

MBHVA Historic Vehicle Policy

Registration Preamble

The Mollymook Beach Heritage Vehicle Association Inc (MBHVA) supports two variants of the Roads and Maritime Services(RMS) Conditional Registration Scheme (CRS). The rules and requirements for each of these two variants are subtly different; our ability to participate in these schemes is conditional on adherence to, and correct usage of, the scheme and its rules. Therefore, it is incumbent on all members to familiarise themselves with these rules and ensure the correct variant is used for the vehicle concerned.

The variants are:

1. HVS (Historic Vehicle Scheme) for unmodified historic vehicles used for club events and up to sixty days of private usage. (H or J plates)
2. CVS (Classic Vehicle Scheme) for modified historic vehicles (over thirty years old) used for club events and up to sixty days of private usage. This covers all historic vehicles carrying any modification other than manufacturer provided options and/or period accessories. ("D plate")

The MBHVA does not support the use of either of these schemes for the sole purpose of achieving cheap registration. The Club is for motoring enthusiasts who wish to use and display their cars with a view to keeping Australia's motoring heritage alive and to support other club members in similar endeavours. Therefore, participation in club activities is a necessary requirement. Although recognising that many matters may prevent a member's participation, the Committee reserves the right to refuse registration to any member that does not achieve a sufficient level of participation or where a member's vehicle is observed to be driven or ridden in an unsafe or unseemly manner.

MBHVA Common Registration Rules - Applies to all CVS registered vehicles.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. The RMS registers historic vehicles under the Conditional Registration Scheme, which provides the vehicle with limited access to the road network and the Compulsory Third Party Insurance Cover. Historic Vehicles registered under this scheme are exempt from the payment of stamp duty, motor vehicle tax and national charges.
- 1.2. Conditional Registration is only an option for historic vehicles if the registered operator of the vehicle is a current financial member of a RMS recognised historic vehicle club and the vehicle's use of the road network is restricted.

2. MBHVA RULES

- 2.1. Diary, the MBHVA strongly encourages all operators of CRS vehicles to maintain a diary (formerly called a log book) that lists all club events and outings attended. Production of the diary may be required prior to registration renewal (see rule 2.2)
- 2.2. As a condition of registration, attendance at a minimum of three club events per calendar year is required. Failure to satisfy this rule may render the vehicle unsuitable for registration renewal by the MBHVA.
- 2.3. All changes to a vehicle's registration status (plates issued, car sold, plates returned etc.) must be notified to the Club Registrar within thirty days of the event.
- 2.4. The Club Registrar must be consulted prior to any modification being made to any vehicle operating under the HVS and CVS schemes.
- 2.5. Permission must be obtained from the Club Registrar before any club plated vehicle is used for wedding and/or reception activities. (see also rule 5.2). No fees or charges; other than a small reimbursement for petrol usage is permitted.
- 2.6. When on club sanctioned activities, members must be able to prove to the constabulary that the run/activity is indeed a club sanctioned event. Members are advised to keep a current copy of the Events Programme in their glove box for this purpose.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. A Historic vehicle must be 30 years of age or older as from its year of manufacture.
- 3.2. The registered operator must be a member of a RMS recognised Historic Vehicle Club. Proof of Club membership must be provided to the RMS prior to establishing or renewing conditional registration

4. VEHICLE ROADWORTHINESS

- 4.1. A vehicle operating under the HVS or CVS must be declared roadworthy by a

Safety Inspection Report (known as the pink slip) issued by an Authorised Inspection Station Examiner. (Blue slip is required for initial registration of a CVS vehicle)

- 4.2. Both the Pink Slip and the Historic Vehicle Declaration presented to the RMS for registration/renewal must be less than 42 days old.

5. VEHICLE USE

- 5.1. The vehicle may be used for Club Events, Events organised by another RMS recognised Club or a recognised Community Organisation provided an official invitation has been received and documented by the Club in the official minutes or the official day book. These events/trips do not need to be recorded in the RMS log book but an entry should be made in the vehicle's "diary".
- 5.2. Any Club member wishing to use their vehicle for the carriage of persons to or from a wedding or reception should check their legal obligation under the *Passenger transport Act 1990* with the Taxi and Hire Car Bureau of the Department of Transport, Parramatta on (02) 9689 8888. The Club must also authorise the use of the vehicle for this purpose.

