the vehicle has been checked against the applicable sample evidence.</p>	5/03/2004
	Each vehicle evidence (EVE) traceability	<p>What requirements are there for multiple page Completed Vehicle Reports (CVR) where these are used to hold the Each Vehicle Evidence (EVE)?</p> <p>Where there are multiple pages, each page must contain a reference that identifies it as part of a record set (eg VIN number) and an indication of the end of the record set (eg page # of #)</p>	1/12/2003
	Information in the Completed Vehicle Report (CVR)	<p>What information needs to be completed in the CVR when a VIC is lodged?</p> <p>The CVR must be complete except for the information that can not be included due the used import plate not being fitted. The CVR must be signed and dated by the VIC signatory noting that the above information is to be completed and signed off and dated when the used imported plate is fitted.</p>	5/03/2004
	Scope of evidence requirements in the Completed Vehicle Report (CVR)	<p>Is the evidence required in the CVR limited to that specified in Part 7 of the Approval to Place Used Import Plates Determination?</p> <p>No. Evidence required for each vehicle include information required in other parts of the Determination (eg. evidence of country of origin (where applicable), vehicle components being undamaged and to the sample evidence specification).</p>	5/03/2004
	Signing of the Completed Vehicle Report (CVR)	<p>Must the CVR be signed on each page by the VIC signatory?</p> <p>No. However, the CVR must be signed and dated by the VIC signatory with a statement to confirm that the information provided in it shows compliance with the applicable requirements.</p>	5/03/2004

CONSUMER INFORMATION NOTICE (CIN)

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Guidance on completing - odometer reading and part numbers	<p>Is there any guidance on completing a CIN?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Where the vehicle is to be inspected by DOTARS prior to the model being added to the schedule, the odometer reading may be filled in to the CIN after the inspection.2. Where modification related components do not have part numbers marked on them, the part number box in the CIN table should be left blank.3. Where modification related components have part numbers marked on them but are not accessible unless dismantled (eg brake backing plates) they still must be recorded on the table.4. Where modification related components have identification markings but not part numbers,	3/12/2003
	Letterhead/logo in Consumer information notice (CIN)	<p>Can the Consumer Information Notice contain the letterhead and/or logo of the RAW in addition to that required by Regulation 57(h), 58 and Schedule 1 of the MVS Regulations?</p> <p>No.</p>	5/03/2004
	Requirement to attach the Consumer information notice (CIN)	<p>Until when does the CIN need to be attached to the vehicle in accordance with Regulation 58(4)?</p> <p>In accordance with the Section 3(b), Objects of the Act and the definition of supply to the market, the CIN must be attached to the vehicle until it is delivered to a person for use in transport in</p>	5/03/2004
	Requirement to complete the Consumer information notice (CIN)	<p>What information needs to be completed in the CIN of a vehicle when a VIC is lodged for it?</p> <p>The CIN must be complete except for the date the used import plate is fitted. The CIN may be signed and dated by the VIC signatory noting that the above information is to be completed and signed off and dated when the used imported plate is fitted.</p>	5/03/2004
	Spare parts information in Consumer information notice (CIN)	<p>Can the Consumer Information Notice contain information on where spare parts may be obtained?</p> <p>No.</p>	5/03/2004

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Discussion items - major	<p>What are major discussion items?</p> <p>Major discussion items show significant non-compliance with requirements or deficiencies that may lead to such non-compliances.</p>	5/03/2004
	Discussion Items - structure	<p>How should responses to DIs raised be structured?</p> <p>A response to a DI should indicate the rectification action taken, the reason for the deviation from requirements where applicable) and action to prevent recurrence. Where applicable, evidence of the action taken should</p>	5/03/2004

FEES

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	GST applicability	<p>Are RAW fees subject to the GST?</p> <p>No. They are exempt.</p>	1/07/2002
	Similar models - fees	<p>Some vehicles of different make and model have little difference apart from their make and model names eg. some Chevrolet and GMC vehicles. For such vehicles, is a separate fee payable to have the second make and model included in the RAW's schedule of approved vehicles?</p> <p>Yes. However, where the SEVS ruling for a vehicle model shows another vehicle model as an alternative, then a separate fee will not be charged to include the second model in the schedule of approved vehicles of a RAW when the first model is entered in it.</p>	5/03/2004

