

# VIRM: IN-SERVICE CERTIFICATION AMENDMENT

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## IN THIS AMENDMENT

- General amendment changes
- Changes as a result of the amendment to Land Transport Rule: Light Vehicle Brakes 2002
- LVV threshold changes originally signalled for introduction last year (listed together after the general changes).

### General changes

SECTION	CHANGE DESCRIPTION
<b>Introduction</b>	
7 Definitions and abbreviations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New definitions added as a result to the amendment to Land Transport Rule: Light Vehicle Brakes 2002:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Antilock brake systems</li> <li>○ Combined brake systems</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>General vehicles</b>	
3-1 Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor changes to the bumper bar wording</li> </ul>
7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rfr 9d updated with a note to say that the requirements do not apply to a seatbelt adjustment device as long as it is securely locked in place.</li> </ul>
8-1 Brakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rfr 32 added: A vehicle of class LE that is fitted with an antilock brake system has a means of disabling that system (unless the vehicle was originally manufactured with that means of disabling the system).</li> <li>• A twinned-wheeled class LE vehicle is no longer required to have a parking brake</li> <li>• Images of motorcycle dashboards added to assist the vehicle inspector to identify the ABS brake system warning lamp or self-check system</li> </ul>
<b>Motorcycles</b>	
8-1 Brakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A twinned-wheeled class LE vehicle is no longer required to have a parking brake</li> <li>• Rfr 29 added: A vehicle of class LE that is fitted with an antilock brake system has a means of disabling that system (unless the vehicle was originally manufactured with that means of disabling the system).</li> <li>• Images of motorcycle dashboards added to assist the vehicle inspector to identify the ABS brake system warning lamp or self-check system</li> </ul>

<b>General trailers</b>	
5-1 Service brake, parking brake and breakaway brake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Note to table 5-1-1 updated to clarify A compliant brake system requires a brake on each wheel of the trailer.</li></ul>

# PREVIEW PAGES

## Introduction

### 7 Definitions and abbreviations

<b>Antilock braking system (ABS)</b>	means a system that senses wheel slip and automatically modulates the pressure producing the braking forces at the wheel or wheels to limit the degree of wheel slip.
<b>Combined brake system</b>	means: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• for vehicle classes LA and LC, a service brake system where at least two brakes on different wheels are operated by the actuation of a single control</li><li>• for vehicle classes LB and LE, a service brake system where the brakes on all wheels are operated by the actuation of a single control</li><li>• for vehicle class LD, a service brake system where the brakes on at least the front and rear wheels are operated by the actuation of a single control. If the rear wheel and sidecar wheel are braked by the same brake system, this is regarded as the rear brake.</li></ul>

## General vehicles

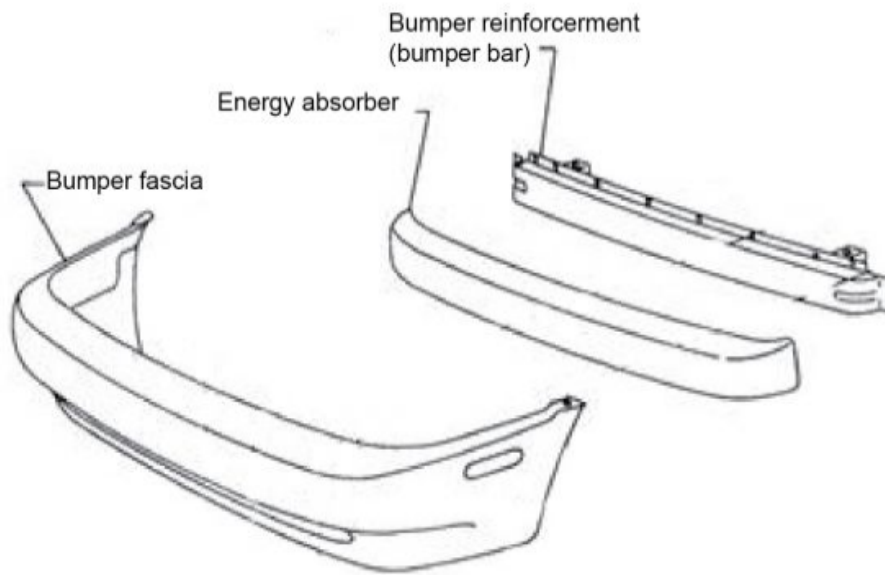
### 3-1 Structure

#### Note 2

**Corrosion damage** is where the metal has been eaten away, which is evident by pitting. The outward sign of such corrosion damage is typically displayed by the lifting or bubbling of paint. In extreme cases, the area affected by the corrosion damage will fall out and leave a hole.

**Bumper bar** means either the structural part inside a plastic bumper or a complete metal bumper as used on older vehicles. The bumper fascia (bumper cover) is not part of the bumper structure. It is the bumper reinforcement (also known as the bumper bar beam) that is the actual bumper bar for inspection purposes (see **Figure 3-1-3**).

Figure 3-1-3. Bumper components structure



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## 7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages

### Reasons for rejection

### Tables and images

### Summary of legislation

9. A component is missing (**Note 19**), or is cracked, distorted, damaged or deteriorated in such a way that:
- a) its strength or integrity is reduced, or
  - b) it may damage another component or the webbing, or
  - c) foreign matter may enter the interior of the mechanism, or
  - d) the seatbelt or a seatbelt component cannot function as intended (**does not apply to securely locked seatbelt height adjusters**).

