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Re. Motor Caravans – Assessment for First Licensing/Registration Purposes.

The Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA), supported by the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA) have since May 2005 been checking vehicles declared to be a Motor Caravan, prior to first licensing/registration.

This check is aimed at ensuring that only such vehicles considered to be a motor caravan under the Type Approval requirements are given exemption from those requirements for the purposes of first licensing/registration.

In order to maintain a consistent approach from those conducting the examinations an information photo-pack has been circulated, a copy of which follows for information.

The document aims to give general guidance on the degree of conversion that is likely to be considered necessary to a vehicle to enable it to be considered a Motor Caravan and an indication of those vehicles that would be considered to remain a passenger vehicle, and thus subject to a form of Type Approval.

Please note vehicles that are not considered to meet the Motor Caravan criteria will require evidence of Type Approval (ie Single Vehicle Approval) at the time of First Licensing/Registration.

The information in this document becomes effective from January 2006.