

It is the responsibility of the owner or importer to ensure the vehicle complies with New Zealand regulations.

Use this form to apply for an exemption from legal requirements which usually apply to vehicles. We consider applications under sections 168D and 168E of the Land Transport Act 1998.

NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) doesn't automatically grant exemptions. When we review your application, the act requires we consider the following questions.

- Would granting this exemption maintain or improve land transport safety?
- Would it contribute to an effective, efficient and safe land transport system in the public interest?
- Does it support the response to an emergency or other event?
- Is there any other matter we consider relevant in the circumstances?

We may impose conditions

The exemption we grant can't be any broader than it needs to be. This means we may impose conditions and/or only grant your exemption for a specific period.

Reasons we might decline your application

We may decline your application or revoke your exemption if you provide false or misleading information, or you don't give us all the information we ask for.

The law doesn't allow us to grant exemptions because of inconvenience or hardship.

False or misleading information

Providing false or misleading information is an offence. It may lead to court action, which could result in a fine or conviction.

Privacy

The information is required to process an application for an exemption under sections 168D and 168E of the Land Transport Act 1998. All information contained in your application will be held by NZTA and treated as confidential subject to the Official Information Act 1982 and the Privacy Act 2020.

Under the Privacy Act 2020, you have the right to request access to and correction of any personal information you supply as a part of this application process from NZTA. Should you wish to exercise these rights please contact NZ Transport Agency, Private Bag 11777, Palmerston North 4442 or email info@nzta.govt.nz

Fees and payment

The fee is non-refundable, even if we decline your application.

The fee for processing a *Application for an exemption from land transport vehicle rules* is \$50.60.

We'll send you an invoice with payment details and instructions.

Please make sure you fill in the 'Payer details' section of this form to ensure we send the invoice to the correct person/organisation.

Sending us your application

Scan the completed form and any required documentation and email to:

- exemptions@nzta.govt.nz (light vehicles)
- hvexemptions@nzta.govt.nz (heavy vehicles).

Applications must be emailed.

Contact us

If you want to contact us about your application, or provide additional supporting information, email us at the appropriate address above.

Applicant details

Applicant name

Postal address

Phone number (daytime)

Mobile number

Email address

Vehicle details

Make

Year of manufacture

Model

Model code

VIN/chassis number

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Vehicle class (eg MA, NB, LE)

Date of first registration

Country where vehicle was first assembled/manufactured

Country from which vehicle was imported (if imported)

Payer details

Name to invoice to (person or registered company)

Postal address for invoice

Email address to send invoice

Phone number

Exemption details and background

Please research the relevant rules online and let us know the section of that rule you're applying for an exemption from or contact an approved entry inspecting organisation for advice.

nzta.govt.nz/rules

nzta.govt.nz/entry-certification#find-a-certifier

Exemption required from the following rules, tick any that apply:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Door retention systems | <input type="checkbox"/> 12 Seats and seat anchorages |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 External projections | <input type="checkbox"/> 13 Steering systems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Frontal impact | <input type="checkbox"/> 14 Tyres and wheels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Glazing, windscreen wipe and wash, and mirrors | <input type="checkbox"/> 15 Vehicles dimensions and mass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Heads restraints | <input type="checkbox"/> 16 Vehicle equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Heavy vehicles | <input type="checkbox"/> 17 Vehicle exhaust emissions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Heavy-vehicle brakes | <input type="checkbox"/> 18 Vehicle lighting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Interior impact | <input type="checkbox"/> 19 Vehicle standards compliance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9 Light-vehicle brakes | <input type="checkbox"/> 20 Left-hand drive |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 Passenger service vehicles | <input type="checkbox"/> 21 Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages | |

Before importation, what steps were taken to determine if the vehicle would meet New Zealand requirements?

If imported, what is your reasoning for importing a non-compliant vehicle?

Please list the reasons why the vehicle cannot be modified to comply with the rule.

Is there any other information you'd like to provide that's relevant to your application?

Make sure you've covered off all our questions from page 1 if you can.

- How does your vehicle meet or exceed current standards and requirements?
- What is the intended use of the vehicle?
- What clauses/ sections of what rules are you applying for an exemption from?

Required documentation

- Pictures of the vehicle (the whole vehicle, the vehicle identifiers and the specific area affected).
- For **dimensional exemptions**, an accurate drawing of the affected area of the vehicle.
- For **standards exemptions**, proof of the standards the vehicle does meet.

Declaration

I have read and understood the relevant information on this form and I state that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- all the information I've given for this application is correct, and
- I've provided all information relevant to this application.

Applicant's signature

Date