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Extract taken from: PRS & QMS > PRS: Light vehicle repair certification > Technical part > Vehicle identification

1 Vehicle identification

Requirements

	What the Transport Agency expects of you	How the Transport Agency will assess your performance
1.1.1	<p>Correct technical decisions</p> <p>You thoroughly inspect all evidence of vehicle identification and correctly determine whether it complies with all Transport Agency requirements, taking into account technical information provided by the Transport Agency such as the VIRM: Light vehicle repair certification.</p>	<p>The Transport Agency will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • talk to you • observe you at work • inspect vehicles which you have certified • inspect inspection and certification documents you use and complete • inspect information you enter into the Transport Agency computer system. <p>The Transport Agency may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • take into account outcomes from complaints, random re-inspections and ‘mystery shopper’ exercises since your last review.
1.1.2	<p>Technical competence</p>	

1.1.3

Technical equipment

You have:

- a hand-held inspection lamp.

The equipment is in good condition and working order.

The Transport Agency will inspect your technical equipment.

Scores

	Score			
	0	1	2	3
1.1.1	<p>Correct technical decisions</p>			
	<p>You do not thoroughly inspect all evidence of vehicle identification or correctly determine whether it complies with all Transport Agency requirements.</p> <p>The area of non-compliance is significant.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a vehicle identification number has not been read from the VIN plate, or • a vehicle's VIN or chassis number is missing, or has obviously been unlawfully affixed or tampered with. 	<p>You do not thoroughly inspect all evidence of vehicle identification or correctly determine whether it complies with all Transport Agency requirements.</p> <p>The area of non-compliance is somewhat important.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a vehicle's VIN or chassis number is damaged or obscured beyond recognition. 	<p>You do not thoroughly inspect all evidence of vehicle identification or correctly determine whether it complies with all Transport Agency requirements.</p> <p>The area of non-compliance is minor.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a vehicle's VIN or chassis number is damaged or obscured but still readable. 	<p>You thoroughly inspect all evidence of vehicle identification and correctly determine whether it complies with all Transport Agency requirements.</p>
1.1.2	<p>Technical competence</p>			

<p>You demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • some competence in the technical aspects relating to vehicle identification. <p>This means there are significant gaps in your knowledge of, or skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the assessment of vehicle identification, or • the Transport Agency requirements (including VIRM requirements) relating to vehicle identification, or • Transport Agency guidelines relating to vehicle identification, or • the operation of the equipment you use for assessing vehicle identification. 	<p>You demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adequate competence in the technical aspects relating to vehicle identification. <p>This means there are minor gaps in your knowledge of, or skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the assessment of vehicle identification, or • the Transport Agency requirements (including VIRM requirements) relating to vehicle identification, or • Transport Agency guidelines relating to vehicle identification, or • the operation of the equipment you use for assessing vehicle identification. 	<p>You can demonstrate comprehensive competence in the technical aspects relating to vehicle identification, including their compliance with Land Transport Rules.</p> <p>This means you can demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of, and skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the assessment of vehicle identification • the Transport Agency requirements (including VIRM requirements) relating to vehicle identification • Transport Agency guidelines relating to vehicle identification • the operation of the equipment you use for inspecting vehicle identification.
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<p>1.1.3</p>	<p>Technical equipment</p>			
	<p>Not all of the specified equipment is available. Where equipment is available, some or all of it is not in working order.</p>	<p>All specified equipment is available and in working order, but some or all of it is in poor condition.</p>	<p>All specified equipment is available, in working order and in at least adequate condition.</p>	<p>All specified equipment is available and in good condition and working order.</p>