

year for sub-standard inspections. On both occasions structural defects were identified by Transport Inspectors resulting in both matters being fully investigated and put before the AIS Review Panel whose role is to review the investigation and make recommendations to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. A decision was made by the Registrar on both occasions to suspend the Examiners.

It is disappointing to say the least after all the training and the information provided, a small number of MBEs still want to run the risk of failing to complete a proper structural inspection. What chances have you got of getting away with conducting a sub standard inspection? Think about it?

9. Damage codes

New damage codes were introduced on 1 July 2013 which saw significant changes to vehicles classified as either a SWO or RWO resulting in changes being made to the MRS link which now includes:-

- SRS certificate required Y/N?
- Water immersed certificate required Y/N?
- Repair diary required? Y/N

You will recall that I provided a copy of a "reference guide for SWO damage assessment criteria" in Information bulletin, issue 2, December 2012 which explained the

new damage criteria/codes.

10. Reminder

AMBRIS Proprietors are reminded that they are responsible for and need to have their MBE's sign the attached "AMBRIS Information Bulletin" declaration signifying that they fully understand any new requirements or instructions in this edition of the bulletin. Sole Proprietors still need to sign off the declaration.

11. Questions

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1. Introduction

Welcome to the fourth edition (issue 4) of the AMBRIS Information Bulletin.

2. Version 4 disk

Enclosed with this information bulletin is the version 4 AMBRIS disk for Proprietors to distribute to their Motor Body Examiners (MBEs). Proprietors are reminded to destroy their version 3 disk/s on receipt of the new disk/s. Amendments to the disk include:

- Introduction of new AMBRIS form/documentation:
 - AMBRIS 7- checklist sheet
 - AMBRIS 8 - order form
 - AMBRIS 9 - sample blank diary
- Chapter 10 New sample completed repair diary
- Chapter 11-amendments to reasons for rejection

Proprietors/MBEs are reminded to

make themselves familiar with the amendments in the manual.

3. AMBRIS training

It was pleasing to see the majority of MBEs have completed mandatory training conducted by Bill Scully and Ashley Bourne in June. I would like to personally thank them both for the time and effort they put into the training sessions.

I was mindful of the fact that the last night would be interesting when repair diaries and reasons for rejection were discussed, but on the whole it went well and I left both sessions satisfied that we had addressed issues identified and, more importantly, the positive feedback received from the group. Thank you.

Finally I am sure the MBEs in the South were grateful of Dean arranging the Pizzas!!!!

4. Version 5 structural report

It was brought to our attention during the training that there was an error in the structural report when indicating that the inspection was as a result of a "defect notice". By now you would have received the amended version 5 electronic structural report regarding defect notice clearances. Changes made were as follows:-

- RWO date is no longer mandatory for defect notices
- An option N/A has been added to the three measurement fields for defect notices only

On receipt of the amended report please ensure that you delete the

version 4 structural report from your computer after loading the new report.

5. AMBRIS workgroup

You will recall that matters raised during the recent training course saw the need to form a small working group to meet and discuss the issues raised and make recommendations to the AIS Compliance Unit. I am pleased to announce that the following personnel will form the workgroup.
Russell Clark - Chair
Bill Scully - TAFE Tasmania
Craig Carey - AMBRIS representative
Dean Midgley- AMBRIS representative

The workgroup will meet in October in Launceston to discuss the following:-

- Checklist for RWO on purchase on receipt of purchase
- MBE checklist for inspecting vehicles
- Review reasons for rejection in procedures manual

I expect these matters will not be fully addressed on the day and another meeting will be convened to address any remaining issues. I will provide feedback to Proprietors of the meetings and recommendations.

If you believe you would like to be involved in the workgroup please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss.

6. Vehicle checklist books

At the training in June I advised that I was proposing to introduce a vehicle inspection checklist book to be used by MBEs undertaking structural reports. The checklist would closely follow the reasons for rejection outlined in the procedures manual.

I have completed a draft version of the checklist and have forwarded the list to the workgroup for discussion. It is proposed to introduce the checklist book in January 2014. It will be mandatory for MBEs to complete the checklist when undertaking inspections and will be checked for compliance during routine or scheduled audits.

I have included the draft checklist in the procedures manual, the final version will be in booklet form and will be issued free of charge to all MBEs. An order form has been included in the manual and will need to be completed and forwarded to AIS Compliance unit when MBEs require a replacement book.

7. Repair diaries

I understand there has been a marked improvement in the quality of repair diaries being presented to Transport Inspectors for WOVV inspections.

If you have concerns regarding a diary please call me to discuss. Thank you for your continued support and insistence that repair diaries continue to meet the required standards.

8. Investigations

It is disappointing to report that two MBEs have been suspended this