6. CONDITIONS

- 6.1. Historic vehicles registered under the Conditional Registration Scheme are subject to the following conditions of operation:
 - 6.1.1. "Registered Operator must be a member of an authorized motoring club"
 - 6.1.2. "Use only in conjunction with an authorised club event or maintenance"
- 6.2. The Certificate of Operations, detailing the conditions applicable to the operation of the vehicle, must be carried in the vehicle whenever the vehicle is used on a road or a road related area.

7. GENERAL

- 7.1. Motor cars, tourers and limousines can only carry one person per seating position. Seat belts must be worn where fitted. Buses can carry only 7 passengers except for special events and with specific approval from the RMS.
- 7.2. Vehicles registered under the scheme may operate temporarily in other states and territories under the same conditions as apply in NSW. Temporarily is considered to be 3 months continuously.
- 7.3. Interstate vehicles (operating under a similar scheme in their home State/Territory) may be driven in NSW if they legally comply with the Rules and regulations of their Permit/Registration.

8. HVS ELIGIBILITY

- 8.1. Vehicles must be in as close to original condition as possible, with NO alterations except for safety features such as seatbelts, turn indicators or period accessories and options if desired.
- 8.2. The vehicle must be a minimum of thirty years old.

9. VEHICLE USE

- 9.1.** Vehicles must display Conditional Registration Number Plates (“H Plates for trucks and cars, G plates for motorbikes”).
- 9.2.** Vehicles can also be used on a road or road related area for non-club events i.e., personal or maintenance use, provided an entry is recorded in the official RMS Log Book. Only one entry is required for a 24 hour period. Maximum usage under this rule is sixty (60) days per year (the vehicles registration year)
- 9.3.** In accordance with the RMS current logbook rules, maintenance days must be captured in the RMS log book
- 9.4.** Where a member leaves a club event en route then if the return journey does not fall within the club organised event it needs to be captured as part of the 60 days under the RMS logbook.
- 9.5.** Logbooks will be subject to regular (at least annual) review by the committee.

Additional rules for Classic Vehicle Scheme (CVS) vehicles

10. ELIGIBILITY

- 10.1. Vehicle must have a Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) of less than 3.5 tonnes
- 10.2. Vehicle modifications, other than manufacturer supplied options and period accessories are permitted subject to RMS requirements. (see rule 13)
- 10.3. The vehicle must be a minimum of thirty years old

11. VEHICLE ROADWORTHINESS

- 11.1. Initial registration of a CVS vehicle requires an Authorised Unregistered Vehicle Inspection (Blue slip) issued by an Authorised Inspection Station Examiner.
- 11.2. For renewal of the registration a CVS vehicle must be declared roadworthy by a Safety Inspection Report (known as the pink slip) issued by an Authorized Inspection Station Examiner.

12. VEHICLE USE

- 12.1. Vehicles must display Conditional Registration Number Plates ("D plates").
- 12.2. Vehicles can also be used on a road or road related area for non-club events i.e., personal or maintenance use, provided an entry is recorded in the official RMS Log Book. Only one entry is required for a 24 hour period. Maximum usage under this rule is sixty (60) days per year (the vehicle's registration year)
- 12.3. In accordance with the RMS current logbook rules, maintenance days must be captured in the RMS log book
- 12.4. Where a member leaves a club event en route then if the return journey does not fall within the club organised event it needs to be captured as part of the 60 days under the RMS logbook.

13. PERMITTED MODIFICATIONS

- 13.1. RMS Rules take precedence. In all cases vehicle modifications must comply with the relevant RMS rules and requirements which take precedence over anything listed here.
- 13.2. Any modification must comply with VSB14 available from https://infrastructure.gov.au/vehicles/vehicle_regulation/bulletin/vsb_ncop.aspx
- 13.3. Certain modifications may be owner certified; this includes items that do not materially affect the safety of the vehicle and excludes items such as brakes, suspension and major engine modifications. See the RMS document VSI 06 available from <https://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/.../vsi-06-light-vehicle-modifications.pdf> for examples of permitted self-certified modifications.
- 13.4. RMS requires that all vehicles with *significant* modifications be examined by an authorised certifier and have a Vehicle Safety Compliance Certification Scheme (VSCCS) certificate issued. RMS no longer supports the old Engineering

Certification Scheme (ECS). A list of modifications requiring certification can be found in RMS document VSI 06.