FIT & PROPER PERSON REQUIREMENTS

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Criminal History Check	<p>For whom are police checks required?</p> <p>Police checks form a part of the fit and proper requirements of Section 21B(1)(b) of the Act, Regulation 42(k) and Regulation 39(2). They are required for the directors, each officer or shareholder who is in a position to influence the management of the RAW applicant, executive officer and vehicle inspection signatory.</p>	1/01/2003

IMPORTING VEHICLES

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Importing a vehicle not on the schedule	<p>Once a RAW applicant gains approval as a RAW, can an import and plate application be made for a vehicle not on its schedule of approved vehicles?</p> <p>Yes, provided the vehicle is on the SEVS register, the "import a sample vehicle" option is selected on the application and unless otherwise approved, the vehicle is the first vehicle of that make and model for which the application is made by the RAW. The vehicle(s) and the applicable evidence may be subject to inspection prior to the vehicle make model being added to the RAW's schedule of approved vehicles and a used import plate being issued.</p>	5/03/2004
	Importing multiple vehicles	<p>Can a RAW applicant who has imported their first vehicle import a second vehicle of the same make and model while awaiting a inspection of the first vehicle?</p> <p>No. A RAW applicant can import only one vehicle.</p>	5/03/2004
	Importing vehicles with aftermarket components	<p>Can a vehicle fitted with an after market exhaust system be imported under RAWS?</p> <p>Yes. However, the exhaust system fitted to the vehicle when a used import plate is fitted to it must be in accordance with the applicable sample evidence shown on the vehicle inspection certificate submitted for the vehicle.</p>	5/03/2004
	Transfer of vehicles	<p>If a RAW or RAW applicant is unable to certify a vehicle imported by them, can another RAW or RAW applicant use it as their first or subsequent vehicle?</p> <p>Depending on the circumstances and the evidence provided in support, the Administrator may grant a request for use of a vehicle imported by one RAW or RAW applicant be plated by another RAW or RAW applicant.</p>	5/03/2004

INCOMING VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT (IVIR)

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Damaged or stolen and stripped vehicles	<p>Can previously damaged vehicles or previously stolen and stripped vehicles be fitted with a used import plate?</p> <p>A vehicle that has been damaged in the past such that its structural integrity had been reduced can not be fitted with a used import plate, even if it has been repaired. However, a vehicle that has been stolen and stripped can be, provided the replaced parts are identical to those of the original specification.</p>	2/12/2003
	Damaged vehicles on initial inspection	<p>If a vehicle is damaged during shipping, within the workshop of the RAW or sub-contractor and the extent of the damage is beyond the limits specified in the Procedures for Inspecting and Testing Used Imported Vehicles Determination, can it be repaired and certified under the RAW scheme?</p> <p>No. It must be exported or destroyed.</p>	5/03/2004

SEVS ELIGIBILITY

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	SEVS vehicle categories	<p>Some vehicles have specifications that meet more than one vehicle category definition. Can a SEVS eligibility ruling be issued for the vehicle model in each category?</p> <p>The Administrator may determine that a vehicle is in a particular vehicle category (Regulation 25). Where the vehicle characteristics meet the definition of more than one vehicle category, then a SEVS eligibility ruling may be issued in each applicable vehicle category. Vehicles relating to different SEVS eligibility rulings will have separate entries on the RAW's schedule of approved make models.</p>	5/03/2004

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	Similar models	<p>Some vehicles of different make and model have little difference apart from their make and model names eg. some Chevrolet and GMC vehicles. For such vehicles, is a SEVS ruling for one make and model applicable to the corresponding model of the other make?</p> <p>Not necessarily. The similarity of the vehicles will be recognised in schedule 3 of the SEVS ruling under the heading 'Alternative models'. However, a separate SEVS eligibility ruling will be available for each make and model. Vehicles relating to different SEVS eligibility rulings will have separate entries on the RAW's schedule of approved make models.</p>	5/03/2004