## 8-1 Brakes

### Reasons for rejection

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#### Parking brake (**Note 1**)

6. A vehicle does not have a parking brake (**does not apply to twinned-wheeled class LE vehicles**).

#### Advanced brake systems

32. A motorcycle that is fitted with an antilock brake system has a non-OEM means of disabling that system, such as an after-market/non-factory switch.

33. A motorcycle's ABS has been disabled.

### Advanced brake systems

34. The ABS or brake system warning lamp or self-check system, if fitted, indicates a defect in the ABS or brake system (does not apply to brake pad wear warning systems) (see **Figure 8-1-1** for examples of a brake system warning lamp on group L vehicles). A defect can be identified by either:

- the ABS light does not illuminate on ignition power-up (if ABS was originally fitted), or
- the ABS light does not turn off after the motorbike has been ridden/moved (this can be checked when doing an on-road brake test).

#### Note 1 Definitions

**Twinned wheels** means two wheels mounted on the same axle where the distance between the centres of their areas of contact with the ground is equal to or less than 460 mm.

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**Figure 8-1-1. Examples of ABS warning light fault indication**



## General trailers

### 5-1 Service brake, parking brake and breakaway brake

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<p><b>Table 5-1-1. Trailer brake requirements</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Type of brake required</th> <th colspan="3">Laden weight (Note 5) of the trailer</th> </tr> <tr> <th>2000kg or less</th> <th>2001–2500kg</th> <th>2501-3500kg</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Service brake</td> <td>Not required but, if fitted, must act on each wheel of at least one axle</td> <td>Required; either direct or indirect service brake must act on each wheel of at least one axle</td> <td>Required; direct service brake must act on each wheel of at least one axle, or an indirect service brake that complies with UN/ECE Regulation No.13 (see <b>Technical bulletin 15: Identifying compliant hitches and brake systems</b>)  <b>Note:</b> A compliant brake system requires a brake on each wheel of the trailer.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Type of brake required	Laden weight (Note 5) of the trailer			2000kg or less	2001–2500kg	2501-3500kg	Service brake	Not required but, if fitted, must act on each wheel of at least one axle	Required; either direct or indirect service brake must act on each wheel of at least one axle	Required; direct service brake must act on each wheel of at least one axle, or an indirect service brake that complies with UN/ECE Regulation No.13 (see <b>Technical bulletin 15: Identifying compliant hitches and brake systems</b> )  <b>Note:</b> A compliant brake system requires a brake on each wheel of the trailer.
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## Motorcycles

### 8-1 Brakes

Reasons for rejection	Tables and images	Summary of legislation
<p><b>Parking brake (Note 1)</b></p> <p>6. A vehicle of class LE first registered anywhere on or after 1 April 2002 does not have a parking brake (does not apply to twinned-wheeled vehicles).</p> <p>8. A parking brake does not act on at least one axle that has dual wheels fitted (does not apply to twinned-wheeled class LE vehicles).</p> <p><b>Advanced brake systems (ABS)</b></p> <p>29. A motorcycle that is fitted with an antilock brake system has a non-OEM means of disabling that system, such as an after-market/non-factory switch.</p> <p>30. A motorcycle's ABS has been disabled.</p> <p><b>Performance</b></p> <p>34. The ABS or brake system warning lamp or self-check system, if fitted, indicates a defect in the ABS or brake system (does not apply to brake pad wear warning systems) (see <b>Figure 8-1-1</b> for examples of a brake system warning lamp on group L vehicles). A defect can be identified by either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the ABS light does not illuminating on ignition power-up (if ABS was originally fitted), or</li> <li>the ABS light does not turn off after the motorbike has been ridden/moved (this can be checked when doing an on-road brake test).</li> </ul> <p><b>Note 1 Definitions</b></p> <p><b>Twinned wheels</b> means two wheels mounted on the same axle where the distance between the centres of their areas of contact with the ground is equal to or less than 460 mm.</p>		

Figure 8-1-1. Examples of ABS warning light fault indication





# LVV THRESHOLD CHANGES

The majority of changes are to add clarity to how modern modifications should be treated.

The modifications of concern are the lifting of utes and 4wds, retuning and chipping of ECU's, wheels and tyres, and modifications that may affect high strength vehicle structure.

## 2-1 External Projections

All sections of this table to be updated as below follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section)

