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Compliance Inspections for Registration of New Rigid Trucks (Greater than 4.5 to 24.0 Tonne GVM)

Background

There is a mandatory requirement that all vehicles, including rigid trucks greater than 4.5 tonne GVM, seeking to establish registration in the NT must undergo a Compliance Inspection.

A Compliance Inspection is an inspection that validates the identity of the vehicle.

Previously, the function of a Compliance Inspection was only carried out by Transport Inspectors. The Registrar of Motor Vehicles has now approved suitably appointed persons to conduct Compliance Inspections (H) for factory new rigid trucks with a GVM up to (and including) 24.0 tonne.

Entry Requirements

New Vehicle Dealers seeking appointment of suitably qualified staff must:

- Be the holder of a current Licensed Motor Vehicle Dealer Licence issued by the Department of Justice-Consumer and Business Affairs.
- Be retailing factory new rigid trucks up to (and including) 24.0 tonne GVM.

New or suitably qualified persons seeking appointment to undertake Compliance Inspections (H) on factory new rigid trucks up to (and including) 24.0 tonne GVM must complete Form VS4 *"Application for Appointment as an Authorised Inspector"* and meet the necessary administrative requirements.

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Administrative and Appointment Process

“C” Category Authorisation

Authorised Inspectors with “C” category authorisation (vehicles greater than 4.5 tonne GVM) may be appointed to undertake Compliance Inspections (H) on factory new rigid trucks up to (and including) 24.0 tonne GVM without having to complete any other administrative process.

Without “C” Category Authorisation

Authorised Inspectors **without** “C” category authorisation, but are authorised for another vehicle category, are required to meet the necessary administrative process (i.e. exams) to gain “C” category authorisation.

With “H” Category Authorisation

Authorised Inspectors **with** “H” category authorisation may undertake Compliance Inspections on factory new rigid trucks not greater than 4.5 tonne GVM without having to complete any other administrative process.

Once the Authorised Inspector has met all the necessary requirements of the administrative process (if any), the Authorised Officer is to prepare an “Instrument of Appointment” for the Delegated Officer to approve. When approved, the Authorised Officer is to add the appropriate vehicle category to the Authorised Class in MOVERS.

Vehicle Registration Process

The Authorised Inspector is to complete an Inspection Report (VS5) *“Inspection Report for Authorised Inspectors”* for each vehicle to be registered and fax or present the Inspection Report to the MVR Vehicle Standards Centre for the vehicle data to be added to MOVERS.

Once the vehicle data has been added, the MOVERS generated passed Inspection Report will be faxed back to the New Vehicle Dealer by MVR staff.

Form R11 *“Application to Register/Renew/Transfer a Vehicle”* is to be completed and presented along with the passed Inspection Report and authorisation from the vehicle owner (if required) to an MVR Office for processing. Current vehicle registration authorisations and requirements remain unchanged.

It is the responsibility of the New Vehicle Dealer to ensure that the vehicle is registered in the correct NHV category.