VEHICLE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE (VIC)

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	"New evidence" - meaning	<p>When is a sample evidence document to be shown as 'New' evidence?</p> <p>Where a VSS inspector has not signed off a sample evidence document, it should be shown as 'New' evidence on the VIC. Where the same sample evidence is applicable to vehicles of different makes and models or vehicle category then this sample evidence needs to be signed off for each different vehicle make model and category for which it is used and if applicable to the RAW it must be recognised in the RAW's ISO certified quality system.</p>	5/03/2004
	"Specific Evidence" column on the VIC - meaning	<p>What documents need to be referenced in the column headed Specific Evidence Document Reference?</p> <p>For a particular ADR, the document containing the information required in Part 7 of the evidence determination under specific evidence for each vehicle should be shown in this column. If the CVR contains this information, the CVR reference may be used.</p>	5/03/2004

VEHICLE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE (VIC)

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	ADR versions not shown in requirements	<p>What evidence requirements apply for versions of the ADR not shown in the Approval to Place Used Import Plates Determination?</p> <p>As indicated in Part 7 of the Determination, the Administrator will advise evidence requirements for such ADRs on request.</p>	5/03/2004
	Amending evidence to include new variant information	<p>Can a sample evidence document containing information signed off previously for one variant (eg. an engine) be amended to include information relating to a second variant and referenced in the VIC for a vehicle with the second variant?</p> <p>No. If a document is amended, it must be identified differently from the unamended document and this difference visible in the document reference shown in the VIC. Combining signed off evidence with unseen evidence in one document would make it a 'new' document and need to be shown as such on the VIC. To sign off the new document would require VSS inspectors to check not only the information relating to the second variant but also verify that the other information in the document is identical to that previously signed off. Additionally, the CVR would need to identify the part of the sample evidence document applicable to the specific vehicle being inspected. The use of separate evidence for the different variants would overcome these difficulties and provide greater assurance of compliance with the requirements.</p>	5/03/2004
	Electronic VIC sign-off	<p>Is there a need to have a physical sign off by the VIC signatory of the information provided in a VIC as the VIC signatories use their Personal Identification Numbers to lodge VICs electronically?</p> <p>No. The electronic receipt of a VIC from a RAW applicant with the name of the VIC signatory shown on it is taken as being signed off by that VIC signatory. However, the RAW applicant must have procedures and records to show that the VIC is not lodged until the necessary information is held, the vehicle modified in accordance with the workshop's procedures and the applicable documents completed.</p>	5/03/2004

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	Multiple evidence entries for one ADR	<p>Can more than one document be referenced as sample evidence on a VIC for an ADR?</p> <p>Yes. The documents taken together must show compliance for the ADR concerned for the whole vehicle.</p>	5/03/2004
	Multiple variant information within one VIC	<p>Can a sample evidence document referenced in a VIC contain information relating to more than one variant (eg. an engine variant)?</p> <p>No, it should contain only the information for the variant applicable to the vehicle to which the VIC applies. Otherwise VSS inspectors may not be able to sign off only the parts of documents applicable to the vehicle inspected. This would result in such documents having to be identified as 'new' on subsequent VICs as the entire document would not be signed off.</p> <p>The exceptions are ADRs 18/.., 20/.., 23/.. and 24/..</p> <p>ADRs 24/.. requires the the tyre placard to list the nominated rim profiles and recommended tyres sizes for each rim profile, even if they are not fitted to the vehicle concerned. It has been accepted that the tyre placard may have tyre and rim combinations applicable to other variants of the same vehicle model provided their applicability to each variant is clearly shown on the tyre placard. The tyre placard evidence must be shown as 'new' (even if signed off by VSS) on the VIC submitted for the first vehicle of each variant for which it is used. This enables the first use of the evidence for a different variant to be identified and the evidence examined if needed to confirm its acceptability and the availability of the corresponding ADR 23/.. evidence to be confirmed.</p> <p>In regard to ADRs 18/.., 20/..and 23/.., the sample evidence must cover all the tyres and rims shown on the tyre placard as applicable to the vehicle for which the VIC is lodged. This evidence (or any part of it) must be shown as 'new' (even if signed off by VSS) on the VIC submitted for the first vehicle of each variant for which it is used.</p>	5/03/2004

