

Motor Vehicle Registry Information Bulletin

V74 Re-registration of a Repairable Write-off

Introduction

The Northern Territory (NT) Written-off Vehicle Register (WOVR) has been introduced as part of a national drive against vehicle theft and is aimed at reducing the number of stolen vehicles that could possibly be registered with false identification obtained from wrecked vehicles.

This Information Bulletin provides general information relating to requirements that must be met before re-registration of a repairable write-off will be considered in the NT.

Note: Vehicles that have been assessed and recorded as a Statutory Write-off are suitable for wrecking only and will not be re-registered.

For further information regarding the Written-off Vehicle Register (WOVR) and classifications of written-off vehicles, refer to the Department's Information Bulletin V54, "NT Written-off Vehicle Register (WOVR)", which can be accessed through the following web link:

<http://www.nt.gov.au/transport/mvr/vehiclestandards/infobulletins/ibv54.pdf>

Inspection Requirements

The following inspection process has been established to determine the identification of the repaired vehicle, the origin of any parts used to repair the vehicle and to ensure the vehicle has been repaired to relevant standards.

A repairable written-off vehicle must satisfy all of the following 3 criteria to obtain NT registration.

1. Roadworthy Inspection

The vehicle must pass a full roadworthy inspection. Any repair work undertaken will also be inspected during this inspection.

2. Vehicle Identity Validation (VIV) Inspection

The vehicle must pass a comprehensive VIV inspection conducted by the Motor Vehicle Registry (MVR).

The vehicle is required to be left with MVR for the duration of the inspection. The vehicle owner will be notified upon inspection completion.

Note: Generally, the inspection will be completed on the same day.

The VIV inspection will be conducted at one of the following locations:

- Darwin MVR Vehicle Standards Centre – Goyder Road Darwin
- Katherine MVR Weighbridge - South Stuart Highway (5km south of Katherine)
- Alice Springs MVR Vehicle Standards Centre – North Stuart Highway

Note: For vehicles located outside of these regions, please contact the MVR.

3. Stolen Motor Vehicle (SMV) Check

The vehicle must clear a SMV check performed by the NT Police.

Note: Police may require further inspection of the vehicle.

Documentation Requirements

Specific documentation may be required by the inspecting officer to validate the integrity and quality of the repair and the authenticity of the components used for the repair.

To avoid delays in the assessment and inspection process, the vehicle owner should consider gathering specific documentation in support of the vehicle repair prior to presenting the vehicle.

When specific documentation is requested at the time the vehicle is presented for inspection, it must contain specific details as outlined below:

(a) Documentation for a Roadworthy Inspection

The following documentation may be required to verify the structural integrity and quality of repairs carried out on the vehicle:

- Photographic Evidence (of the repairs);
- Wheel Alignment Report;
- Structural Repair Certification;
- Vehicle Safety Devices and Systems Certification;
- Engineering Certification.

Note: *Repair work that involves the repair and/or replacement of panels/components that are not attached by a means of fasteners (i.e. bolts or similar) will be treated as structural repairs. Further information regarding such repairs can be found in the Department's Information Bulletin V31 – Repair or Welding of Vehicle Components, a link to which is below;*

<http://www.nt.gov.au/transport/mvr/vehiclestandards/infobulletins/ibv31.pdf>

(b) Documentation for a VIV Inspection

The following documentation may be required to verify the identity of the vehicle and any parts used in its repair.

(b1) Proof of Ownership

Provide original receipts for the purchase of the vehicle.

The receipts must include:

- Name and address of the person/business that sold the damaged vehicle;
- The ABN of the business (if applicable) that sold the damaged vehicle;
- Date of purchase;
- Purchase price, and
- Vehicle, make, model, month and year of manufacture, Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and registration number (if applicable).

(b2) Original Receipts for Parts Used

Provide original receipts for the purchase of components used in the repair.

The receipts must include:

- Name and address of the person/business that sold the parts;
- The ABN of the business (if applicable) that sold the parts;
- Date of purchase;
- Purchase price;
- Description of component/s including vehicle type (e.g. Ford, Holden, Toyota etc), left/right, front/rear, inner/outer, and
- Where second hand parts are used, the donor vehicle's VIN number/s.

(b3) Original Receipts for the Repair of the Vehicle by a Business

The original receipts must include:

- o Name, address and ABN of the business that repaired the damaged vehicle;
- o Date of repairs;
- o Name and address of the owner of the damaged vehicle;
- o Identification of the vehicle being repaired, i.e. make, model, month and year of manufacture, VIN number and registration number (if applicable), and
- o All repairs undertaken and replacement parts fitted in the repair (where second hand parts are used, the donor vehicle's VIN number/s must be included on the receipt).

(b4) Repairs Carried Out by Individuals

Where the vehicle has been repaired by a person other than a registered business, and repair receipts are not generated, a Statutory Declaration may be required.

The Statutory Declaration must include:

- o Name and address of the person/s who has repaired the damaged vehicle;
- o Date of repairs;
- o Name and address of the owner of the damaged vehicle;
- o Identification of vehicle being repaired i.e. make, model, month and year of manufacture, VIN number and registration number (if applicable);
- o A detail of repairs undertaken, and
- o A detailed list of parts fitted during the repair (will require original receipts for parts, including the donor vehicle's VIN number/s where second hand parts are used).

(c) Documentation for a SMV Check

Evidence of identity is required from the owner of the written-off vehicle and the person presenting the vehicle for re-registration (where that person is not the owner).

For further information on Evidence of Identity, refer to Information Bulletin G08 "Evidence of Identity and Evidence of Residency for Individuals" – a link to which is below;

<http://www.nt.gov.au/transport/mvr/general/infobulletins/ibq08.pdf>

The evidence of identity, along with any documentation supplied for the registration and VIV inspections will be referred to the Police for assessment.

Note: *Police may request additional documentation*

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