

The Veteran Car Club of South Australia Inc.

P.O. Box 193
Unley BC SA 5061



Member of the Association of Veteran Car Clubs in Australia (AVCCA)

VETERAN AND VINTAGE VEHICLES INSPECTION FOR CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION

Members presenting vehicles for inspection continue to have problems with Inspectors being unfamiliar with the rules which apply to our vehicles. It was simpler when there was only one class of eligible vehicles. Now, in addition to restored vehicles, they have to deal with hot rods and street machines. These new categories require different standards, and as there would be so few genuine historics presenting it is not surprising that they may not be aware of the differences. The Departmental hierarchy do know the application of the various requirements but unfortunately they are not present when the problems arise. This leaflet, if taken to the inspection, may help to guide the inspector. The relevant provisions are found in the ROAD TRAFFIC (Light Vehicles) Rules, 2013 Division 3, Sub-division 2, Section 16(f).

MUDGUARDS

S.34 There is no age exemption, there could be an exemption if the vehicle construction makes it impractical and the vehicle is not driven over 40kph.

LIGHTING

Section 71 says lighting specs applies only at night except for those vehicles required to have stop and turning lights.

- S.79 Vehicles built before 1931 and are driven at night need only a single beam capable of lighting the road for 12 metres.
- S.83 All vehicles must have at least one tail light visible for 200 metres.
- S.87 All vehicles must have a number plate light so that the number plate is visible for at least 20 metres.
- S.95 Brake lights are required for vehicles built after 1934.
- S.98 Turning indicators are required for vehicles built after 1966
- S.101 Turning indicators before 1973 can be red or yellow at rear.

BRAKING

- S.125 Specifications as to distances apply to vehicles built after 1930
- S.126 Vehicles built after 1945 must have 4 wheel brakes

RESTORED VEHICLES

S.148 Restored vehicles are those restored as near as practicable to manufacturers specifications and are deemed to be of the date originally made, not the date restored.