

**SVA Testing Standards Enquiry****IM 22****REF 08****Details Of Enquiry :**

In respect of testing a goods vehicle with a voluntary down-rate what would be considered adequate evidence of original weight?

Would the original manufacturer's plate be adequate or should we be asking the presenter for further documentary evidence? Ref note 2

Raised By: Chadderton

**Answer:**

Due to concerns over the originality of some manufacturer's plates the IM requirements are to be amplified to require documentary evidence of the GVW and where appropriate the GTW. (See IB 22/1)

Where there is doubt as to whether a vehicle is subject to voluntary downrate documentation can be requested.

This information can be in varying forms, handbook, Web site information, Spec. sheets etc. providing it is clear that it originates from the manufacturer.

Answer Given By: TSB

Date: January 2006

**Further Action:**

NFA