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Body kits and components (including utility canopies, plastic bumper skins and bonnet projections)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the fitting system does not weaken the vehicle structure (Note 1), and</li> <li>• no frontal impact components have been removed where the vehicle is required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3)</li> <li>• the kit or components do not present any external projections that could cause injury, to the occupants or pedestrians, or present a snagging/hooking risk to a vehicle or person, and</li> <li>• the performance of any lamps is not affected as a result of the fitting of the kit or components, and</li> <li>• the driver's vision has not been affected.</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1.</p>
<b>Side racks (for glass or other sheet materials)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there is no doubt as to the rack's load carrying capacity, and</li> <li>• the rack is secured without weakening the vehicle structure (Note 1), and,</li> <li>• no forward-facing pedestrian traps exist (Note 2), and               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the rack is designed and protected so that sharp or dangerous cargo cannot face directly forward projecting beyond the outside of the body.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1.</p>
<b>Bumper bar (removal and change)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3), and</li> <li>• does not weaken the vehicle structure (see Note 1), and</li> <li>• any changes to the bumper do not affect the performance of mudguards, or</li> <li>• A rear bumper bar has been replaced by a towbar crossmember.</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1.</p>
<b>Auxiliary bars (including bull bars, nudge bars, external roll cages and winches)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3)</li> <li>• The auxiliary bar:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ presents no pedestrian traps (Note 2), and</li> <li>○ is not angled forward except where necessary to clear the contours of the vehicle, and</li> <li>○ presents no sharp edges or an external radius of less than 3mm, and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The winch either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ does not protrude forward of the front face of the bumper, or</li> <li>○ does project forward of the bumper line but is fitted with 'pedestrian-friendly' shrouds to reduce trapping risk and present a larger forward-facing surface area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• the vehicle is required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard and the auxiliary bar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ is a vehicle manufacturer supplied component for that vehicle, or</li> <li>○ has been certified by the auxiliary bar manufacturer as frontal impact compliant (as may be indicated by a label)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note that an auxiliary bar that does not meet the above minimum requirements is unlikely to meet LVV requirements and so cannot be certified. See also Table 3-1-1</p>
<b>A-Frames</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The A-frame meets all of the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ is attached to the chassis by means other than welding, and</li> <li>○ the components are fit for purpose, and</li> <li>○ the brackets remaining on the vehicle when the A-frame is removed are recessed behind the forward surface of the bumper by no less than 20mm, and</li> <li>○ the brackets are fitted so that they do not bridge the vehicle's crumple zones, and</li> <li>○ the brackets are fitted so that they do not significantly stiffen the front of the vehicle.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1</p>
<b>Bonnet emblems or badges</b>	<p>The emblem or badge is designed and attached in such a way that it will fold back or break off in the event of contact, without leaving any sharp edges, or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the emblem or badge has no sharp edges, and is fitted flat to the bonnet with a thickness no more than 10mm</li> </ul>
<b>Bonnet pins</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3); and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the pins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have no sharp edges/are rounded with radius more than 3mm, and</li> <li>• do not present any external projections that could cause injury, to the occupants or pedestrians, and</li> <li>• do not present a snagging risk</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Ute Trays</b>	<p>For vehicles first registered in New Zealand <b>before 1 January 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the tray has no sharp edges and radiuses of not less than 3mm on every external edge, and</li> <li>No forward-facing pedestrian traps (Note 2) exist</li> </ul> <p>For vehicles first registered in New Zealand <b>on or after 1 January 2021</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The tray has no sharp edges and radiuses of not less than 3mm on every external edge, and</li> <li>no forward-facing pedestrian traps exist (Note 2), and</li> <li>the tray protrudes no more than 100mm from the widest part of the vehicle cab/body structure (excluding mirrors); or</li> <li>the forwards edges of the tray are tapered rearwards at an angle of no less than 30 degrees from the tray's front edge or have an equivalent, or better, form of pedestrian protection.</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1</p>
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Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required
<b>Aerials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>
<b>Roof Mounted Solar Panels</b>	
<b>Towbars</b>	
<b>Trunk Racks</b>	
<b>Roof-mounted wheelchair winch</b>	
<b>Roof racks (Except heavy PSVs)</b>	
<b>Additional or substituted rear-view mirrors</b>	
<b>Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services</b>	

**Note 1:** Heating, drilling, welding or cutting the vehicle structure, modifying a roof bow, or modifying any part of the structure anchorage would be considered to weaken the structure. Cutting a single layer of unstressed panel of sheet metal (i.e. roof) is not considered to weaken the vehicle structure. Drilling a hole suitable for a child restraint top tether does not require LVV certification.

**Note 2:** A pedestrian trap is any part of a vehicle that may hook, catch or pull/push a pedestrian into or under a vehicle. Vehicle components should be shaped to reduce injury to a pedestrian and to move the pedestrian away from the vehicle in the event of an incident.

**Note 3:**

The following vehicles with a GVM of 2500 kg or less are required to comply with such a standard:

- class MA motor vehicles manufactured from 1 March 1999, and
- class MA motor vehicles that were less than 20 years old when they were first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 April 2002, and
- class MB or MC motor vehicles manufactured from 1 October 2003.

## 3-1 Structure

These sections have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:

- Seatbelt anchorages retrofitted after 1 January 1992 in vehicles of classes MA, MB, MC or after 1 March 1999, in vehicles of other classes
- Front Mount Intercooler

Other section added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section):

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Addition of side windows into a panel van or goods van</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The modification was carried out before 1/3/1999, or</li> <li>• The modification was carried out on or after 1/3/1999, and the modification has not weakened the vehicle structure (Note 1).</li> </ul>
<b>Fibreglass replacement panels (that are substituted for OE panels)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No frontal impact components have been removed where the vehicle is required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note Frontal Impact), and</li> <li>• the OE panels being replaced do not contribute to the strength of the vehicle structure, including side impact resistance, and</li> <li>• the replacement panels use OE attachment points (bonnet hinges and latches must be OE or direct replacements).</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 2-1-1.</p>
<b>Campervan conversions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The conversion was completed before 1/3/1999, or</li> <li>• The conversion was completed on or after 1/3/1999, and               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no modifications were carried out to the cab rear wall, and</li> <li>○ modifications to the roof meet the following requirements:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only a single panel of sheet metal may be cut per roof opening, and</li> <li>▪ any bracing or structural elements have not been modified, and</li> <li>▪ no modifications are within 150mm of a seatbelt anchorage; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ no seats or seatbelt anchorages were retrofitted, or</li> </ul> </li> <li>• There is evidence of certification of the modification from the company that carried out the modification, i.e. a secondary certification plate or label in the case of a motorhome conversion (see <a href="#">Technical bulletin 13</a>).</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 7-1-1 and 7-5-1.</p>
<b>Aftermarket sunroof or roof vent/hatch</b>	The fitting has not weakened the vehicle structure (Note 1)
<b>Cargo hoist/cargo lift platform</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle is not adapted for the transportation of a person in a wheelchair, and the hoist or tail lifter is positioned to the rear of any vehicle occupants and adequately mounted, and</li> <li>• the vehicle structure has not been weakened (Note 1).</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 7-1-1</p>

