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TO ALL HOME DISTRIBUTORS AND DEALERS

Item 1 U.K. MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT REGULATIONS ON VEHICLE BRAKES AND 'PLATING'

Since Land-Rover Service News Letter, Vol. 2, No. 26A was issued, certain amendments have been made to Item 1.2.1—'Plating'.

The amended version of Item 1.2.1 is given below in full. All recipients of this News Letter are requested to make a suitable cross-reference in News Letter No. 26A to ensure that only the modified version is used.

For your convenience the amendments on the corrected item below are shown underlined.

1.2.1

Plating

On all goods vehicles, the manufacturer must attach, in a conspicuous position, a weight plate which states:

Max. Front Axle	} Weights in tons and decimals
Max. Rear Axle	
Max. Gross Vehicle	
Max. Train Weight	
Maker's Name	Chassis No.
Year of Manufacture	Engine Type
Vehicle Model	No. of Axles

A Ministry of Transport plate must be fitted in the cab by the OPERATOR, which will set out the same or lower weight at which the vehicle has been tested and approved by the Ministry. A plating certificate will also be issued.

Certain vehicles are exempt as follows:

- (i) Vehicles used by Local Authorities for street cleaning and collection of refuse.
- (ii) Vehicles designed for servicing aircraft at airports.
- (iii) **Dual purpose vehicles** (see 1.3.3 in Land-Rover News Letter Vol. 2, No. 26A).
- (iv) Certain vehicles converted with permanent installations.

NOTE: Plates fitted by manufacturers will carry no legal force, though legally required. It will be an offence to exceed the weight figures on the Ministry plates.

Testing

Ministry Testing Stations will be introduced to test all 'plated' vehicles, whilst M.O.T. Approved Garages will continue, as now, the testing scheme for three-year-old vehicles, including passenger cars and **dual purpose vehicles**.

The Ministry propose to issue widespread publicity before testing of plated vehicles starts, and it seems probable that all vehicles will be tested once and plated before 1970, and annually thereafter. Vehicles registered after 1st January 1968 will require plates (for which the OPERATOR will have to apply to some central Registry) and will be tested either in the latter part of 1969 or early 1970.