# **Bulletin**

## **Automotive Repairers Division**



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#### Dear Member

VACC welcomes the recent decision of the Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) to expand its Vehicle Identity Validation (VIV) Scheme. This announcement and expansion will ensure the efficient running of the Scheme, resulting in environmental and safety benefits for the Victorian community. VACC has long advocated for more service providers given declining numbers over the past years, and long wait times for an appointment.

Invitations are now open to current Licensed Vehicle Testers (LVTs) located in the outlined preferred location zones and who can satisfy the evaluation criteria. According to DTP, up to 20 new VIV centres are required to meet expected demand in locations across metropolitan Melbourne and rural Victoria.

The VIV Scheme provides for a vehicle to be assessed and recorded on the Written-off Vehicles Register (WOVR) as a Repairable Write-Off (RWO). The assessment process confirms the vehicle satisfies the following objectives:

- the vehicle ID is original
- repairs are to manufacturer standards
- · proof of purchase of parts

Applicants must meet the following mandatory requirements:

- The business is located within one of the preferred geographic locations as specified by the DTP.
- Must have seven (7) years' experience as an LVT.
- LVT licensee must have a demonstrated history of compliance with no sanctions issued within the last ten (10) years.
- That examining mechanics listed for the LVT Licence are active users of the eRWC system.

#### How to Apply

All information including preferred location map, details of the offer, mandatory requirements and evaluation criteria, as well as the VIV authorisation conditions are available on the 'Buying for Victoria' here.

Note, you will be required to register your business on the website to download the supporting documents and make an application.

### **Closing Date**

Submissions will close on 9 of February 2024 at 2:00pm after which no applications will be accepted.

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