

The Importance of Vehicle (VIN) Plate Information

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Under the [Road Vehicle Standards Act 2018 \(RVSA\)](#), all Low ATM Trailers (Towable Recreational Vehicles with an Aggregate Trailer Mass (ATM) of 4.5 tonnes or less) provided to the Australian market for the first time must be entered into the [Register of Approved Vehicles \(RAV\)](#). For a low ATM trailer to be recorded in the RAV, manufacturers and importers providing more than 4 trailers to the Australian market must obtain a [vehicle type approval](#) for their trailer type within a 12-month transition period beginning July 1, 2021.

An important part of this process is ensuring a Vehicle Plate, commonly referred to within the industry as a 'VIN' or 'Compliance' Plate, is affixed to the trailer by the importer or manufacturer. This plate may also include additional information such as the tyre placard information.

The Vehicle (VIN) Plate must only be affixed once the towable recreational vehicle meets the standards as set out in [ADR 61/03 \(Vehicle Marking\)](#). The manufacturer or importer, as engraved or printed on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate, takes responsibility for ensuring the towable recreational vehicle has been manufactured to comply with the Road Vehicle Standards (RVS) Legislation. By affixing the Vehicle (VIN) Plate to the towable recreational vehicle, the importer or manufacturer is providing a clear indication to the relevant State or Territory registering authority – and to owners and the public – that the towable recreational vehicle complies with the relevant Australian Design Rules (ADRs) and that the towable recreational vehicle is ready for road use.

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The Vehicle (VIN) Plate must be made from a durable, non-corrosive metal and must be affixed to the towable recreational vehicle in a position where it may be readily examined. The plate is to be riveted, welded, or otherwise permanently attached to the towable recreational vehicle with the information on the plate to be embossed, indented, etched, or engraved. Note that affixing the Vehicle (VIN) Plates with an adhesive is not acceptable.

“It is vital that all the information detailed on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate by the manufacturer/importer is accurate and correctly matches the towable recreational vehicle as it has been first provided to the Australian market.”

VEHICLE MAKE: _____	MODEL: _____	TYRE & RIM INFORMATION	
APPROVAL NO: _____	VARIANT: _____	RIM SIZE & PROFILE: _____	
DATE OF MANUFACTURE: _____ / _____	VIN: _____	TYRE SIZE: _____	
RATINGS & MASSES		TYRE LOAD RATING: _____	
TARE MASS: _____ kg	COUPLING LOAD AT TARE MASS: _____ kg	TYRE SPEED RATING: _____	
GTM: _____ kg	LOAD CAPACITY: _____ kg	COLD INFLATION PRESSURE/ RECOMMENDED TYRE PRESSURE: _____	
ATM: _____ kg	TRAILER GROSS AXLE LOAD RATING (TGALR): _____ kg		
<small>NOTE: ALL INFORMATION AS DETERMINED AT TIME OF ORIGINAL MANUFACTURE</small>		<small>VERSION: V1-CVINDRVSAPLATE 07-21</small>	



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