



## **BMW Car Club Victoria, Club Permit Registration Policy**

**July 2018**

### **Objectives**

The Club Permit scheme, or Club Rego, allows members of car clubs that are recognised by VicRoads, including BMWCCV, to make limited use of historic vehicles on the road network. Vehicles must be at least 25 years old to participate in the scheme. Financial members of the BMW Car Club of Victoria Inc. (BMWCCV) are able to apply for either a 45 or 90 day permit depending on how much use of their vehicles is expected over the 12 month period.

We recommend you further read the full VicRoads requirements on their website at:

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/registration/limited-use-permits/club-permit-scheme>

### **General Requirements**

The BMWCCV policy and processes must be followed for members to gain approval for a car to be accepted on the Club Permit Scheme and the following criteria must be met:

- Applicants for a Club Permit must be a financial member before submitting an application.
- Vehicles submitted for a Club Permit must be 25 years old, (as per the date on the Australian Compliance plate, not the build date)
- The vehicle must be well presented and reflect that the owner is an enthusiast.
- Modifications to the vehicle are limited as noted below, and the car must be in a satisfactory condition, this will vary from car to car, but in general cars must be in good roadworthy condition with acceptable bodywork and paint, the interior and engine bay should be neat and tidy, and the car must be mechanically sound.
- The vehicle must be garaged in Victoria, this allows for interstate members to register their car under Victorian Laws.
- Club Permit registered vehicles are able to be used anywhere in Australia under the Club Permit conditions; i.e. logbook is carried and filled in when driven.
- The owner must remain a financial member of the BMWCCV for the Club Permit Registration to be valid. This means that if you don't renew your membership you cannot renew your permit, as each year your renewal must be signed by the BMWCCV Authorised Officer.
- Club Permits can be revoked by the BMWCCV Authorised Officer if you are not a financial member of BMWCCV or if, in the opinion of the BMWCCV Authorised Officer, the vehicle, or its use, no longer complies with the requirements of the Club Permit Scheme.

BMWCCV will expect to see the car (and member) at least once a year at a club event, whether it be our social meetings, our club meetings, or one of the motor sports events.

When a Club Plated car and member attends an event to satisfy the once per year event attendance rule, the member should have their VicRoads Log Book signed by a committee member as proof of attendance. You will be required to show evidence of this at the annual renewal by presenting your signed Log Book. Alternatively, you can have your car inspected at time of renewal to confirm its continued eligibility.

The BMWCCV have nominated Rod Smith as the Authorised Officer, to perform the Vehicle Inspections, maintain the Club Register including a Register of Photographs of each vehicle.

### **Vehicle Requirements**

The vehicles modifications and general condition must conform to satisfactory standards as expected by the BMWCCV and VicRoads and it should be noted that the Club Permit Scheme is not designed to allow unroadworthy vehicles to be driven on the roads. Therefore, cars should be presented and kept in a condition that would be expected of any vehicle on the road.

Engine modifications must only be mild, engine swaps are acceptable where manufacturer, number of cylinders and capacity is not significantly greater than standard, wildly worked engines that are not streetable will not be accepted. In the case of a significantly larger engine swap an Engineer's Report would be accepted as per normal registration requirements. Exhaust noise must be at a level suitable for road use.

Wheel, brake and suspension upgrades should be sensible and streetable, the ride height must be such that no component of the undercarriage would contact the road if a tyre was flat, generally 100mm clearance as per roadworthy laws, tyres must be road legal type and not protrude past the body work.

Completely stripped interiors are not acceptable. This means that the dashboard down to steering column height must remain in place, two front seats must be in place, all door trims must be in place, roll cages are acceptable as long as they are well padded, CAMS Approved and in accordance with VicRoads regulations, racing harness are acceptable in place of regular seat belts if they are ADR approved.

For any questions on modifications and what should be 'engineered' please call the Authorised Officer and discuss.

The body work should be in good condition with no rust or damage and the paint a uniform colour, spoiler and wheel arch flares should not be excessive, in general the car should be well presented and safe to be driven on the roads and reflect that the owner is an enthusiast.

Any Modified cars will need an Engineers Certificate as well as a Certificate of Roadworthiness and will be issued with "M" plates instead of "H" Plates.

Any modifications you make to the vehicle after it has been accepted into the scheme will need to be cleared with the BMWCCV Authorised Officer, the vehicle may need to be presented for an additional Vehicle Inspection by a BMWCCV Authorised Officer and you may need to obtain an Engineer's Report and Certificate of Roadworthiness and change to "M" plates.

For further information, please check latest VicRoads requirements on their website at:

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/registration/limited-use-permits/club-permit-scheme>

### **New Applications:**

All new applications for vehicles built after 1949 will need to be inspected and/or photographed as well as being fully roadworthy, and if modified, have a VASS certificate for any modifications. There will be no exceptions to this process.

- When signing new club permit applications, club safety officers/scrutineers will be required to sign a Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declaration form declaring that the vehicle is eligible for use on the road and that it meets the applicable requirements for the category of vehicle for which the club permit is sought.
- Initial club permit applications (not renewals) for vehicles manufactured from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1949 will need to be accompanied by a current Certificate of Roadworthiness. (not more than 28 days old)
- For pre-1949 vehicles, a Certificate of Roadworthiness can be provided or the club, at the discretion of the BMWCCV Authorised Officer, may conduct their own safety inspection based on VicRoads' guidelines.
- New modification guidelines specified in the Guidelines for modifications to vehicles operated under Victoria's Club Permit apply.
- If an initial club permit application is submitted for a vehicle that is modified outside of the appropriate modification guidelines, a Vehicle Assessment Signatory Scheme (VASS) approval certificate covering the modifications must be provided with the permit application.
- An "M" club permit plate will be issued to identify modified vehicles where a VASS certificate has been provided.
- Before you take your car for the inspection you must ensure that it is in a safe condition for road use and that all the componentry is in good working order, you have a current Certificate of Roadworthiness, completed application form and your current membership card.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to maintain their vehicle at a good standard.

### **Registration Renewals:**

Club Permit Registration renewals must be signed by the BMWCCV Authorised Officer or one of the approved BMWCCV signatories.

To find the current signatories, refer to the **BMWCCV Club Permit Registration Procedures** document.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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As approved by BMWCCV Committee