

MANUFACTURERS PLATE & TRAILER ID NUMBER

APPLICATION

Manufacturers Plate

This inspection applies to all wheeled Goods vehicles first used on or after 1 January 1968, and wheeled trailers manufactured on or after 1 January 1968 that has an unladen weight exceeding 1,020 kg.

Trailer ID Number

- Trailers manufactured before 29 October 2012 are required to have an NI Number affixed to the chassis.
- Trailers manufactured on or after 29 October 2012 and prior to 29 October 2013 may have either an Approval/Consent Number or a NI Number affixed to the chassis.
- Trailers manufactured on or after 29 October 2013 are required to have an Approval/Consent Number affixed to the chassis.

Note: - In the case of Special Purpose Trailers substitute 29 October 2014 for the date 29 October 2013 above.

PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS

Manufacturers Plate

A visual inspection should be carried out to ensure that a vehicle is equipped with a plate securely attached to the vehicle in a conspicuous and readily accessible position, which either meets the requirements of the Construction and Use Regulations **or** the requirements of the appropriate Community Directive.

Requirements of the Construction and Use Regulations

Particulars to be shown on plates for **motor vehicles**

1. Manufacturers name
2. Vehicle type
3. Engine type and power
NOTE: (1) The power need only be shown if vehicle is fitted with a Compression Ignition engine, and first used after 1/10/1972)
4. Chassis or serial number

5. Number of axles
6. Maximum axle weight for each axle (design)
7. Maximum gross weight (design)
8. Maximum train weight (design)
9. Maximum weight in UK for each axle (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if first used between 19/7/1999 and 1/11/2002.
NOTE: (2) If first used after 19 July 1999 this may be displayed as 'maximum authorised weight' for each axle (weights determined in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Authorised weight) Regulations (NI))
10. Maximum gross weight in UK (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if first used between 19/7/1999 and 1/11/2002.
NOTE: (2) If first used after 19 July 1999 this may be displayed as 'maximum authorised weight' (weights determined in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Authorised weight) Regulations (NI))
11. Maximum train weight in UK (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if first used between 19/7/1999 and 1/11/2002.

Particulars to be shown on plates for **trailers**

1. Manufacturer's name
2. Chassis or serial number
3. Number of axles
4. Maximum weight for each axle (design)
5. Maximum load imposed on drawing vehicle (design)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if no load is imposed on the drawing vehicle).
6. Maximum gross weight (design)
7. Maximum weight in UK for each axle (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if manufactured before 1/10/1972)
NOTE: (2) If manufactured after 19 July 1999 this may be displayed as 'maximum authorised weight' for each axle (weights determined in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Authorised weight) Regulations (NI)).
8. Maximum gross weight in UK (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required if manufactured before 1/10/1972 or is a semi-trailer)
NOTE: (2) If manufactured after 19 July 1999 this may be displayed as 'maximum authorised weight' (weights determined in accordance with the Motor Vehicles (Authorised weight) Regulations (NI)).

9. Year of manufacture (legal)

NOTE: (1) This is not required if trailer is manufactured before 1/4/1970)

Requirements of the Community Directive

Particulars to be shown on plates for **motor vehicles**

1. Manufacturers name
2. EEC Type Approval Number
NOTE: (1) Instead this may show a national type approval number, which can either be on the manufactures plate or a separate plate.
3. Vehicle identification Number
4. Maximum axle weight for each axle (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required if the design weight is higher than the legal weight.
5. Maximum gross weight (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required if the design weight is higher than the legal weight.
6. Maximum train weight (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required if the design weight is higher than the legal weight.
7. Maximum weight in UK for each axle (legal)
8. Maximum gross weight in UK (legal)
9. Maximum train weight in UK (legal)

Particulars to be shown on plates for **Trailers**

1. Manufacturers name
2. EEC Type Approval Number
NOTE: (1) Instead this may show a national type approval number, which can either be on the manufactures plate or a separate plate.
3. Vehicle identification Number
4. Maximum axle weight for each axle (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required if the design weight is higher than the legal weight.
5. Maximum gross weight (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required if the design weight is higher than the legal weight, except in the case of a semi-trailer where the design weight must be displayed.

6. Maximum load imposed on drawing vehicle (design)
NOTE: (1) This is only required for semi-trailers.
7. Maximum weight in UK for each axle (legal)
8. Maximum gross weight in UK (legal)
NOTE: (1) This is not required for semi-trailers.

Trailer ID Number

Visually check to ensure that the trailer is equipped with either an Approval/Consent Number or a NI Number, permanently and securely attached to the trailer chassis in a conspicuous and readily accessible position.

REASONS FOR FAILURE

	Deficiency Category
1. Manufacturers Plate	
a. plate missing	MAJOR
b. plate insecure	MAJOR
c. information on plate illegible	MAJOR
d. wrong information on plate	MAJOR
e. plate not complying with relevant legislation	MAJOR
f. plate inaccessible	MAJOR
2. Trailer ID Number	
a. Approval/Consent or NI Number missing	MAJOR
b. Approval/Consent or NI Number not permanently attached to the chassis or main structure of the trailer	MINOR
c. Approval/Consent or NI Number illegible	MAJOR
d. Approval/Consent or NI Number inaccessible	MAJOR
e. Approval/Consent or NI Number incorrect	MAJOR