

Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts



How to report a vehicle safety or non-compliance issue without a ROVER account

August 2024

© Commonwealth of Australia 2024

August 2024 / INFRASTRUCTURE 2024

Ownership of intellectual property rights in this publication

Unless otherwise noted, copyright (and any other intellectual property rights, if any) in this publication is owned by the Commonwealth of Australia (referred to below as the Commonwealth).

Disclaimer

The material contained in this publication is made available on the understanding that the Commonwealth is not providing professional advice, and that users exercise their own skill and care with respect to its use, and seek independent advice if necessary.

The Commonwealth makes no representations or warranties as to the contents or accuracy of the information contained in this publication. To the extent permitted by law, the Commonwealth disclaims liability to any person or organisation in respect of anything done, or omitted to be done, in reliance upon information contained in this publication.

Use of the Coat of Arms

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet sets the terms under which the Coat of Arms is used. Please refer to the Commonwealth Coat of Arms - Information and Guidelines publication available at http://www.pmc.gov.au.

Contact us

This publication is available in PDF format. All other rights are reserved, including in relation to any departmental logos or trademarks which may exist. For enquiries regarding the licence and any use of this publication, please contact:

Director – RVS Legislation, Policy and Partnerships Vehicle Safety Policy & Partnerships Branch Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts GPO Box 594 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia Email: <u>RVSAimplementation@infrastructure.gov.au</u>

Website: www.infrastructure.gov.au

Contents

Contents	_2
How to report a vehicle safety or non-compliance issue without a ROVER account	3
Recommended browsers	3
How to submit your report	4
Who is submitting the report?	5
Submitting a report as yourself	5
Submitting a report on behalf of someone else	5
Submitting a report anonymously	6
How to add Report details	7
How to enter road vehicle, road vehicle component or company/person details	8
For a road vehicle	8
For a road vehicle component	9
For a company or person	10
Adding comments and any other matters	11
Declaration	12
Further information	13

How to report a vehicle safety or non-compliance issue without a ROVER account

A vehicle safety or non-compliance report (a report) notifies the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (the department) of potential vehicle safety issues or alleged non-compliance with the Road Vehicle Standards (RVS) legislation.

Anyone can submit a report. You can include your contact details with a report or submit it anonymously. Reports can be submitted through <u>ROVER</u>, the department's online applications and approvals portal.

There are 4 categories for reporting vehicle safety or legislative non-compliance issues – a road vehicle, a road vehicle component, a company or person, and a matter unrelated to the other 3 categories. This guide covers all 4 categories and is for people reporting an issue **without** a ROVER account.

Recommended browsers

The recommended browsers to use when accessing ROVER are Google Chrome, Firefox or Microsoft Edge. We **do not** recommend using Internet Explorer and Safari.

Important: Red asterisks * in the report form are mandatory fields. You must complete those fields before proceeding further.

How to submit your report

Open the online form.

Step 1.

Read the **Before you begin** section. To acknowledge that you have read and understood the **Privacy Declaration**, tick the box underneath the **Collection and use of information** section. After you complete the declaration, scroll down to the next section.

	Vehicle Safety or Non-Compliance Report
efore you begin	
If your concern relates to driver behaviour or a ve	ehicle that is not roadworthy, please report that to your state or territory police or vehicle registration authority.
Before reporting your concerns please consider the f	following:
 Read and understand the owner's manual for operate. 	your vehicle. Sometimes a concern can be quickly resolved by understanding how particular features of your vehicle
See if your vehicle is subject to a recall. You c	an search for your vehicle on the <u>Vehicle Recalls website</u> or contact the vehicle manufacturer.
 Contact your dealership or supplier and discus Contact the vehicle manufacturer. Most manufacturer. 	ss your concern or issue directly with them. facturers have a customer service section that may be able to assist. After reporting a concern to the manufacturer,
distributor or supplier you should allow a reaso	onable time for them to reply and address your concern or issue.
Please note the department collects, and may use the or legislative non-compliance. In some cases the info	re personal information in a Vehicle Safety or Non-Compliance Report to assist in identifying systemic vehicle safety issues ormation you provide may be used to support compliance monitoring and enforcement responses.
The department will store your personal information	securely. Your personal information may be disclosed to third parties including:
Vehicle manufacturers or suppliers Commonwealth state or territory consulatory as	uthorities or law enforcement agencies
 Commonwealth, state or ternitory regulatory at 	ies
State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory emergency services	
State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory emergency services Coroners.	
Commonwealth, state of territory regulatory at State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory emergency services Coroners. If you do not want your report to be disclosed, select	'no' to the question 'Can this information be disclosed to other parties?'.
Commonwealth, state of territory regulatory at State and territory vehicle registration authorit State and territory emergency services Coroners. If you do not want your report to be disclosed, select You may choose to submit your report without person disclosed to some parties but not others.	'no' to the question 'Can this information be disclosed to other parties?'. nal or contact information. You may also provide explanatory notes that you are comfortable with your information being
Commonwealth, state of territory regulatory at State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory emergency services Coroners. If you do not want your report to be disclosed, select You may choose to submit your report without person disclosed to some parties but not others. The department's <u>Privacy Policy</u> contains information department. The Privacy Officer can be contacted at	'no' to the question 'Can this information be disclosed to other parties?'. nal or contact information. You may also provide explanatory notes that you are comfortable with your information being n regarding complaint handling processes, and how to access or seek correction of personal information held by the <u>privacy@infrastructure.gov.au</u> .
Commonwealth, state of territory regulatory at State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory vehicle registration authoriti State and territory emergency services Coroners. If you do not want your report to be disclosed, select You may choose to submit your report without person disclosed to some parties but not others. The department's <u>Privacy Policy</u> contains information department. The Privacy Officer can be contacted at Privacy Declaration *	'no' to the question 'Can this information be disclosed to other parties?'. nal or contact information. You may also provide explanatory notes that you are comfortable with your information being n regarding complaint handling processes, and how to access or seek correction of personal information held by the <u>privacy@infrastructure.gov.au</u> .
Commonwealth, state of territory regulatory at State and territory vehicle registration authorit State and territory emergency services Coroners. If you do not want your report to be disclosed, select You may choose to submit your report without perso disclosed to some parties but not others. The department's <u>Privacy Policy</u> contains information department. The Privacy Officer can be contacted at Privacy Declaration *	'no' to the question 'Can this information be disclosed to other parties?'. nal or contact information. You may also provide explanatory notes that you are comfortable with your information being n regarding complaint handling processes, and how to access or seek correction of personal information held by the <u>privacy@infrastructure.gov.au</u> .