<p><b>Suspension braces (strut braces) and underfloor/body braces</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there are no structural changes to the body or suspension mounting points and,</li> <li>• no cutting, heating or welding to the vehicle structure or suspension components is involved in the attachment of the brace, and</li> <li>• the brace is attached to existing chassis/suspension points with the correct grade bolts and exposed thread is showing through the nut/fastener</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 9-1-1</p>
<p><b>Stereo equipment and speakers</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any modification or fitting carried out before 1/1/1992</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to the rear parcel shelf:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no upper seatbelt anchorage is attached to the shelf or any shelf support bracket, and</li> <li>• in the case of a top tether point for a child seat attached to the rear shelf, the top tether point is not located within 150mm of a modification to a rear parcel shelf, and</li> <li>• the removal of any material from the rear shelf is minimal and is unlikely to have weakened the vehicle structure to which a seatbelt anchorage is attached.</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to a part of the vehicle other than the rear parcel shelf:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no structural material has been removed from within 300mm of a seatbelt anchorage, and</li> <li>• any material removed is minimal and is unlikely to have weakened the vehicle structure (including a seatbelt anchorage structure), and</li> <li>• The stereo equipment or speakers fitted in the passenger compartment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ present no additional risk of injury, and</li> <li>○ are securely fastened by mechanical means.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See also Table 7-1-1 and 7-5-1</p>
<p><b>Gear shift lever relocation</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no substantial modifications have occurred to the floor or gearbox tunnel area, other than provision for gear-shift mechanism, and</li> <li>• the relocation presents no additional risk of injury than OE specification</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 7-7-1</p>
<p><b>Auxiliary bars (including bull bars, nudge bars, external roll cages and winches)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3)</li> <li>• The auxiliary bar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ presents no pedestrian traps (Note 2), and</li> <li>○ is not angled forward except where necessary to clear the contours of the vehicle, and</li> <li>○ presents no sharp edges or an external radius of less than 3mm, and</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The winch either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ does not protrude forward of the front face of the bumper, or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Ute Trays</b>	<p>For vehicles registered in New Zealand on or after 1 January 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The fitting has not weakened the vehicle structure (Note 1); and the tray has no sharp edges and radiuses of not less than 3mm on every external edge,</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 2-1-1</p>
<b>Bumper bar (removal and change)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● the vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 3), and</li> <li>● Does not weaken the vehicle structure (Note 1)</li> <li>● Any changes to the bumper do not affect the performance of mudguards or</li> <li>● A rear bumper bar has been replaced by a towbar crossmember.</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 2-1-1.</p>
<b>Body Kits</b>	<p>Fitting, removal or modification does not weaken the vehicle structure (Note 1). See also Table 2-1-1.</p>
<b>Glass Racks</b>	<p>Fitting, removal or modification does not weaken the vehicle structure (Note 1). See also Table 2-1-1.</p>

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- class MA motor vehicles manufactured from 1 March 1999, and
- class MA motor vehicles that were less than 20 years old when they were first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 April 2002, and
- class MB or MC motor vehicles manufactured from 1 October 2003.

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required
Roof mounted solar panels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>
Towbars	
Roof racks	
Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services	

## 7-1 Seats and Seat anchorages

This section has have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:

- Aftermarket ‘Retro’ brand child seats designed for children 5–12 years old (up to 38kg)

Other section added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section):

<b>Seats – modification or replacement or installation of a seat anchorage after 1 March 1999</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The seat is of stressed type (see note 1) and is an unmodified OE seat sourced from the same make and model vehicle, and               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the seat is directly bolted to the original OE seat mounts and,</li> <li>○ no additional components or modifications are required for the fitting of the seat, and</li> <li>○ no airbag has been removed or disabled (see info sheet 07-2009 <a href="https://www.lvvta.org.nz/documents/infosheets/LVVTA_Info_07-2009_Removal_of_Side_Airbag-equipped_Seats.pdf">https://www.lvvta.org.nz/documents/infosheets/LVVTA_Info_07-2009_Removal_of_Side_Airbag-equipped_Seats.pdf</a>).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• the seat of unstressed type (see note 1) and is either an unmodified OE seat from another vehicle or of a known and reputable aftermarket brand, and               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no airbag has been removed or disabled, and</li> <li>○ the seat is fitted to unmodified OE seat anchorages, and</li> <li>○ the seatbelt anchorage or operation is not affected or moved, and</li> <li>○ the seat components (including brackets, runners and rails) are compatible with each other, i.e. they are either OE components</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<p>from a production vehicle or of a known and reputable aftermarket brand, and are not fitted together by welding, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the relationship between seat, seat occupant, front airbag and location of the seatbelt anchorages is not affected.</li> </ul> <p>Note LVV certification is not required where the only modification is the removal of seats and/or seatbelts. However, a class change, and a new load rating may be required in some cases.</p>
<b>Campervan conversions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The conversion was completed before 1/3/1999, or</li> <li>• The conversion was completed on or after 1/3/1999, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no modifications were carried out to the vehicle rear wall, and</li> <li>○ modifications to the roof meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only a single layer of sheet metal may be cut per roof opening, and</li> <li>▪ any bracing or structural elements have not been modified, and</li> <li>▪ no modifications are within 150mm of a seatbelt anchorage. and</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ no seats or seatbelt anchorages were retrofitted, or</li> </ul> </li> <li>• There is evidence of certification of the modification from the company that carried out the modification, i.e. a secondary certification plate or label in the case of a motorhome conversion (see <a href="#">Technical bulletin 13</a>).</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1 and Table 7-5-1</p>

