



Bodybuilder's Bulletin

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ECWVTA – SMMT workshops

29th October 2014 is the date when you will no longer be able to register trucks unless they conform in all respects to EC Whole Vehicle Type Approval.

Some bodybuilders are already taking steps to ensure that they have some form of Approval system in place by the required date. But many are either not aware of it, assuming that they won't be affected or hope to attain certification nearer the time.

This legislation is now less than two years away and it takes time to obtain all the necessary processes, procedures and approvals.

For those bodybuilders that have still to consider their options, the SMMT in conjunction with VCA, VOSA and truck manufacturers, will be holding several workshops next year to outline the routes to take to achieve approved status.

Attached is a copy of the invitation from the SMMT if you are interested. Full details on how to apply for a place is attached. Please note that there are limited spaces available.

For further information please contact the SMMT directly.

Should you have any queries on the above, please contact Product Engineering on 01793 448170 or email bodybuilder@man.co.uk.

Please circulate and then retain in the Bodybuilder's Manual



INVITATION

SMMT TYPE APPROVAL WORKSHOP

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT), in conjunction with the Vehicle Certification Agency (VCA) and the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA), is holding a series of workshops to present an overview of the Type Approval Regulations and how they will affect your business.

These Workshops are primarily suited to body builders / convertors of Category O types (trailers) and Category N (Light, Medium and Heavy trucks). They will cover how to obtain approval using the routes available together with information on the SMMT type approval tool 'SENTA' and an explanation of the process from a body builder / convertor that has successfully completed approval for its product.

The workshops are free to attend, however numbers are limited to 50 delegates per venue and attendance will be issued on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

The workshops will be held on the dates and at the venues shown below.

If you wish to attend, please send your request to Claire Balch (cbalch@smmt.co.uk) advising which of the venues you wish to attend.

Venues and dates:

Wednesday 6 February 2013	Huntingdon Race Course, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire.
Thursday 7 February 2013	Haydock Park Race Course, Merseyside.
Tuesday 12 February 2013	Bristol Rovers Football Club, Bristol.
Wednesday 27 February 2013	Newcastle Race Course, Newcastle.
Thursday 28 February 2013	Perth Race Course, Perth, Scotland.

Each workshop will start at 10:00 and finish at approximately 15:30.

Further information on the workshop may be obtained by contacting Tony Hopkins.

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DRAFT Agenda

Time	Subject	Speaker	Outcome
10:00 – 10:30	Arrival		
10:30 – 10:45	Welcome, overview of the day and background to Type Approval including implications for not having an approval	SMMT	Delegates aware of the implications for their business if Type Approval is not obtained through one of the routes available
10:45 – 11:45	Type Approval – How to obtain an approval	VCA	Delegates made aware of how to obtain either a full ECWVTA approval or a UK National Approval for Commercial Vehicles and trailers
11:45 – 12:30	VOSA IVA scheme and how to obtain approval	VOSA	Delegates made aware of the IVA scheme for Commercial Vehicles and trailers and how to obtain an approval
12:30 – 13:00	Lunch		
13:00 – 13:30	Example of gaining approval	TBC but likely to be a member who has obtained approval	Delegates given a worked example of how to obtain an approval and the possible things to be aware of during the process
13:30 – 14:00	Conformity of Production and likely costs of gaining an approval	VCA / VOSA	Delegates will have an overview of the COP process and likely costs of Type Approval
14:00 – 14:30	SENTA presentation	SMMT	Delegates given an overview and example of how SENTA can be of benefit in the approval process
14:30 – 15:30	Q&A and private discussions	All	Chance for delegates to ask questions of all speakers in open session or in private
15:30	Delegates depart		

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