

# Registration of Manufacturer for Vehicle Type-Approval

## Background

1. According to Section 24 of Road Traffic Ordinance, the Commissioner may refuse to register any motor vehicle which is not roadworthy or does not comply with vehicle design standards or noise emission standards. The Commissioner may refuse to register a motor vehicle by reason of its design or construction or otherwise the vehicle is not suitable for registration in that class etc.
2. According to Section 53 of the Road Traffic Ordinance that no person shall sell, supply or hire a motor vehicle for delivery in such a condition that the use hereof on a road would contravene any provision of the Ordinance with respect to the construction or weight of the vehicle or its equipment.
3. To facilitate the trade in applying for volume production vehicles for first registration, the Transport Department has been adopting a type approval mechanism for authorized dealers.
4. The objective of the type approval mechanism is to pre-scrutinize the design and construction of a new vehicle model / type and offer a sample check service on the essential features of the new vehicle model / type to confirm that the vehicle conforms to relevant regulations before the new vehicle model / type could be offered for sale and subsequent registration. A Type Approval Certificate is issued against the inspected sample of the vehicle model / type concerned if it meets relevant regulations. The Type Approval Certificate also serves as a proving document for conformance of relevant regulations.
5. To obtain the application form and material, please contact the following :
  - Bus – Tel. 3961 0324
  - Non-bus – Tel. 3961 0362