



Kia ora

I've spoken with many people from across industry over the past few weeks, and I want to take this opportunity to recognise the effort from industry to help vehicle owners and commercial operators during the Delta outbreak. I especially want to mention our Auckland service providers who have had to manage under Alert Level 4 much longer than the rest of the country.

In the last *Inspection news*, we included a survey to understand how you use this newsletter and what else you'd like to see covered.

You'll notice a few changes this time around – the article below shares some of these and we're keen for you to send us your photos and ideas for inclusion in future updates.

If you have a topic in mind that you'd like more information on, please talk to your Waka Kotahi contacts to let us know.

Ngā mihi

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Survey results are in – changes are coming

Thanks to everyone who completed our recent survey. We really appreciate you taking the time to let us know what you think, and what you'd like to see.

We'll be introducing some changes over the next few issues as a result of your feedback. In this issue we've put a subject heading over the articles so you know if it is a WoF, CoF or entry certification related story, we've introduced a quick WoF quiz, and on the back page you'll see a new segment 'What the...!' – send us pictures of your dodgy finds and we'll share them in future issues (details on the back page).

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QMS update – displaying certificates

The QMS for both in-service certification and entry certification recently received a minor update about displaying vehicle inspector certificates. Sites now only have to **hold electronic copies of the inspector certificates** (or display them where customers can see them).

The display of site authorisation certificates has not changed – you must still display your Waka Kotahi site authorisation certificate where your customers can easily see it (as per '5.2 Management of facilities' in the model QMS).

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Rechecks under alert levels

These are challenging times, especially with Auckland continuing in lockdown for an extended period. We acknowledge this presents difficulties for businesses throughout the country and have been working with industry throughout this lockdown to ensure we're aligned in how we work.

Our approach during the Delta outbreak is consistent with the approach taken during the Alert Level 4 lockdown in 2020. The priority is safety and we're reminding vehicle owners and operators that they have a duty to ensure a vehicle is safe.

The **COVID-19 technical bulletin** is still valid and we have updated the Rechecks section. This bulletin can be used by inspecting organisations to assist with recovery and getting back to business as usual.

Please note: if your letter of delegation has expired this will need to be renewed.

[WoF](#)

WoF quiz

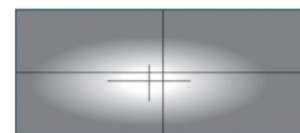
Test your knowledge

Q1 What class of vehicle is this?



Q2 Corrosion damage not permitted within how many millimetres of a lower seatbelt anchorage?

Q3 What type of dipped beam pattern is this?



Q4 A class MA vehicle first registered or manufactured on or after what date must be fitted with a high-mounted stop lamp? If fitted to any other class of vehicle, is the high-mounted stop lamp required to operate?

Q5 What is the maximum allowable diameter of a crack in a windscreen?

Answers are on the last page.

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Public access protocol document

Public safety health and safety guidelines for inspecting organisations and vehicle inspectors

Within the inspecting organisation and vehicle inspector Notices of Appointment, there are obligations for workplace health and safety, including risk management. Feedback at industry forums shows that a consistent approach is needed for public and customer safety in and around inspecting organisations' workplaces.

We've worked with industry representatives and Worksafe to develop a set of guidelines. They outline the expected risk management approach to ensure consistency. However, every workplace is different, and each business is responsible for putting in place effective risk management for their operation.

Please note the guidelines are for use as part of your business as usual environment and any Covid-19 alert level or health and safety regulations need to be considered as well.

These guidelines can be downloaded from the vehicle inspection portal. They're in Microsoft Word format so you can copy and paste into a document and add your own branding.

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[WoF \(trailers\)](#)

Reminder about Bunnings Trailpro trailers recall

A quick reminder that all models of the Trailpro trailers sold at Bunnings are under recall.

The VIRM was updated in March 2020 advising that the TP1 model cannot attain a new WoF (see **General trailers 3-1 Structure**).

Vehicle inspectors should also be aware that the VIRM does not allow the Trailpro TP5 or TP8 models to attain a new WoF either, unless they've been repaired. A repaired model can be identified by the serial number on the identification plate ending with an "R". A TP5 or TP8 trailer with a serial number ending with an "R" may be issued a WoF if it passes all other checks.

Owners of any Trailpro trailers presented for inspection should be encouraged to contact Bunnings on 0800 561 109 to discuss their options.

[Entry](#)

Fuel consumption statement exemption requirement – a reminder

Some vehicles have been certified for entry without having the correct exemption applied for and approved by Waka Kotahi.

A reason for this oversight may be because the fuel consumption statement presented to the entry certifier is printed in black and white, making the highlighted warning (displayed in red) not obvious to the entry certifier.

If the fuel consumption statement has the following message '**The Fuel Consumption Statement is only valid with an exemption issued by NZTA**', the vehicle cannot be certified until we have issued an exemption from section 2.2(2) of the Land Transport Rule: Fuel Consumption Information 2008.

Information on how to request an exemption can be found in the [entry VIRM](#)



Fuel consumption statement

This Fuel Consumption Statement is only valid with an exemption issued by NZTA

Statement for

Chassis number/VIN: _____

Produced on:

3 May 2021

Fuel consumption data

Make:

MAZDA

Model:

CX-5

Submodel:

2.5L (2018)

Industry model code:

6BA-KF5P

Variant:

51

Emission standard:

J6BA

Fuel consumption test:

WLTP

[CoF](#)

Roller brake machine breakdowns

We're aware that sometimes roller brake machines (RBM) break down, which is why we have a process in place where you can use an approved decelerometer temporarily – **but only with our approval**. The process is outlined in the **Heavy vehicle brake testing: CoF and entry certification brake test protocol and procedure** (page11).

If your RBM breaks down and you need to contact us, email vehicles@nzta.govt.nz with 'Urgent: RBM breakdown' as the subject line and we'll get back to you as soon as possible.

Don't update to Windows 11 just yet

Microsoft has recently announced it will start to roll out their new Windows 11 operating system from 5 October 2021.

However, Windows 11 won't be an approved operating system for LANDATA or WoF online until Waka Kotahi and Unisys have completed more testing.

Don't update

Please don't update your operating system to Windows 11.

Until we've tested Windows 11, we don't know whether there will be any issues using LANDATA or WoF online with this operating system.

Approved operating systems

We'll let you know before we make any changes to our approved operating systems.

Recent VIRM amendments

Make sure you're up to date with the latest VIRM amendments.

Since the last issue there have been some changes to the in-service and entry VIRMs, plus there's another one on 1 October 2021. You can click the links below to get the details or visit the amendments section on the **Vehicle inspection portal**

1 May 2021 Omnibus VIRM changes
(in-service and entry)

9 August 2021 Entry VIRM amendment

1 October 2021 in-service VIRM (WoF and CoF) amendment

What the...!

If you come across anything a bit dodgy, send in some pictures with your thoughts and tell us how you dealt with it. Just email vehicles@nzta.govt.nz with 'Inspection news' in the subject line.



An example of a tampered seatbelt anchor. **7-5 Seatbelts and seatbelt anchorages** reason for rejection 13(c) says to fail if you see a seatbelt anchorage that is corroded, damaged or shows signs of tampering.



Remember to look for cracks in your regular maintenance checks!



This is not the way to securely mount a deck to a chassis.

WoF quiz answers

1. Class NA
2. 300mm
3. Symmetric dipped beam
4. 1 January 1990, No
5. 100mm



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