



Dear Federation President,

Recently the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure conducted a review of the current processes when granting registration to left hand drive and street rod vehicles where a certificate of exemption is required.

Currently the "1-day single trip exemption" issued by the Vehicle Standards Unit to allow a vehicle a single trip for the purpose of an inspection has been the accepted document on which to issue registration. This is prior to the vehicle being assessed and issued with a full certificate of exemption.

It has been identified that this has the potential to place the driver or owner of the vehicle at risk to be heavily fined and their registration, compulsory third party and general insurance voided if the vehicle is driven without the appropriate full exemption carried in the vehicle, placing the driver or owner in an unacceptable financial position should the vehicle be at fault in a serious accident or fatality.

While no change has been made in obtaining this exemption, the process of providing the full certificate of exemption at the time of registration will now be enforced.

To facilitate the adoption of this process, any application for the registration of a vehicle where a certificate of exemption is necessary, will be required to be issued with a full certificate of exemption issued by Vehicle Standards before registration can be granted. The "1-day single trip exemption" will no longer be accepted.

Currently the time period in preparing and issuing a full exemption certificate by the Vehicle Standards Unit is taking approximately 4-6 weeks. This is due to the length of time it takes to assess and complete a full left hand drive or street rod exemption and an increase in personal imports requiring inspections. It is expected these delays will decrease over the coming weeks as the back log of exemptions is cleared.

Please advise your members of these requirements in order to allow them to factor in the time lines when preparing their vehicles for registration purposes.

The process to register a vehicle requiring the issue of a certificate of exemption is outlined below:

- Owner to contact Vehicle Standards unit and obtain a 1-day certificate of exemption.



- Owner to then obtain a 1-day unregistered vehicle permit – issued for date of inspection only.
- Vehicle undergoes inspection by Vehicle Standards.
- Vehicle Standards process application for certificate of exemption and (if successful) post the certificate to the client. **This assessment process may take up to 4-6 weeks from the date of inspection.**
- Once owner receives the exemption, they can then apply to their club for conditional registration on an MR334 or make an application for full registration at a Service SA counter. The full certificate of exemption is required to be produced in both cases and a copy taken to be retained with the source documents (within the Service SA branch).
- Standard processing of the application then follows.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gabby O'Neill', written in a cursive style.

Gabby O'Neill  
**Manager of Registration and Policy Services**

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