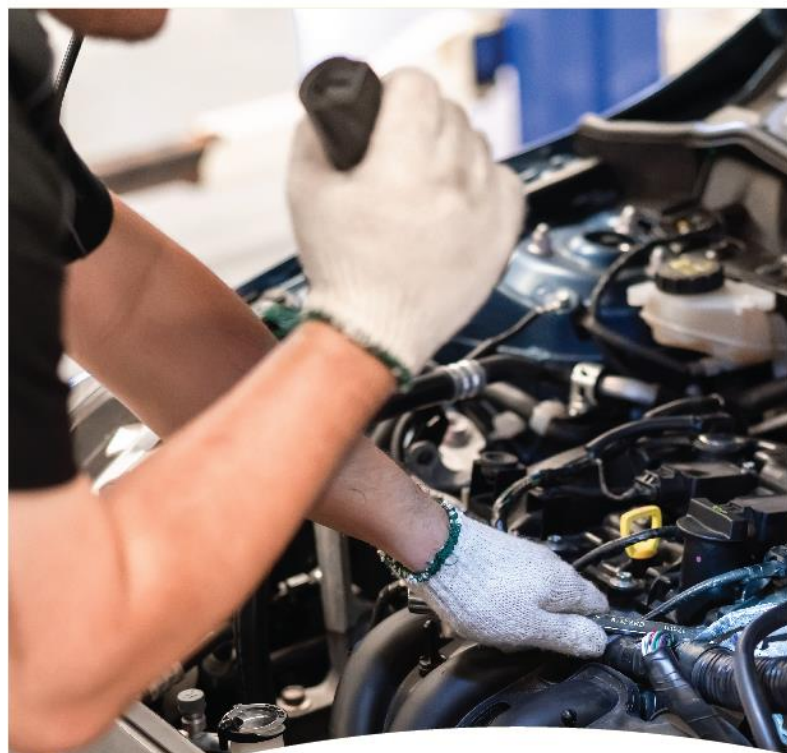


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1. Purpose

The purpose of this Northern Territory Light Vehicle Inspection Manual (NTLVIM) is to provide a consistent set of practical test criteria for persons (Authorised Inspectors, Police Officers and Transport Inspectors) conducting vehicle roadworthy inspections in the NT.

2. Review of this manual

This manual is based on the National Light Vehicle Inspection Manual prepared by the National Road Transport Commission as part of its task to develop uniform or consistent principles and practices for the safe and efficient operation of road transport in Australia.

In the review of this manual, the Northern Territory Registrar of Motor Vehicles acknowledges the assistance of the Tasmanian Government, Registration and Licensing Services for the use of the Tasmanian Light Vehicle Inspection Manual.

3. Application of this manual

This manual is authorised by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles as the minimum standard of roadworthiness for unconditional use of road vehicles not more than 4.5 tonne gross vehicle mass/aggregate trailer mass.

Road vehicle legislation takes precedence over this manual and in the unlikely event there is a discrepancy in the information provided, the legislation will always prevail.

4. Overview

To be considered roadworthy, a vehicle must comply with the requirements of relevant NT legislation which incorporates the Australian Vehicle Standards Rules (AVSRs) and relevant Australian Design Rules (ADRs) - national standards for vehicle safety, anti-theft and emissions.

Things to note when using this manual:

- Testing equipment necessary to validate compliance with this manual must be operational as intended.
- Non-essential accessories maybe fitted to a vehicle providing it does not affect any mandatory vehicle systems, does not compromise compliance with applicable standards and is safe and secure.
- Covers such as trims, moulding, carpet, matting or other similar items, may need to be removed so that components can be inspected.
- This manual cannot cover all eventualities, especially in the case of non-standard and modified vehicles.
- A reference to an Australian Design Rule (ADR) followed by “/...” is a reference to a version of a second or third edition ADR (as defined in Schedule 6 of the *Motor Vehicles (Standards) Regulations 2003*) of that ADR, as amended from time to time.
- The applicability of an ADR may be determined by the model range or the vehicle date of manufacture. This will be specified in the ADR applicability table specific to each ADR.

5. Safety defects

If you think a vehicle is unsafe or has a safety defect of any sort which is not covered in this manual, please seek advice from the Motor Vehicle Registry – Vehicle Standards and Compliance Section.

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Darwin	8999 3127	mvrtestshed.darwin@nt.gov.au
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Authorised Inspectors	8999 3127	MVR.Authorisedinspectors@nt.gov.au
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6. Administration of this manual

This version supersedes and takes precedence over any previous versions.

The version number and release date is shown on the bottom of each page.

Any information which cannot be incorporated into existing sections will be issued in the form of an annexure as a Vehicle Inspectors Bulletin.

This manual is administered and maintained by:

Transport Safety & Services, Vehicle Standards Section
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7. Publication and Dissemination

This manual may be downloaded from the Northern Territory Government Website at:

<https://nt.gov.au/driving/rego/vehicle-compliance-and-modification/vehicle-standards-for-registration>

8. Feedback and enquiries

This manual is a 'live document' that will require revision from time to time to align with improvements in vehicle technology, changes in the vehicle legislation and other related issues.

All feedback is welcomed, please phone (08) 8999 3127 or email: MVR.Inspections@nt.gov.au