**Note 1:** A stressed type seat is a seat to which a seatbelt is directly mounted to any of the components that make up the seat and seat frame. An unstressed seat has no seatbelt attachment point on either the seat or the seat frame (i.e. the seat belt is attached to a different part of the vehicle structure).

## 7-3 Head restraints

(modifications may have additional criteria in each section)

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Head restraint removal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A front head restraint must not be removed from a vehicle if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ there is a solid structure within 300mm behind the seat back; <b>or</b></li> <li>○ the vehicle is required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard (Note 1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• A rear head restraint must not be removed from a vehicle if there is a solid structure within 300mm behind the seat back.</li> </ul>
<b>Fitting of aftermarket LCD screens to head restraints</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the performance of the head restraint is not affected, i.e. the head restraint still provides sufficient padding for the seat occupant, and</li> <li>• the screen is fitted in a suitable manner, e.g. it appears similar to OE fitments in other vehicles, or</li> <li>• the screen can be easily attached or removed.</li> </ul>



Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required
<b>Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>

**Note 3:**

The following vehicles with a GVM of 2500 kg or less are required to comply with such a standard:

- class MA motor vehicles manufactured from 1 March 1999, and
- class MA motor vehicles that were less than 20 years old when they were first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 April 2002, and
- class MB or MC motor vehicles manufactured from 1 October 2003.

## 7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages

**Notes for Update: Sections listed below have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:**

- Seatbelts
- Top-tether anchorage for a child seat or harness

**Other sections added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section)**

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Stereo equipment and speakers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>any modification or fitting carried out before 1/1/1992</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to the rear parcel shelf:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>no upper seatbelt anchorage is attached to the shelf or any shelf support bracket, and</li> <li>in the case of a top tether point for a child seat attached to the rear shelf, the top tether point is not located within 150 mm of a modification to a rear parcel shelf, and</li> <li>the removal of any material from the rear shelf is minimal and is unlikely to have weakened the vehicle structure to which a seatbelt anchorage is attached.</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to a part of the vehicle other than the rear parcel shelf:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The fitting has not weakened the vehicle structure (See Note X)</li> <li>The stereo equipment or speakers fitted in the passenger compartment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ present no additional risk of injury, and</li> <li>○ are securely fastened by mechanical means.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Campervan conversions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The conversion was completed before 1/3/1999, or</li> <li>The conversion was completed on or after 1/3/1999, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no modifications were carried out to the vehicle rear wall, and</li> <li>○ modifications to the roof meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only a single layer of sheet metal may be cut per roof opening, and</li> <li>▪ any bracing or structural elements have not been modified, and</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ no modifications are within 150mm of a seatbelt anchorage, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ no seats or seatbelt anchorages were retrofitted, or</li> </ul> </li> <li>• There is evidence of certification of the modification from the company that carried out the modification, i.e. a secondary certification plate or label in the case of a motorhome conversion (see <a href="#">Technical bulletin 13</a>).</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1 and Table 7-7-1</p>
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Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
Rear seatbelts fitted to class MD1 and NA vehicles before 1 March 1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>
Removal of seatbelts (full or partial) where the seating position has been removed.	
Replacing a type R1 or R2 seatbelt with a webclamp R1 or R2 seatbelt (e.g. where Technical bulletin 5 applies)	
Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services	

## 7-7 Interior Impact

These sections have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:

- Disability adaptive controls
- Additional and substituted items such as instruments, switches, cellphone installations and navigation equipment or an OE item from another vehicle

Other sections added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section)