- 13.5.** Vehicles previously certified under ECS may continue to be used provided the modifications are recorded in the RMS Drives System and are listed on the vehicles registration papers. Either V87 (modified vehicle) or G096 (modified as per report number) must be shown as special conditions on the registration papers. If this is not the case then a new VSCCS inspection and certificate will be required.
- 13.6.** Subsequent to initial CVS registration no further modifications should be made to the vehicle without the express consent of the Club Registrar.

MBHVA Historic Vehicle Guidelines

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. The Mollymook Beach Heritage Vehicle Association Inc. (referred to below as the Club) is committed to maintaining and supporting the Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS). The following Club notes have been prepared using the policies of the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS), Council of Motor Clubs (CMC) and the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs NSW (CHMC). These notes will provide guidance when preparing to register and when using a vehicle under the HVS or CVS schemes.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. All historic vehicles must be a minimum of 30 years old or older from year of manufacture. The final Arbitrator shall be the Club's Committee
- 2.2. All applicants must be an approved financial Club member
- 2.3. The use of the vehicle under the HVS scheme shall be explained to a new applicant, before commencement of membership and registration.

3. VEHICLE ROADWORTHINESS VEHICLE INSPECTION, INITIAL REGISTRATION AND RENEWALS

- 3.1. All vehicles must be roadworthy and undergo an annual safety check (Pink Slip) from an Authorised Inspection Station.
- 3.2. Under the HVS Scheme vehicles must as close to possible to original, that is without modifications. The Club Registrar is responsible for inspecting and confirming the originality of all vehicles. (For modified vehicles see the Classic Vehicle Scheme). Safety improvements e.g., turn indicator lights, automatic windscreen wipers (replacing manual) are permitted.
- 3.3. Club members must be financial before registration is affected
- 3.4. The definition of "period accessories" are accessories offered by the original vehicle manufacturer or aftermarket accessories available at the time new vehicles were available for sale by the manufacturer or within a reasonable period thereafter. In disputed cases the Club Committee will make a final and incontestable decision.
- 3.5. The definitions of "Options" are alternative choices offered by the manufacturer for version to define the specifications of a particular model. Typically, options include paint, trim, engine, gearbox, differential and wheels. In disputed cases the Club Committee will make a final and incontestable decision.
- 3.6. We have 4 Common Due Dates for HVS renewals,
 - 20th March
 - 17th May
 - 13th August
 - 14th November

This is set at time of initial registration and will be chosen to provide as close to 12 months of initial registration whilst adhering to one of the above dates.

- 3.7. The registered Operator takes responsibility for the roadworthiness and originality of the vehicle for its HVS registration term.
- 3.8. Chassis number, or VIN and engine numbers will form part of the identification of a Historic Vehicle.
- 3.9. The Club Registrar must be notified of any “proposed changes” to the vehicle before they are carried out.
- 3.10. LP gas conversion is allowed if it fits within the RMS guidelines
- 3.11. Sign writing on commercial vehicles is allowed if in line with policies outlined in this document.

4. USE OF VEHICLE

- 4.1. Historic vehicles, not participating in the log book, shall only be used for Club events (includes general meetings) as set out in our Club Calendar.
- 4.2. Events conducted by the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs or affiliated car clubs or other motor clubs (that are approved by the RMS to issue HRCS plates), to which an official written invitation has been received by our Club and the event approved by our Club are allowed.
- 4.3. When a Secondary Club has been listed on the vehicles RMS' 1259 form (this can only be done at initial registration or at a renewal), you can run on any of their Listed Club Events. As a matter of courtesy, a brief notification to our Club Register of your attendance would be welcomed.
- 4.4. The Club strongly supports local community events and any invitations accepted by our Club are deemed to be Club events and your participation is strongly encouraged.
- 4.5. Similarly any funeral of a club member will be deemed a Club Event and Vehicles on HVS and CVS plates are encouraged to attend.
- 4.6. Journeys, necessary for the servicing of HVS registered Club vehicles, are allowed and must go by the most direct route from the garaging address to the service provider and return. If not utilizing an RMS issued log book an entry is to be made in the vehicle's diary for all such trips. Alternatively, an entry must be made in the official RMS log book.
- 4.7. For vehicles not utilizing the RMS Log Book journeys necessary for the road testing of the vehicle are allowed but journeys outside the 2538 and 2539 Postcode area are not allowed unless Club permission is first obtained. An entry is to be made in the vehicle's diary for all such trips. Additionally, all movements of a HVS registered Club vehicle are to be recorded in a diary kept in the vehicle's glove box. All entries to be entered before the journey and must show the time, the date, trip route, duration and reason for the trip. The diary must be produced to the Registrar when renewing the vehicle's registration.