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	Protocol for listing evidence on the VIC	<p>What sample vehicle evidence (SVE) should be noted as "New Evidence" when listing it on the VIC?</p> <p>"New Evidence" is evidence which has not been signed-off by VSS against the particular make/model being applied for. This means it is "New Evidence" if not signed-off, or signed-off previously against a different make/model.</p>	1/11/2003

VIC SIGNATORY

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	ADR knowledge test - conditions	<p>Can the relevant documents (eg. the ADRs and Administrator's Circulars) be referred during the VIC signatory ADR knowledge test?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	5/03/2004
	ADR knowledge test and competency test - failure	<p>If a person wishing to be a VIC signatory fails the Competency test or the ADR knowledge test, how soon can VSS conduct re-test(s)?</p> <p>A test may be re-taken at a date after the failed test provided it is supervised by a VSS inspector.</p>	5/03/2004
	Competency test - conditions	<p>Can the relevant documents (eg. the MVS Act, Regulations, Determinations, RAWs Guide) be referred to during the VIC signatory Competency test?</p> <p>No.</p>	5/03/2004
	VIC Signatory - requirements	<p>Can a person who has passed the Competency test and ADR knowledge test still not be accepted as a VIC signatory?</p> <p>Yes. If there is evidence that the VIC signatory is not performing his/her obligations under the MVSA, (eg. significant non-compliances with requirements in the sample evidence, each vehicle evidence or a vehicle which has been signed off as meeting the requirements).</p>	5/03/2004

WORKSHOP & SUB-CONTRACTING WORK

ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Each Vehicle Evidence (EVE) test equipment	<p>Does a RAW need to own the equipment required to carry out the each vehicle tests required in the Approval to Place Used Import Plates Determination?</p> <p>No. However, if the equipment is not owned and available at the RAW's premises, then the details of the equipment, its calibration records and procedures used to make the measurements must be available at the RAW's premises.</p>	5/03/2004
	Servicing and tuning	<p>What information is needed to be retained by the RAW to show that each vehicle has been serviced and tuned to the original manufacturer's specifications?</p> <p>The RAW must hold the original manufacturer's instructions for servicing and tuning the vehicle and the corresponding records of work done to show that these instructions have been followed. Where a test is specified (eg. an idle emissions test), the RAW must hold a test report showing compliance with the test requirements for each vehicle. The test report must contain the information specified for each vehicle test reports in RAW News issue 3.</p>	5/03/2004
	Sub-contracting campervan and motorhome work	<p>Can interior fit-out of a campervan or motorhome be sub-contracted, particularly where licensed work (gas/electrical) is a legal requirement?</p> <p>No. Regulation 57 limits what can be sub-contracted. Building interior equipment can be sub-contracted but must be installed or assembled in to the vehicle by the RAW. The current legislation also applies this to licensed work.</p>	29/07/2004

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ADR	Description	Details	Issued
	Sub-contracting Each Vehicle Evidence (EVE) tests	Can the each vehicle tests required in the Approval to Place Used Import Plates Determination be sub-contracted? No. The RAW is required to conduct the each vehicle tests specifically mentioned in the Approval to Place Used Import Plates Determination (eg stationary noise test and evaporative emissions pressure test). Any other test not specifically mentioned in the determination but which may be required on each vehicle (eg. an idle emissions test in servicing and tuning it to the original manufacturer's specification) may be sub-contracted.	5/03/2004
	Sub-contracting roadworthiness repairs	Can vehicle repairs be sub-contracted where they are required to meet roadworthy requirements (eg. replacement of a leaking engine oil seal)? Yes. Persons other than directors or employees of the RAW may perform servicing and repair	5/03/2004