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
Cargo hoist/cargo lift platform (fitted inside the vehicle)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle is not adapted for the transportation of a person in a wheelchair, and the hoist or tail lifter is positioned to the rear of any vehicle occupants and adequately mounted and,</li> <li>• the vehicle structure has not been weakened.</li> <li>• See also Table 3-1-1.</li> </ul>
Stereo equipment and speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any modification or fitting carried out before 1/1/1992</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to the rear parcel shelf:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no upper seatbelt anchorage is attached to the shelf or any shelf support bracket, and</li> <li>• in the case of a top tether point for a child seat attached to the rear shelf, the top tether point is not located within 150 mm of a modification to a rear parcel shelf, and</li> <li>• the removal of any material from the rear shelf is minimal and is unlikely to have weakened the vehicle structure to which a seatbelt anchorage is attached.</li> </ul> <p>If fitted to a part of the vehicle other than the rear parcel shelf:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The fitting has not weakened the vehicle structure (See Note 3)</li> <li>• The stereo equipment or speakers fitted in the passenger compartment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ present no additional risk of injury, and</li> <li>○ are securely fastened by mechanical means.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1 and 7-5-1.</p>
<b>Steering wheels</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle does not have an airbag installed as OE, and</li> <li>• the vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard* (Note 1); and</li> <li>• the steering wheel is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a direct substitute, without steering column shaft modification, and</li> <li>○ a non-OE item of a reputable brand or an OE item from another vehicle, and</li> <li>○ is mounted with a one-piece boss** (Note 2), and</li> <li>○ has a diameter greater than 245mm, and</li> <li>○ does not significantly inhibit the drivers view of the speedometer or mandatory warning lights.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* A vehicle that cannot comply with this clause cannot be LVV certified unless it has been issued with an LVV authority card or is at least 14 years old.  ** A vehicle fitted with a quick release steering wheel must always be referred for LVV certification and is only permitted within strict criteria  See also Table 9-1-1</p>
<b>Gear shift lever relocation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no substantial modifications have occurred to the floor or gearbox tunnel area, other than provision for gear-shift mechanism, and</li> <li>• the relocation presents no additional risk of injury than OE specification</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 3-1-1</p>
<b>Cargo barriers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• each seating position, within 300mm of the cargo barrier, is fitted with an effective head restraint, and</li> <li>• the cargo barriers are positioned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– behind, following a plane extending upward, parallel to the back of the backrest on the rear-most seat, and</li> <li>– in such a way that the head restraint would provide protection from head contact with any cargo barrier section during a crash.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Roll-bar or roll-cage structures (roll protection or cosmetic)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• each seating position is fitted with an effective head restraint, and</li> <li>• the bars are positioned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– behind, following a plane extending upward, parallel to the back of the backrest on the rear-most seat, and</li> <li>– in such a way that the head restraint would provide protection from head contact with any bar section during a crash.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Aftermarket brake pedal pads or covers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the fitment of the pads or covers does not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– necessitate any modification to the pedal arm, or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>– affect the safe operation of the brake pedal or other pedals (e.g. a brake pad or cover significantly wider than the original brake pad may not be acceptable, depending on fitment) See also Table 8-1-1</p>
<p><b>Aftermarket or custom brake pedal extensions (for unusually short people)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The extension: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– does not exceed 100mm length when measured from the surface of the original brake pedal, and</li> <li>– is securely clamped to the original pedal by mechanical means, and</li> <li>– is sufficiently strong and rigid to withstand emergency brake loads, and</li> <li>– does not involve any modification to, or compromise the strength of, the original brake pedal, and</li> <li>– does not significantly change the sideways load or leverage against the pedal, and</li> <li>– does not significantly increase the weight of the pedal</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See also Table 8-1-1</p>
<p><b>Additional brake and accelerator pedals (for driving school vehicles)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The operation of the primary brake pedal is not affected, and</li> <li>• no modifications to the primary brake pedal or any other part of the primary brake system has occurred, and</li> <li>• adequate clearance is maintained between all pedals.</li> </ul> <p>See also Table 8-1-1</p>

**Note 1:**

The following vehicles with a GVM of 2500 kg or less are required to comply with such a standard:

- class MA motor vehicles manufactured from 1 March 1999, and
- class MA motor vehicles that were less than 20 years old when they were first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 April 2002, and
- class MB or MC motor vehicles manufactured from 1 October 2003.

## 8-1 Service Brake and Parking Brake

These sections have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:

- Aftermarket or custom brake pedal extensions (for unusually short people)
- Additional brake pedals (for driving school vehicles)
- Removal of secondary accelerator and brake system (where driving school vehicle is converted to single primary system)
- Disability parking brake system

Other sections added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section)

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
Aftermarket brake pedal pads or covers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the fitment of the pads or covers does not:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– necessitate any modification to the pedal arm, or</li> <li>– affect the safe operation of the brake pedal or other pedals (e.g. a brake pad or cover significantly wider than the original brake pad may not be acceptable, depending on fitment).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> See also Table 7-1-1
Brake Rotors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rotors are direct OE replacements, or</li> <li>• After market substitute brake rotors are:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the same size as the OE rotors, and</li> <li>○ catalogued aftermarket items for that make and model of vehicle (and can include cross-drilled and/or slotted types), and</li> <li>○ attached to unmodified OE parts, and</li> <li>○ not modified in anyway</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Brake Lines/Hoses (including stainless steel braided brake hoses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brake lines or hoses are direct replacements; and</li> <li>• the lines or hoses are fitted using all OE mounts.</li> </ul> Note: Flexible hose end fittings must be crimped to the hose

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required
Brake Linings/Pads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>
Any modifications for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services	

## 9-1 Steering and Suspension

All sections of this table have been updated. Note that “Larger Diameter anti-sway bar” and “Addition of Anti-sway bar” have been combined.

