

CIRCULAR 79/02-3-1

INTERPRETATIONS

Interpretation No 1 (Appendix A, Clause 1.1.7)

Question: Appendix A, Clause 1.1.7 States: Vehicles of category M1, M2 or N1 equipped with

compression-ignition engines or equipped with positive-ignition engines fuelled with NG or LPG are not subject to this Regulation provided they have been type-approved to ADR

80/02 or 80/03.

Does this mean that vehicles to which ADR 79/02 is applicable can demonstrate

compliance by submitting engine test results to ADR 80/02 or 80/03?

Answer: No.

This clause is applicable to vehicle designs that have been initially approved to ADR 80/02 or 80/03 and have had a variation of the design that reduces the GVM to 3.5 tonnes or less.

Therefore, if a vehicle design with a GVM greater than 3.5 tonnes has been certified to ADR 80/02 or 80/03, a variant of that design with a GVM of 3.5 tonnes or less may be type approved by demonstrating compliance to ADR 79/02 under the following conditions:

- The basic vehicle design is the same (e.g. body shape, wheelbase, number of axles etc.);
- When compared to the engine meeting ADR 80/02 or 80/03, the engine installed in the variant for which ADR 79/02 certification is sought fulfils the criteria 4.2 of Circular 79/01-2-1.