

Introduction of Revised LVV Code

Issue 2 of the LVV Code of the Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association Inc has been authorised by the NZ Gazette 22 February 2001 [au1917] to take effect from 01 March 2001.

The revised Code introduces some new features and minor changes to procedures. The new features have been discussed at the recent round of LVV Certifier's training sessions and with industry interest groups. Changes to note are as follows:

<i>Code ref.</i>	<i>feature</i>	<i>main effect</i>
1.2[3]	LVV Standards & Survey sheets are now listed in annexes.	Provides clear link between these documents
1.5[3]	Amendment record sheet now included	Confirms amendment inclusion and timing
2.3[6]	A modified unregistered vehicle must have its entry qualifications established before being surveyed for LVV certification.	Avoids wasting resources on a vehicle that cannot be registered, also to dispel any notion that LVV certification can over-ride requirements related to approved standards applying at time of manufacture.
2.5[1]	Where a LVV certification plate is already affixed and a vehicle is further modified, the new survey need only cover the design compliance of the newly affected items, however the overall in-service fitness of all components must be established.	Avoids duplication of effort involved in re-evaluating the previous certification, unless a LVV certifier has doubts about the design adequacy of previously certified components.
2.5[2]	A LVV Certifier specialising in adaptations for disabled persons may sub-contract both the in-service fitness and any 'recreational' modifications applied to the vehicle.	Allows certification by a LVV certifier operating only in the specialised field of adaptations for disabled persons.
2.5[3]	A LVV certifier may accept, as evidence of in-service compliance, a check sheet not more than 14 days old from an 'in-service' certifier checking for WoF or CoF compliance.	Avoids duplication of operations in this area, provided that the LVV Certifier has confidence in the quality of the in-service check.
2.6[1] & [2]	Road test requirements are changed.	Avoids the need to carry out performance assessment of components that cannot be affected by the modifications under LVV survey.
2.8[1]	Where a vehicle is assessed as not being a LVV by a LVV Certifier, that person need only keep a record of that assessment	Saves a LVV plate being affixed to the vehicle to say it is not a LVV.
2.9	Clarifies LVV certification plate requirements, in particular allows the fitting of a plate to be carried out by a person nominated by the LVV certifier signing the FS001 Statement of Compliance.	Recognises that some vehicles are re-located to point of sale soon after LVV survey.
2.10	Introduces LVV Type Approval procedures.	Enables more efficient certification of a series of vehicles that are identical in safety related terms.
2.11	Introduces LVV Auxiliary Parts procedures.	Enables the safety standards of a series of identical safety related 'accessory' parts to be verified without the need for a vehicle to become a LVV.

Any documents and procedures added or changed by the issue of the revised Code will be the subject of separate LVV Information Sheets.