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IM240 Test requirements for ICV's



Specialty Vehicles Australia (SVA), is a special interest group within the Ge the Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce (VACC). Essentially, SVA vehicle builders, suppliers, enthusiast groups and engineering support busin Victoria. The focus of the group is to advance, promote, protect and support industry in Australia and to preserve the interests of members.

SVA has long argued and lobbied for the removal of the IM240 Test requirement for club and full registration on individually constructed vehicles (ICV's) due to the financial and compliance challenges on both consumers and small businesses.

Individually constructed vehicles are typically vehicles that are not a production vehicle or a modified production vehicle. They are usually a one-off type vehicle built to an individual plan or design and includes a vehicle constructed to the builders own unique design, certain kit cars and certain replicas of production vehicles.

The closure of Vipac, the only IM240 testing facility in Victoria on 3 December 2018, has caused many businesses including ICV builders and modified production vehicle enthusiast's severe financial hardship. Current projects have been placed on hold or have been towed to other states e.g. NSW for testing which has significant added costs for vehicle certification. In a niche industry, the current situation has the capacity to send small businesses to cease operating.

SVA are seeking your feedback via a survey to fully understand the economic impact on industry. Your feedback is critical and will be used in a submission to VicRoads with the view of replacing the IM240 Test with an alternative method.

You can access the survey [here](#).

Feel free to contact me to discuss.

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