

Bulletin

Industry Divisions



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Urgent ! If you have old VIN plated stock you must read this email.

Providing MVSA plated vehicles before 1 July 2023

Members are advised of specific guidance to dealers who are adding a road vehicle manufactured and/or imported vehicle under the *Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989 (Cth)* (MVSA) to the Register of Approved Vehicles (RAV).

The guidance note is provided by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (the Department) [Adding a road vehicle manufactured or imported under the MVSA to the RAV](#).

What does the guidance announce?

The guidance includes a specific guidance note (highlighted in green, pg. 2) which outlines when a MVSA plated vehicle is considered supplied (or provided) under the MVSA.

The guidance formally announces that road vehicles that are plated under the MVSA must be supplied before the end of the transitional period of 30 June 2023.

From 1 July 2023, all road vehicles must be entered on the RAV before they can be provided to the market for the first time.

When will the Department consider the vehicles as having been provided?

MVSA plated vehicles that are not already in the possession of their intended owner when the Road Vehicle Standards legislation transitional arrangements end on 30 June 2023, the department will consider these vehicles to have been provided if the following conditions are satisfied:

1. That the road vehicle was fitted with identification plate under the provisions of the MVSA, and;
2. That a contract of sale was completed between the consumer (intended owner) and either an original equipment manufacturer or a dealership before 1 July 2023.

Fallout for dealers with affected stock

On behalf of the VACC's Motorcycle Industry Division (MID) Executive Committee (EC), and other dealer divisions, MID EC member Hollie Black has received advice from the department announcing that dealerships holding stock that has been supplied to your dealership before 30 June 2023 will not be able to register that stock to a customer from any period from 1 July 2023. This is important.

The department has further advised MID that for the affected stock to be provided as an MVSA plated vehicle, it must either have a contract for sale on or before 30 June 2023, or otherwise be unconditionally registered by 30 June 2023.

To satisfy point two of the conditions mentioned above, it will mean that the dealer must be the owner of the vehicle (and not just have the vehicle in the dealership) – i.e., the dealer has a contract for the ownership of the vehicle.

The dealer may choose to use it as a demonstrator for example and naturally, from this point, it can be registered and then sold second hand at any time.

What happens if this does not occur?

The Department advises that if this does not occur the guidance provided outlines how, and under what conditions, a vehicle could be added to the RAV and then provided under the RVSA.

VACC thanks Hollie Black for her work on this issue on behalf of all VACC dealers.

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