



CIRCULAR 84/ – 1 – 1

ADR 84/... – CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Circular sets out the preferred administrative arrangements for the certification of vehicles to ADR 84/... Front Underrun Impact Protection (FUP).

2. VEHICLES THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE FITTED WITH FUP

- 2.1 All NC category vehicles must be fitted with FUP from the following dates:

- 2.1.1 1 July 2011 on all new model vehicles; and
2.1.2 1 January 2012 on all vehicles.

- 2.2 NB2 category vehicles may optionally be fitted with FUP.

3. VEHICLES THAT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE FITTED WITH FUP

- 3.1 Under ADR 84/... FUP is not required to be fitted to off-road vehicles or vehicles such that their use is incompatible with the provisions of front underrun protection (see paragraphs 5.3 – 5.4.2).

4. VEHICLES THAT ARE FITTED WITH FUP AS A COMPONENT

- 4.1 Component manufacturers, component suppliers or the vehicle manufacturer may apply for a Component Registration Number (CRN) for a FUP Device (FUPD) that is intended to be fitted to a new vehicle. Refer to Administrator's Circular 0-4-26 'Application for Component Registration Numbers (CRNs)'.

5. APPLICATION FOR AN IPA

- 5.1 Manufacturers should make an application for an Identification Plate Approval (IPA) for a new vehicle in accordance with Administrator's Circular No. 0-1-2 'A Guide to the Certification of New Vehicles – Type Approval'.
- 5.2 One or more SE forms for ADR 84/... should be submitted as evidence for demonstrating compliance to, or claiming exemption from, ADR 84/... Each SE form can be used to provide evidence for one FUP and/or up to six FUPD for a vehicle model.
- 5.3 Where a model or variant(s) of a model is claimed to be exempt due to it being an off-road design, justification for an exemption will be considered during assessment of the application against Appendix A Clause 1.3 of ADR 84/.... Identification against the model or variant of a model should be included in the Remarks section of the RVD and should read:

“ADR 84/... Exempt – “Off-Road”.

- 5.4 Where a model or variant(s) of a model is claimed to be exempt due to it being a vehicle such that its use is incompatible with the provisions of front underrun protection:



- 5.4.1 If based on its designed use (for example, essential machinery being mounted to the front of the vehicle in an arrangement that would not be able to function properly in the presence of FUP), justification for an exemption will be considered during assessment of the application against Clause 3.4 of ADR 84/.... Identification against the model or variant of a model should be included in the Remarks section of the RVD and should read:

“ADR 84/... Exempt – Designed Use”.

- 5.4.2 If based on the nature of the environment that the vehicle will be operating in rather than the design of the vehicle itself (for example, exclusive use on rough roads such that the presence of FUP would restrict its operation), FUPS need not be fitted where this is able to be demonstrated against Clause 3.4 of ADR 84/... at the time of first registration to the satisfaction of the registration authority. There are no other requirements for noting this on the application for the IPA or on the RVD.

6. IDENTIFICATION PLATE APPROVAL (IPA)

- 6.1 For IPAs that include ADR 84/..., Schedule 5 will include the condition:

“In accordance with ADR 84/... Clause 3.4, vehicles are not required to comply to ADR 84/... where their use is incompatible with the provisions of front underrun protection. Where this is on the basis of the operating environment rather than the design of the vehicle, this shall be subject to the satisfaction of the State or Territory registration authority”.

7. SUPPLY AND FITTING OF A FUPD

- 7.1 At the time a new vehicle is made available for supply to the market, its configuration regarding ADR 84/... must be in accordance with its IPA. Prior to it being made available for supply to the market and provided it remains under the IPA holder’s control, its configuration regarding ADR 84/... and the fitting of an Identification Plate remains a matter for the IPA holder.

For example, in the case of an IPA holder arranging for a dealer or other contracted party to fit a FUPD, either before or after the Identification Plate is fitted but before making the vehicle available for supply to the market, the contracted party will be considered to be part of the IPA holder’s production system and subject to the conditions of the IPA. In addition, the IPA must include approved evidence relevant to any FUPD that is subsequently fitted.

- 7.2 The driving of an incomplete vehicle prior to it being made available for supply to the market (such as one not fitted with FUP or a FUPD - without being exempt from the requirements of ADR 84/...) remains a matter for the IPA holder. Where this involves travel on the road network, State or Territory road authorities should be consulted beforehand.