



The Honourable Scott Emerson MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1975-12 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 13 November 2012 about the introduction of the National Code of Practice for Light Vehicles Construction and Modification (the NCOP) in Queensland.

I am pleased to advise that use of the NCOP commenced in Queensland on 1 November 2012.

Adoption of the NCOP was identified by the Department of Transport and Main Roads as an initiative that would deliver on the government's commitment to reducing red tape for Queensland vehicle operators by allowing for the certification of a greater range of common modifications to light vehicles by members of private industry, rather than a government department. Additionally, the NCOP also identifies a number of minor and basic modifications, which can be undertaken without the need for any formal approval.

In addition to the NCOP, the department also developed the Queensland Code of Practice – Vehicle Modifications (QCOP), which provides for modifications and vehicle ratings that are unique to Queensland and are not provided in either the NCOP or National Code of Practice for Heavy Vehicle Modifications.

Additional information about the NCOP, QCOP and the transition from the previous Code of Practice – Light Vehicle is available from <http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/Safety/Vehicle-standards-and-modifications/Vehicle-modifications/Light-vehicle-modifications.aspx>.

Yours sincerely

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