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VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM IMPORTED USED SPARE PARTS

It has come to the Administrator's attention that some organisations and individuals are importing used vehicle spare parts, often obtained through dismantling complete used vehicles before importation, and then reassembling these parts into a complete vehicle.

It is considered that a vehicle manufactured in this way is a new vehicle and it is an offence under the Motor Vehicle Standards Act to supply such a vehicle to the market for use in transport unless it is affixed with a compliance plate and is certified for compliance with the Australian Design Rules (ADRs) applicable at the date the compliance plate is affixed by the Administrator Motor Vehicle Standards.

Organisations holding Compliance Plate Approvals are requested to ensure that vehicles presented to them on consignment for the affixing of a compliance plate are in accordance with the conditions of their approval and have a valid import approval.

Notwithstanding the above a vehicle assembled from parts resulting in a model manufactured before 1974 (1975 in the case of a motorcycle) is not subject to the Motor vehicle Standards Act. Registration of these vehicles for use in transport is subject to the conditions imposed by the State and Territory registering authority where registration is sought.