

1 April 2023 (WoF and CoF)

VIRM: In-service certification (WoF and CoF) amendment - effective 1 April 2023

[1 April 2023 amendment preview](#)

Section	Change description
Introduction	
5 Inspection premises and equipment	We are removing mechanical portable brake decelerometers from the approved brake testing equipment list in the VIRM. They're no longer fit for purpose due to their inability to record and store brake test data and indicate average brake efficiency for the test vehicle as requested in the brake rules.
General vehicles and Light PSVs	
5-1 Glazing	<p>Due to the conflicting statements between the VIRM and the Repair Rule (32012) or NZ Standard (AS/NZS 2366:1 1999), VIs are rejecting repairs that are certified by authorised repairers that are acceptable.</p> <p>To reduce confusion, we're simplifying the wording in the VIRM for repairs inside the Critical Vision Area (CVA).</p>
General trailers	
5-1 Service brake, parking brake and breakaway brake	We're updating the recommended method of checking light trailer brakes in compliance with the Land Transport Rule: Light-Vehicle Brakes 2002 that was approved in November 2021.
Heavy vehicles	
8-1 Service brake, parking brake and heavy vehicle emergency brake	From 1 April 2023 vehicles with Cardan shaft park brakes must display a warning sticker in a place visible to the driver.
Modification and repair - heavy vehicle changes	
A large number of pages are being updated regarding what's acceptable for presenting LT400s at a CoF inspection	
Introduction	
3-1 Duties and responsibilities	

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Heavy vehicles	
<p><u>3-1 Structure</u></p> <p><u>5-1 Glazing</u></p> <p><u>7-1 Seats and seat anchorages</u></p> <p><u>7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages</u></p> <p><u>7-6 Frontal impact airbags</u></p> <p><u>9-1 Steering and suspension systems</u></p> <p><u>10-1 Tyres and wheels</u></p> <p><u>10-2 Hubs and axles</u></p> <p><u>12-2 Towbar</u></p> <p><u>12-3 Drawbeam</u></p> <p><u>12-5 Heavy vehicle fifth wheel or ball coupling (for towing a semi-trailer)</u></p> <p><u>13-1 Engine and transmission</u></p> <p><u>14-1 Load anchorages</u></p> <p><u>14-2 Stock crates and stock crate retention devices</u></p> <p><u>14-3 Log bolsters</u></p>	
Heavy passenger service vehicles	
<p><u>3-2 Stability</u></p> <p><u>3-3 Heavy PSV roof racks</u></p> <p><u>5-1 Glazing</u></p> <p><u>7-1 Seats and seat anchorages</u></p> <p><u>7-6 Frontal impact airbags</u></p> <p><u>10-1 Tyres and wheels</u></p> <p><u>10-2 Hubs and axles</u></p>	
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<u>8-4 Drawbeam</u>	
<u>8-6 Heavy vehicle fifth wheel or ball coupling (for towing a semi-trailer)</u>	
<u>8-7 Heavy vehicle kingpin or socket coupling (for towing a semi-trailer)</u>	
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<u>10-3 Log bolsters</u>	