(modifications may have additional criteria in each section)

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Steering wheel spinner to assist in the operation of the steering wheel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The spinner is contained within the outer circumference of the steering wheel, and</li> <li>• The spinner does not interfere with the operation of a fitted airbag, and</li> <li>• The operation of an airbag will not detach the spinner from the steering wheel.</li> </ul>
<b>Right-hand drive steering conversions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the conversion can be proven via documented evidence to have been carried out prior to 1 August 1990, or</li> <li>• the conversion was carried out between 1 August 1990 and 1 March 1999 and an approved conversion agent’s individually numbered plate is attached to the vehicle structure.</li> </ul>
<b>Steering wheels</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the vehicle does not have an airbag installed as OE, and</li> <li>• the vehicle is not required to comply with a frontal impact occupant protection standard* (Note 1), and</li> <li>• the steering wheel is:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a direct substitute, without steering column shaft modification, and</li> <li>○ a non-OE item of a reputable brand or an OE item from another vehicle, and</li> <li>○ is mounted with a one-piece boss**), and</li> <li>○ has a diameter greater than 245mm, and</li> <li>○ does not significantly inhibit the drivers view of the speedometer or mandatory warning lights.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* A vehicle that cannot comply with this clause cannot be LVV certified unless it has been issued with an LVV authority card or is at least 14 years old.</p> <p>** A vehicle fitted with a quick release steering wheel must always be referred for LVV certification and is only permitted within strict criteria</p>
<b>Springs and shock absorbers (Including modification of ride height)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the springs or shock absorbers are direct replacements, and</li> <li>• replacement springs are contained within unmodified OE seats throughout full suspension travel (Note 2), and</li> <li>• replacement springs are self-retaining in their seats at full extension, without the use of non-standard devices such as wire-ties, straps, or external spring locators, and</li> <li>• replacement springs have not been heated or cut, and</li> <li>• springs and spring seats are not height adjustable by any means (unless OE) (Note 3), and</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replacement shock absorbers, including air-adjustable units, fit unmodified OE mountings (Note 2), and</li> <li>• suspension maintains sufficient travel for safe operation (See Note 4), and</li> <li>• suspension components maintain sufficient clearance from unmodified bump stops when fully laden (See Note 5), and</li> <li>• Suspension retains at least 40mm of rebound (droop) wheel travel (See Note 6), and</li> <li>• a minimum of 100mm ground clearance (unladen and without driver) exists below any part of the vehicle structure, or any steering, braking or suspension component (Note 7) and</li> <li>• the normal relationship between front and rear suspension height is not unduly affected, and</li> <li>• Clearance is maintained between all components, when tested from lock to lock at full droop.</li> </ul>
<b>Blocks for leaf springs to adjust their ride height (up or down)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the leaf spring suspension has not been raised by any other means, and</li> <li>• the leaf spring blocks are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– securely fitted, and</li> <li>– constructed from metal, and</li> <li>– designed for the purpose, and</li> <li>– firmly seated over not less than the OE seat area, and</li> <li>– not more than 50mm in height, and</li> <li>– located using the same method as original (assessment of location method is only required where visible without dismantling)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Addition of anti-sway bar or uprated anti-sway bar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the bar is attached to OE mounting points, and</li> <li>• the bar and its fittings are catalogued items for the make and model of vehicle, and</li> <li>• no cutting, drilling, heating or welding to the vehicle structure or suspension components is involved in the fitting of the bar.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Removal or reduction/downrating of an antisway bar always requires certification</p>
<b>Suspension braces (strut braces) and underfloor/body braces</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there are no structural changes to the body or suspension mounting points and,</li> <li>• no cutting, heating or welding to the vehicle structure or suspension components is involved in the attachment of the brace, and</li> <li>• the brace is attached to existing chassis/suspension points with the correct grade bolts and exposed thread is showing through the nut/fastener</li> </ul>
<b>Eccentric bolts/bushes for adjustability of wheel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the bolts/bushes are:</li> </ul>



<b>alignment (e.g. for camber correction in association with lowered suspensions)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- designed as a means of correcting or improving wheel alignment; and</li> <li>- catalogued aftermarket items for the make and model of vehicle.</li> </ul>
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**Note 1:**

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- o class MA motor vehicles manufactured from 1 March 1999, and
- o class MA motor vehicles that were less than 20 years old when they were first registered in New Zealand on or after 1 April 2002, and
- o class MB or MC motor vehicles manufactured from 1 October 2003.

**Note 2**

Strut or spring spacers always require certification

**Note 3**

The only other allowable methods of adjusting vehicle ride height without LVV certification are leaf spring blocks (as per below requirements) or adjustment of OE equipment (torsion bars or OE adjustable air suspension).

**Note 4**

When determining if there is sufficient travel remaining, consider a case where the vehicle is laden and in use.

**Note 5**

Sufficient clearance must be maintained from the travel-limiting bump stop (not an O.E spring aid). The spring aid and/or bump stop must not be modified. A spring aid is a low-density conformable material that is fitted inside a coil spring or above a leaf spring by a vehicle manufacturer to assist the spring and acts as the bump stop only once it is fully compressed. The spring aid may be contacted at any loading condition to increase the vehicle's spring rate, but the vehicle must retain sufficient wheel travel as per Note 4. A bump stop is a small high-density rubber bumper that is designed to stop vehicle suspension or driveline components from coming into contact with the vehicle structure at the extremes of its suspension travel and is not designed to carry the load of the vehicle for sustained periods of time.

**Note 6**

Rebound wheel travel should be measured as the difference between the distance from the top of the tyre and the wheel arch with the vehicle resting on the ground and the top of the tyre to the wheel arch with the vehicle lifted so that its tyres are clear of the ground (Suspension hanging in full rebound). This difference must be greater than 40mm.

**Note 7**

Does not include such items as exhaust pipes and exterior body panels that do not contribute to the structural strength of the vehicle.

## 10-1 Tyres and wheels

All sections updated (modifications may have additional criteria in each section).

