PURSUANT to Sections 152, 155(a), (b), (d), (e) and 158(a)(i) of the Land Transport Act 1998

I, Steven Joyce, Minister of Transport,

HEREBY make the following ordinary rule:

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance (Whole of Vehicle Marking) Amendment

SIGNED AT Wellington

This 5th day of March 2009

Steven Joyce
Minister of Transport

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Vehicle Standards Compliance (Whole of Vehicle Marking) Amendment 2009
Rule 35001/5
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Objective of the Rule

Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance (Whole of Vehicle Marking) Amendment 2009 amends Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002 (the Rule), which sets out a legal framework for the inspection and certification of vehicles, covering both the entry of vehicles into the land transport system and their operation in the system.

This amendment Rule revokes the provisions related to the Whole of Vehicle Marking (WOVM) aspect of the Government’s Vehicle Crime Reduction Programme launched in January 2005. The Rule enabled the NZ Transport Agency to require new or used vehicles less than 15 years old, which were imported after the WOVM regime came into effect, to have multiple copies of their vehicle identification numbers (VINs) attached at border inspection or when they were inspected prior to registration.

It has been decided not to proceed with the implementation of the WOVM initiative in its current form. The objective of this amendment Rule is to remove the provisions relating to assigning and affixing of copies of VINs to vehicles.

Extent of consultation

A notice of the Minister of Transport’s intention to make this Rule was published in the daily newspapers in Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin on 28 January 2009, and in the New Zealand Gazette of 29 January 2009. The NZ Transport Agency posted the notice on its website and sent information about the proposed amendment, by email or letter, to about 55 interested groups and individuals. By the closing date for comments on 12 February 2009, the NZ Transport Agency had received two submissions, both of which supported the proposed revocations.

The NZ Transport Agency then prepared a final draft of the Rule for scrutiny by the Ministry of Transport and signature by the Minister of Transport.
Section 1  Application

1.1  Title

1.1(1)  This Rule is Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance (Whole of Vehicle Marking) Amendment 2009.

1.1(2)  This Rule amends Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Standards Compliance 2002.

1.2  Date when Rule comes into force

This Rule comes into force on 10 April 2009.

Section 2  Amendments relating to copies of vehicle identification numbers (VINs)

2.1  Appointment of vehicle inspectors and inspecting organisations

2.1(1)  Subclause 2.2(1) is amended by revoking paragraph 2.2(1)(o).

2.1(2)  Subclause 2.2(3) is amended by omitting the words “2.2(1)(l), 2.2(1)(m) or 2.2(1)(o), to assign or affix VINs, or attach copies of VINs, to specified vehicles” and substituting the words “2.2(1)(l) or 2.2(1)(m), to assign or affix VINs to specified vehicles”.

2.2  Assigning, affixing and attaching a VIN

Clause 4.4 is amended by revoking subclause 4.4(2).
2.3  
**Inspection and certification of vehicles**

2.3(1)  
Clause 6.3 is amended by revoking subclause 6.3(1B).

2.3(2)  
Subclause 6.3(2) is amended by omitting the words “6.3(1), 6.3(1A) or 6.3(1B)” and substituting the words “6.3(1) or 6.3(1A)”.

2.4  
**Additional powers of the Agency**

Subclause 11.7(1) is amended by revoking paragraph 11.7(1)(d).