- 4.8.** All movements of a Club vehicle outside the 2538 and 2539 Postcode area for service and or repairs may only be made after receiving permission from the Club Plate register (or other committee member). This movement to be recorded twice, once in the vehicle's diary and secondly be recorded in the Club's records (day book) by the person authorising the trip, both entries showing details of time, date, destination, duration and reason for the trip. Alternatively an entry must be made in the official RMS log book where available.
- 4.9.** Members residing outside the 2538 and 2539 Postcode areas have a 10 kilometre range from their vehicles RMS notified garaged address and all movements must be recorded in the car's diary before the journey showing the time, the date, destination, duration and reason for the trip. These movements do not have to be reported to the Plate Register.
- 4.10.** Members residing outside the 2538 and 2539 Postcode area, all movements of a member's vehicle, not participating in the log book trial, outside of the 10 kilometre range from their vehicles RMS notified garaged address for service and or repairs may only be made after receiving permission from the Club Registrar (or other committee member). This movement to be recorded twice, once in the vehicle's diary and secondly be recorded in the Club's records (day book) by the person authorising the trip, both entries showing details of time, date, destination, duration and reason for the trip. Additionally, if participating in the log book trial an entry must be made in the official RMS log book.
- 4.11.** A test run to the local shop to buy some milk or similar, is not considered a road test and will be looked at very harshly and will lead to cancellation of registration.
- 4.12.** Use of a HVS registered vehicle for Weddings is allowed if the following are followed
- Permission must be granted from the Club at a general meeting,
 - Weddings for family members also require this permission.
 - No type of remuneration is to change hands, the transport is a favour and must be for no fee.
- 4.13.** The committee may make a periodic check of HCRS vehicle's diary
- 4.14.** Loading of goods carrying vehicles is allowed to 66% of the vehicle's capacity, provided the goods carried are the registered owner's personal property or the property of Club or the property of the Club's invited guests.
- 4.15.** Historic Vehicles without seat belts can be used to transport children between 12 months and 7 years of age provided you have obtained and are carrying written advice from an authorised engineering signatory that states it is not reasonably practical to install seat belts and/or child restraints. Any passenger 12 months or under in age must be carried in an approved child restraint.

5. RESPONSIBILITY OF CLUB MEMBERS

- 5.1.** All inquiries must be directed to the Club Plate Registrar. Individual approaches to the RMS will be referred back to the Club Plate register.
- 5.2.** Plates must be immediately returned to the RMS and our Club Registrar notified:

- In the event of the sale of the vehicle
 - Upon the members' resignation from the Club
 - Upon the member's failure to remain a financial member
 - If the Club Plate Register considers the vehicle has been made unsafe or altered after inspection.
 - At the directive of a Club Committee decision.
- 5.3.** The registered Operator (or the registered operator's nominated driver) must record all movements on public roads in a diary kept in the vehicle. The record to show date, times start and duration, type of outing and itinerary. The entry is to be made before the start of the outing.
- 5.4.** Club vehicles using the road network are required to have documentation, in the glove box, that shows
- 5.4.1. Proof of Club use of vehicle, this is the mauve Certificate of Approved Operations form you received when you first registered the vehicle.
 - 5.4.2. Details of a trip to an authorised repair centre, with a diary entry before the trip Details of maintenance Run, with a diary entry before the trip.
 - 5.4.3. Details of an Invitation to another Club's event that has Details of a Secondary Club's events Calendar. (if nominated on the vehicle's 1259 Form
- Details of an event listed on a mobile device are acceptable.
- 5.5.** Club membership, HVS and CVS registration are granted in the belief that member's prime intended use is for club outings and secondly, the conservation of the vehicle in its original condition. The Committee retains the right to reconsider eligibility for initial registration and/or renewal.
- 5.6.** To abide by all laws and regulations as set down by the RMS.

6. GENERAL

For other references and for updates, these can be obtained from the websites of the

- Roads and Marine Services (RMS) www.rms.nsw.gov.au
- Council of Heritage Motoring Clubs CHMC, (Bush Council). www.bushcouncil.com.au
- Council of Motor Clubs CMC www.councilofmotorclubs.org.au