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Wheels</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the wheels:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ are of a known and reputable brand, and</li> <li>○ would be considered an appropriate fitment for the vehicle type by the wheel manufacturer, and</li> <li>○ are not modified, and</li> <li>○ do not have spacers or adaptors fitted, and</li> <li>○ have a load rating acceptable for the axle rating (or vehicle GVM where axle rating is not available)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: Where the wheel load rating is not visible a note should be made on the WoF/CoF checksheet and the operator should be informed to have the load rating checked. Insufficient load rating is only a reason for rejection if the load rating is visible and not sufficient.</p>
<b>Tyres</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the tyres:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– have an outer circumference that is no more than 5% greater than OE, and</li> <li>– are an appropriate selection for rim width (see <a href="https://www.lvvta.org.nz/documents/infosheets/LVVTA_Info_01-2009_V3_Tyre_Size_to_Wheel_Size_Compatibility_Guide.pdf">https://www.lvvta.org.nz/documents/infosheets/LVVTA_Info_01-2009_V3_Tyre_Size_to_Wheel_Size_Compatibility_Guide.pdf</a>, and</li> <li>– have a load rating suitable for the axle (or vehicle where axle mass is not available)</li> <li>– have a speed rating suitable for the vehicle</li> </ul> </li> <li>• the tyre tread does not protrude beyond:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– in the case of a vehicle that <b>is not</b> a class NA or class MC vehicle, the unmodified original body panels or factory fitted mudguard extension/flare; or</li> <li>– in the case of an class NA or class MC vehicle, 25mm outside of the unmodified original body panels, provided that a flare or wheel arch extension covers the full width of the tyre tread.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note: an original full-size spare wheel/tyre can be used for comparison of tyre size</p>

## 10-3 Mudguards

(modifications may have additional criteria in each section).

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Mudguards and mudguard extensions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A mudguard has not been cut during modification, and</li> <li>• modified mudguards or extensions have no sharp protrusions, and</li> <li>• mudguard extensions are securely attached to the vehicle, and</li> <li>• the mudguard/mud flap is no less effective than OE.</li> </ul> <p>Note 1: Mudguards flared via rolling do not require certification.</p>

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required
<b>Any modification for the purposes of law enforcement or the provision of emergency services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-service requirements for condition and performance must be met.</li> </ul>

## 13-1 Engine and transmission

These sections have not changed and should be retained as per the current VIRM threshold:

- Gearbox substitution
- Change from 4WD to permanent 2WD

Others added/updated as follows (modifications may have additional criteria in each section).

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Substitution of engines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When compared with the OE engine, the replacement engine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>is of the same or less cubic capacity, and</li> <li>has equal or less weight, and</li> <li>uses the same fuel (petrol, diesel, LPG, CNG), and</li> <li>uses the same unmodified attachment points and system (i.e. bolts-in), and</li> <li>uses the same family of block and cylinder head from the same vehicle manufacturer, and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the block has the same number of cylinders arranged in the same configuration, and</li> <li>the head has the same number of valves and camshafts, and</li> </ul> </li> <li>meets the requirements of minor modifications detailed below, and</li> <li>when the minor modifications have been taken into consideration the total power or torque increase is no more than 20% over the O.E engine specification.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Minor engine modifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the total modifications (including engine substitutions) are minor, resulting in no more than a 20% power or 20% torque output increase over the OE engine specification,</li> </ul> <p>Note that common minor modifications include the fitting of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extractor or free-flow exhaust manifolds, or big bore exhaust systems</li> <li>changed intake manifolds</li> <li>changed or multiple carburettors</li> <li>modified fuel injection systems</li> <li>changed ignition systems</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• alternative cold air box induction systems.</li> </ul> <p>Note that minor modifications <b>DO NOT</b> include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• fitting of a supercharger, or</li> <li>• fitting of a turbocharger, or</li> <li>• upgrading/modifying the supercharger, or</li> <li>• upgrading/modifying the turbocharger, or</li> <li>• upgrading/modifying the wastegate, or</li> <li>• tuning/re-chipping (Note 1) the ECU of a turbocharged or supercharged engine, or</li> <li>• single camshaft to twin camshaft, or</li> <li>• carburettor to injectors, or</li> <li>• injectors to carburettor, or</li> <li>• stroker kit, or</li> <li>• any other capacity increase that exceeds usual reconditioning.</li> </ul>
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Note 1: Tuning/Re-chipping includes any software or hardware (ECU or piggy back system) change that is intended to alter the fuelling, boost pressure or ignition timing from the OE specifications.

## 13-2 Fuel System

Existing single line table to be replaced with below three items

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Fuel Lines</b>	<p>The fuel lines are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• of similar construction to the OE fuel lines (i.e. Hard lines are not replaced with flexible lines); and</li> <li>• in the OE location and mounted to all the OE fixing clips</li> </ul>
<b>In-line fuel filter</b>	<p>The in-line fuel filter is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• of an appropriate pressure rating, and</li> <li>• adequately supported, and</li> <li>• at least 50mm from the exhaust, and</li> <li>• at least 100mm from a catalytic converter.</li> </ul>
<b>Electric fuel pump</b>	<p>The electric fuel pump:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is a replacement for a mechanical pump on a carburettor engine, and</li> <li>• is adequately supported, and</li> <li>• does not increase the fuel pressure above OE</li> </ul>

Note: All other fuel system modifications require certification

## 13-5 Electric and Hybrid vehicle electrical system

All sections updated

Fitting of or modification to:	LVV certification not required provided that:
<b>Fuel system</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See fuel system requirements in <a href="#">Table 13-2-1</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> LVV certification is <b>always</b> required for changes to the high voltage electrical system.</p>