

## ***Classic Rego – some of your questions answered***

With a growing number of classic Celicas hitting their 30th birthday, we figured some information from the Transport Department's website might be very helpful.

The committee also discussed recently—and have come up with a policy to deal with—requests from owners wanting to obtain 'classic rego' for their cars.

### ***Club Policy on supporting 'classic rego'***

The committee felt that a number of criteria should apply to club members wanting the **Dating Certificate** and **Club Membership** to qualify for the reduced registration:

- attendance at least two events after or before applying for club membership
- been a member of the club for at least 3 months
- allow time for the committee to assess requests
- allow the committee to exercise its discretion if criteria haven't been met
- applies to Queensland registered cars only.

### ***Special Interest Vehicle Scheme***

Your classic Toyota may be your pride and joy, but it can still be annoying to have to pay full registration for a car that you rarely drive on the road. The Special Interest Vehicle Scheme provides registration concession scheme for special categories of motor vehicles, motorbikes, trailers and tractors that have limited use on the road.

The types of vehicles eligible are:

- Vehicles (including tractors) at least 30 years old;
- Historic ambulances and Fire-fighting equipment;
- Street Rods. (Street Rods are vehicles that have been modified for road use and have a body and frame built before 1949, or is a replica)

### ***Registering your vehicle***

Normal registration procedures still apply for your vehicle as well as some additional requirements. In essence, registration requirements are:

- completing a vehicle registration application
- completing a concessional registration application
- obtaining a compulsory third party insurance (for a special interest vehicle)
- providing the original of a current Safety Certificate;
- weighbridge certificate (only if your car weighs over 4.5 tonnes - does any Toyota?)
- providing proof of origin of the vehicle. For example, an old registration certificate or previous Queensland registration number

- providing the usual evidence of identity (e.g. your drivers licence or passport)
- providing evidence of the vehicles garage address: such as a licence, council rates bill, gas, electricity or telephone bill etc

### ***Special conditions***

Conditions apply when these vehicles have been registered on a concession. The owner must then continue to comply with the conditions when using their vehicle. These conditions are:

- **Club Membership:** Registered operators are expected to retain current membership of an incorporated car club. Evidence of current membership with the club must be provided when applying for registration.
- **Dating Certificate:** The vehicle will need to be inspected by a club official of an incorporated car club to certify that the vehicle was manufactured not less than 30 years ago. This certificate must be on club letterhead or other official club documentation, will need to be presented when applying for a registration.

### ***Restricted vehicle use***

Vehicles registered under the Special Interest Vehicle Scheme have certain limitations placed on their use:

Participating in rallies organised by properly incorporated car clubs

- participating in processions for which a Special Event Permit has been issued
- exhibiting the vehicle in displays, fetes or similar functions conducted for religious, charitable or educational purposes
- use for ceremonial purposes involving immediate family members, for example weddings or school formals provided this is not done for a fee or reward
- preparing for, proceeding to, and returning from the above activities
- travel in order to have the vehicle repaired. There is no distance restriction however such travel must be reasonable and openly justified by the vehicle owner
- road testing within a 15 kilometre radius from the place where the vehicle is garaged.

Registered operators of vehicles registered under the Special Interest Vehicle Scheme are issued a standard size number plate with the letter/numbering in the format "S 12345". Another option is to attach a personalised plate.

Transport Department website info:

[www.transport.qld.gov.au/Home/Registration/Motor\\_vehicles/Street\\_rods\\_and\\_vintage\\_cars](http://www.transport.qld.gov.au/Home/Registration/Motor_vehicles/Street_rods_and_vintage_cars)