

Authorised Inspection Scheme

Notice 37

Identification (ID) number requests for pre 1989 trailers – Amendment to the trailer identity check standards

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Purpose

To provide guidance for Authorised Inspection Scheme (AIS) proprietors, nominees, alternative nominees and examiners when requesting identification (ID) numbers for pre 1989 trailers. Roads and Maritime are publishing this notice advising a change to the process of obtaining an ID number for pre 1989 trailers.

Background

Trailers constructed before 1989 were not required to be issued with unique vehicle identifiers by the manufacturer. To establish the registration, Roads and Maritime Services issues pre 1989 trailers with a uniquely generated number.

It has been identified that a more thorough identity check needs to be conducted by examiners to establish the identity and legitimacy of trailer's claim to be pre 1989 manufacture. Examiners must conduct inquiries of a vehicle by confirming the consistency of the vehicle identifiers between the vehicle and any records.

Examiners will be required to obtain evidence that the vehicle is a pre-1989 manufactured trailer and will be required to forward that evidence to Roads and Maritime when requesting a trailer number.

Roads and Maritime has reviewed the practice of issuing special numbers for pre 1989 trailers to ensure the trailer has been held to relevant identity, design and safety standards. The new documentation is required to satisfy this requirement. Any application received without the supporting documentation will be rejected.

What has changed and what do I need to do?

All requests for ID numbers for pre 1989 trailers will need to provide:

- A completed 'ID number request for Pre 1989 trailer' form (1213)
- Clear photos of all four sides of the trailer and draw bar
- Documented evidence of the vehicle's origin (ie proof the vehicle was constructed prior to 1989).

Note: More information on acceptable proof of entitlement documents can be found on the [Roads and Maritime website](#).

Amendments to AIS Business Rules

This notice is an amendment to Rule 221 – Trailers and caravans VIN/Chassis number of the Identity check standards for AUVIS and as such now forms part of the rules.

Further information

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