

Vehicle (VIN) Plates Under the RVSA

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This Bulletin applies to any vehicles provided to market under the approval process of the [Road Vehicle Standards Act 2018 \(RVSA\)](#).

Vehicle labelling requirements are specified in [ADR 61/03 \(Vehicle Marking\)](#) which states:

- Every category NA vehicle must bear one or more items of 'Secure Vehicle Identification Marking' in the form of a durable self-adhesive label.
- Every category NB or NC vehicle must bear one or more items of 'Secure Vehicle Identification Marking' in the form of a durable self-adhesive label or a durable metal plate.
- Every category TA, TB, TC or TD vehicle must bear one or more items of 'Secure Vehicle Identification Marking', in the form of a durable metal plate.

The 'Secure Vehicle Identification Marking' required as above must display at least:

- The name of the Manufacturer or the Vehicle Make.
- The VIN (Vehicle Identification Number).

On all trailers (category TA, TB, TC or TD vehicles), a Vehicle (VIN) Plate must be firmly affixed in a readily visible position and in the form of a durable metal plate.

In [ADR 61/03](#), the following items are required and are highlighted in green on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate (shown on the following page).

- The name of the Manufacturer or the Vehicle Make
- The VIN (Vehicle Identification Number)
- The Aggregate Trailer Mass (ATM) in kg
- The Gross Trailer Mass (GTM) in kg
- On any trailers up to 4.5 Tonnes ATM, the Tare Mass in kg

[VSB 1 Revision 6](#) also has the additional requirements highlighted in green on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate (shown on the following page). Although not a requirement in ADR 61/03, Caravan Industry Association of Australia have these as required fields for RVMAP Businesses and would strongly recommend other businesses to also include this information on your Vehicle (VIN) Plate.

- Trailer Model
- Date of Manufacture

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The following tyre information is required and may be displayed either on the vehicle (VIN) Plate (highlighted below in green) or an alternate tyre placard.

- Tyre size
- Tyre load rating
- Speed rating
- Cold inflation pressure

The Vehicle Plate (VIN) must be welded, riveted, or otherwise permanently affixed to the vehicle, and all the required information, including any additional information, must be embossed, indented, etched, engraved, or otherwise printed indelibly on the plate.

In the case of a vehicle subject to a second stage of manufacture, where the modifications do not affect any of the additional information required on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate, the name of the Manufacturer or the Vehicle Make of the first-stage vehicle shall be deemed sufficient.

Information on tyre markings can be found on this [LINK](#).
Information of Vehicle (VIN) Plates can be found on this [LINK](#).

All vehicles must have a unique 17-character vehicle identification number that meets the requirements outlined in ADR 61/03.

Further information may be included on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate (highlighted in red) at the discretion of the manufacturer.

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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After industry consultation, it was decided to include a field for a **VARIANT** on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate. This is an optional field, so Manufacturers/Importers could include the vehicle length, how many berths or a family bunk etc. if they choose to.

An RVSA Vehicle (VIN) plate, incorporating all the necessary vehicle and tyre information is now available from Caravan Industry Association of Australia, via the RVMAP Merchandise Catalogue.

Examples of how to and how not to attach vehicle VIN plate is shown below.



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Problem areas to look out for include:

- Vehicle (VIN) Plates fixed with Phillip Head Screws instead of rivets or one-way screws.
- Incorrect information not engraved or etched on the Vehicle (VIN) Plate, i.e., tyre load and speed rating mismatch against fitted tyres.
- Missing Tyre size (noting that tyre size includes several components such as width, aspect ratio, radius, etc.)

Recommendation:

To ensure that Vehicle (VIN) Plates are fitted and installed correctly, it is recommended that accredited business review [ADR 61/03](#) and [VSB 1 Revision 6](#) to familiarize with the requirements of Vehicle (VIN) Plate information.

Alternatively, a soon to be released easy-to-read poster can be purchased from the RVMAP catalogue, item C-11E.

A1 Compliance Poster – Vehicle (VIN) Plate Information RVSA

Download the current RVMAP Merchandise Catalogue and Order Form from the [RVMAP Portal](#) or by using the download buttons below:

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Any questions in relation to this information can be emailed to rvm@caravanindustry.com.au.



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