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ITEM: 152

SUBJECT: Conversion of European vehicles to U.S. specification (Policy item).

REMARKS: In Land-Rover Service Newsletter Vol. 3, No. 17, Item 116, we advised that our model range includes vehicles which fully comply with the U.S. Federal requirements in respect of both anti-pollution and safety standards, and therefore it is our policy that conversions from other specifications shall not be undertaken.

Although we are not altering our policy in this matter it is felt that Distributors and Dealers may wish to be aware of the salient points in the latest amendment to 'Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards'.

As from the 10.6.1971, a vehicle is not permitted entry into the United States, if it was built on or after 1.1.1968, unless (with certain exceptions) it conforms with applicable safety standards, which were in operation at the time of manufacture. The exceptions are as follows:-

A vehicle will not be refused entry if a label or tag is permanently affixed to the vehicle by the original manufacturer in accordance with the appropriate section of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, or if the Vehicle bears a label or tag permanently affixed providing exemption from meeting certain safety standards by the Secretary of Transportation.

A vehicle not bearing the above certification will be refused entry, unless there is filed, at the time of entry and in duplicate, a declaration signed by the importer or consignee stating that:

1. Although the vehicle did not conform with applicable safety laws at the time of manufacture, it has since been brought into conformity, and details of the nature and extent of the work must be provided by the organisation who carried it out, or
2. Whilst the vehicle does not conform with applicable safety standards, it will be brought into conformity with such standards, and will not be sold or offered for sale until such work has been completed, and this will be subject to a time limit of 90 days, unless an additional period is allowed by the district director of customs in the light of extenuating circumstances.

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Should Distributors and Dealers be approached by U.S.A. citizens who own vehicles which do not conform with applicable safety standards, they are strongly advised, owing to the complex nature of the regulations, to recommend disposal of their present vehicle in the country concerned and the purchase of a replacement (through The Rover Company, Personal Export scheme in U.K.) or alternatively, to delay purchase until such time as they return to the U.S.A. Either course of action will ensure that their vehicle is to the required specification.

CONVERSION OF EUROPEAN VEHICLES TO U.S. SPECIFICATION (POLICY ITEM).

ITEM: 153

SUBJECT: DISTRIBUTOR CONTACT BREAKER POINTS

MODELS: Land-Rover 2½ litre and 2.6 litre petrol.

P.C.M.I.
TRANSPARENCY: The information detailed in this item will be incorporated in the next available transparency.

LITERATURE
AFFECTED: Land Rover Parts Catalogue, Part No 605957, pages 83 and 131.

PART NUMBER: Contact breaker points, set 1 Unipart GCS 101

REMARKS: Owing to a difference in the length of the contact breaker pivot post it is not possible to fit the earlier, 2 piece type of contact breaker points to the latest type distributor.

When stocks of early parts are exhausted the latest 'Quikafit' contact breaker points, Unipart GCS 101, will be supplied for all replacements on early and late distributors.

ITEM: 154

SUBJECT: CARBURETTER

MODEL: Land-Rover 2.6 litre

MODIFICATION: Introduction of new type carburetter with different body casting, to facilitate manufacture.

P.C.M.I.
TRANSPARENCY: The information detailed in this item will be incorporated in the next available transparency

LITERATURE
AFFECTED: Land-Rover Parts Catalogue, Part No 605957, pages 123 and 127.

PART NUMBERS: Carburetter 1 596497
Air inlet elbow assembly 1 596495

IDENTIFICATION: The new carburetter has an additional hole in the joint face for the carburetter air inlet elbow.

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NUMBERS:

Engine serial numbers:

2.6 litre, 7.8:1 compression ratio, from 34523298B onwards

2.6 litre, 7.0:1 compression ratio, from 34600918B onwards

REMARKS:

Whilst the new air inlet elbow assembly, Part No. 596495 can be fitted to the earlier carburetter, the earlier air inlet elbow assembly, Part No. 568378 must not be fitted to the new carburetter.

When existing stocks of the early parts are exhausted only the latest parts will be supplied for all Service requirements.