



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 ten months 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 seven workshops during the first half of the 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

SMMT Type Approval Interactive workshops 2014



In conjunction with the Vehicle Certification Agency (VCA) and the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (formerly VOSA), SMMT will host seven regional Type Approval Interactive Workshops during 2014 concentrating on the introduction of Type Approval to vehicles of Categories N2 and N3 (trucks over 3.5t). These must attend events for Bodybuilders and Convertors are being held as follows:

Tuesday 25 February, Worcester Warriors Rugby Club, Worcester

Wednesday 26 February, Exeter Chiefs Rugby Club, Exeter

Tuesday 1 April, Windsor Racecourse, Windsor

Wednesday 2 April, Huntingdon Racecourse, near Peterborough

Tuesday 13 May, Haydock Park Racecourse, near Warrington

Wednesday 14 May, Sedgefield Racecourse, near Durham

Thursday 15 May, Falkirk Football Club, Falkirk, Scotland

Each event will be limited to 30 delegates, allowing plenty of time to talk to the representatives from the two agencies and SMMT in an informal environment. With this format, registered delegates will have plenty of time in the afternoon to discuss their individual issues and concerns with the representatives from the VCA, DVSA and SMMT.

The SMMT SENTA system will be available demonstrating how the system can assist in obtaining Type Approval in a cost effective manner. SMMT will also give an overview of how legislation has changed since the introduction of the Type Approval Directive and how SMMT has helped to shape the changes in the past in the industry's best interests. Details of the work SMMT is currently involved in will also be available.

Details of the entry fee, how to book a place at this important event and an outline agenda of the day is shown overleaf:



These invaluable events are free to attend as SMMT members or registered SENTA users. Non-members can attend for a nominal fee of £30 plus VAT.

Places are limited to 30 delegates per workshop with a limit of two representatives per company.

To book a place at one of the workshops please click your chosen venue below:

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For more information on the workshops, please contact Tony Hopkins, e-mail thopkins@smmt.co.uk, and for registration information please contact Claire Balch, e-mail cbalch@smmt.co.uk

Draft SMMT Type Approval Interactive Workshops		
PROGRAMME		
Time	Subject	Speaker
09:30 - 10:00	Registration - networking and refreshments	
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome	Allan McKenzie, Deputy Head and Senior Manager, Vehicle Legislation, SMMT
10:05 – 10:50	Type Approval – The process Overview of how to obtain Type Approval	VCA
10:50 – 11:15	SMMT Technical Department How has the legislation evolved and how the SMMT has influenced change	Tony Hopkins, Technical Manager, SMMT
11:15 – 11:30	Refreshments and networking	
11:30 – 12:15	Individual Vehicle Approval Process How the process works and how to obtain an approval	DVSA
12:15 – 12:30	SMMT Membership How the SMMT works and benefits of being a member	Tim Hughes, Membership Account Manager, SMMT
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch and networking	
13:30 – 16:00	Individual discussions Opportunity to talk to the agencies and the SMMT	SMMT, DVSA, VCA