## NZ Safety Alert - Skid Plates / King Pins - Operator statement



If you have an interest in the maintenance of heavy motor vehicles particularly in relation to skid plates and kingpins, read on.

Amongst the amendments to the In-Service VIRM coming into effect on 1 November 2018 is a change to the inspection and maintenance procedure for skid plates and kingpins as fitted to heavy trailers.

From this date the vehicles operator / service provider is going to have to present a completed NZTA 4085B Operator statement of skid plate inspection and maintenance form.

The reason behind this requirement is to assist with the early detection and allow for remedial action of wear, cracks, deformation, and corrosion to the skid plate and king pin.

At this time the NZTA 4085B form is only available from the NZTA website. A link can be found here <a href="https://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/resources/operator-statement-of-skid-plate-inspection-and-maintenance-form/Operator-statement-of-skid-plate-inspection-and-maintenance-form.pdf">https://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/resources/operator-statement-of-skid-plate-inspection-and-maintenance-form/Operator-statement-of-skid-plate-inspection-and-maintenance-form.pdf</a>

It is currently not available in a duplicate format like the NZTA 4085A (Operator Statement of Compliance with the maintenance requirements of NZS 5450:1989 form). We recommend you make a copy for your records until the duplicate format is available.

Should you have any queries with regards to this , please do not hesitate to contact John Holderness

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**Kind Regards** 

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