Who is submitting the report?

Step 2.

In the **Reported by** section, you have 3 choices for who is submitting the report: **Myself, Someone else I represent** and **I would like to report anonymously.** Depending on which option you choose, the information you need to provide will differ.

Submitting a report as yourself

Tick the box next to **Myself.** New fields will appear under **Submitter details**. Enter your details into the fields and scroll down to the next section; **Report details**.

Reported By		
Who is submitting this report?* Myself Someone else I represent I would like to report anonymously		
The reporter can be: • Myself • Another individual • Organisation • Anonymous		
Submitter details		
First name*	Last name*	

Email	Phone

Submitting a report on behalf of someone else

Select **Someone else I represent.** New fields will appear under **Submitter details** and **Entity details**. Enter the details for yourself (Submitter) and the entity you are representing (Entity) into the fields and scroll down to the next section: **Report details.**

Reported By



Submitter details

First name*	Last name*
Email*	Phone

Entity details

Legal entity name*		
Email	ABN	
Website	ACN	
Phone	ARBN	

Submitting a report anonymously

Select I would like to report anonymously. Then scroll down to the next section: Report details.

Re	ported By
	Who is submitting this report?*
	O Myself
Ι.	O Someone else I represent
	I would like to report anonymously
	The reporter can be: • Myself • Another individual • Organisation • Anonymous
	If you are reporting anonymously, please provide all relevant information before submitting as we will not be able to contact you for further details.

Important: If you report **anonymously**, the department will not have your contact details to obtain further information. This may result in the case being closed if there is insufficient information provided.

How to add Report details

Step 3.

In the **Report details** section, under **What does your concern relate to?** open the dropdown menu and select the type of concern you want to report. There are 4 options:

- a road vehicle
- a road vehicle component
- a company or person, and
- other (this covers matters unrelated to the other 3 categories. If you select **other**, a free text box will appear asking you to provide details).

Next, complete all the fields. Depending on your answer, you may be asked for further details.

If you select **Yes** for **Has there been a death or injury relating to this report?** a free text box will prompt you for additional information.

Once you have added all the relevant information, scroll down to the next section where you will provide specific details for the matter you are reporting. Depending on the category you have selected, the information you need to provide will differ.

Report details

What does your concern relate to?*
Category*
Has there been a death or injury relating to this report?* No Yes Please provide details about the incident. If you would like to supply additional supporting information, please email vehiclecompliance@infrastructure.gov.au and quote the reference number for this report. You will receive a reference number when you submit this form.*
Please describe the matter you are reporting. If you would like to supply additional supporting information, please email vehiclecompliance@infrastructure.gov.au and quote the reference number for this report. You will receive a reference number when you submit this form.*
Have you reported the matter to responsible person or organisation?
department protects privacy, please see the department's <u>online privacy policy</u> .

If you select Other

If you select **Other**, under **What does your concern relate to?** A mandatory **Please specify** free text box will appear for you to provide details. Once you have added all the relevant details, scroll down to the next section; **Comments and any other matters** and skip to **Step 5** (see page 10).

Report details	
What does your concern relate to?*	Please specify*
Other 🗸	

How to enter road vehicle, road vehicle component or company/person details

Step 4.

Depending on the type of issue you are reporting – a road vehicle, a road vehicle component or a company/person – the information you need to provide will differ. Complete the mandatory fields (marked with a red asterisk *) and as many optional fields as possible. Then, scroll down to the last section; **Comments and any other matters.**

For a road vehicle

If you have selected **A road vehicle** from the dropdown in **Step 3**, new fields will appear under **Road vehicle details**. The mandatory fields in this section are **What type of vehicle are you reporting on?**, **Make** and **Model**.

Vhat type of vehicle are you reporting on?*	
lake*	
to select the Make, please start typing your make in the textbox and then select the relevant option from the	
alphabetical list presented. If your make did not show up in the list, please type 'Other' and select that from the list. You	
will then be able to input your make in the 'Please specify make' field.	
odel*	
ariant	
/hen was the vehicle manufactured?	
ear (YYYY)	Month (MM)

For a road vehicle component

If you have selected **A road vehicle component** from the dropdown in **Step 3**, new fields will appear under **Road vehicle component details**. The mandatory fields in this section are **What type of component are you reporting on?**, **Make** and **Model**.

Nhat type of component are you reporting on?*	
~	
Make*	
]
To select the Make, please start typing your make in the textbox and then select the relevant option from the alphabetical list presented. If your make did not show up in the list, please type 'Other' and select that from the list. You will then be able to input your make in the 'Please specify make' field.	
Nodel*	
Variant	
]
When was the component manufactured?]
When was the component manufactured? /ear (YYYY)	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY)	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY)	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY)	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY)	Month (MM) Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY)	Month (MM) Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? //ear (YYYY) When was the component purchased? //ear (YYYY) Nas the component new or used?	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? //ear (YYYYY) When was the component purchased? //ear (YYYYY) Nas the component new or used? New	Month (MM) Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Nas the component new or used? New New Used	Month (MM) Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Was the component new or used? New O New O Used	Month (MM) Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Was the component new or used? Nas the component new or used? New Used What is the serial number or equivalent for the component? Serial number	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Was the component new or used? Nas the component new or used? New Used What is the serial number or equivalent for the component? Serial number	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Was the component new or used? New O New O Used What is the serial number or equivalent for the component? Serial number	Month (MM)
When was the component manufactured? Year (YYYY) When was the component purchased? Year (YYYY) Was the component new or used? New O New O Used What is the serial number or equivalent for the component? Serial number	Month (MM)

For a company or person

If you have selected **A company or person** from the dropdown in **Step 3**, new fields will appear under **Company or person details.** The mandatory fields in this section are **Name**, **Phone number**, **Email address**, and **Country**.

Company or person details

If this company or person is operating under RVSA approval, please provide their approval number (if known).

This may include registered automotive workshops (RAWs), authorized vehicle verifiers (AVVs), holders of testing facility approvals, as well as vehicle and component manufacturers, importers and suppliers.

Approval number

e.g. RAW-000000

Name*

ABN

Name of contact person

Phone*		
Email*		

Business Address:

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Town/Suburb

Country*

State/Province

Postcode/Zipcode

~

Adding comments and any other matters

Step 5.

Write any comments or additional information in the free text box provided. If you have any extra supporting information, such as digital photos, you can email them to <u>vehiclecompliance@infrastructure.gov.au</u> quoting the reference number you will receive after submitting your report.

If your report is anonymous, please provide as much detail as possible as the department will not be able to contact you once it is submitted.

Once you have added your comments, scroll down to the next section; Declaration.

Comments and any other matters

Declaration

Step 6.

Read the **Declaration.** To acknowledge that you have understood and agree with the statements, tick the box underneath the declaration and then click on the **Submit** button.

Declaration	
By ticking the box below, I, or I on behalf of an organisation I represent, declare that the information I have provided in this Vehicle Safety or Non-Compliance Report form (my report) including any documents (and images) that I have provided in support of my report, are true and accurate.	
I also confirm that I have not provided any false or misleading information in providing my report to the department.	
I also understand that I may not be further contacted by the department in relation to my report and I acknowledge the department does not provide status updates regarding the progress (or not) of my report.	
I declare that the content of this report is true and accurate and confirm that no false or misleading information has been provided	*
Subm	t

If you have missed a mandatory field, when you click **Submit** you will be returned to the top of the form and an error message will explain why your report could not be submitted. You can click the hyperlink in the error message and will be taken to the relevant section of the report.



Once you have submitted your report, a confirmation page with your reference report number will appear on the screen.



From the confirmation screen, you should print or download a PDF copy of the report for your records by clicking **print this screen**.

If you have questions about the message you have received, please contact the department:
Email: <u>ROVERinfo@infrastructure.gov.au</u> (for ROVER assistance) Phone: 1800 815 272 within Australia (Monday to Thursday 9 am to 5 pm, Friday 9 am to 4 pm, current time zone in Canberra, ACT) Phone: +61 2 6274 7444 (calling from overseas)
See your report details below. Please print this screen 🖨 if you want to keep a record of your submission.

Further information

For further information on ROVER, please visit the <u>RVS guides and resources</u> page of our website or submit an <u>online</u> <u>enquiry</u>.