Issuing Dating Certificates

Vehicles presented for registration with no logbook (either UK or foreign) should in the first instance obtain confirmation of its 'age' from the Manufacturer. Where this is not possible, DVLA may accept dating certificates from individuals who have the knowledge and expertise to date the vehicle.

Dating evidence should only be issued to a vehicle that:

- has not previously been registered in UK;
- the original registration is unknown/or there is insufficient information to support the re-issue of a particular number under the V765 scheme.

Any dating evidence must take the form of a letter or certificate and must state the source material that was used to determine the date, together of how you were able to link the vehicle to the source (e.g through inspection or photographs and rubbings).

Certificates should not be produced for any vehicle less than 25 years old unless the manufacturer is unable to assist.

If a dating certificate is issued, there should be no doubt surrounding the date of manufacture. DVLA must ensure accurate information is captured.

The vehicle should be complete and not just a rolling chassis.

Dating certificates are not linked to the V765 scheme. There is no list of DVLA approved experts.

Producing and signing a dating certificate means the individual has the knowledge and expertise to do so.

Do not give too much information - numerous pages of background information about the manufacturer is not needed!!

WHAT A DATING CERTIFICATE SHOULD CONTAIN:

Sian's Dating Services

Full club address and contact details

Including telephone/email details

DVLA
Swansea
SA6 7JL
Phone: 01792 123456
Fax:
Textphone:
www.gov.uk/browse/driving
@dvlagovuk
Your ref:

Our ref:

Certificate must contain the date it was produced

"DVLA will question if dated over 12 months old."

Date: September 2015

DATING EVIDENCE FOR – Clearly state vehicle VIN/Chassis/Frame Number

- **details of vehicle make,**
  - **vehicle model,**
  - **vehicle chassis number/VIN /Frame detail & Date of manufacture**
  - **The date of manufacture. – This must be worded so that date of manufacture is clear – without doubt**
- **Details of what information the club has used to date the vehicle including what data sources they have access to. Where possible provide extract of factory record.**
- **Important: need to specify if club has inspected – or have photographs or rubbings been provided? Where VIN/Frame/Chassis is not the original stamping or plate, we need to know this, if it has been re-stamped please indicate any details about this.**

Sian James **Clear name and signature of individual responsible for dating the vehicle.**

V765 SCHEME

AIMS

1. **To assist vehicle keepers in reuniting original historic vehicles with original registration numbers.**
2. **To ensure accuracy of vehicle records.**

CONDITIONS

1. **Club should inspect and where difficult seek photographs and rubbings of stamped in chassis/frame/engine and casting numbers. Vehicle should be complete, not just a rolling chassis.**
2. **Club must be satisfied that the evidence linking the vehicle with the number being claimed is genuine.**
3. **Authorised signatories should refuse applications relating to vehicles outside the scope of their club.**
4. **The authorised signatory for the club must be the person who signs the recommendation.**
5. **Where a club is in doubt about the vehicles originality or evidence, the application should be rejected to the customer, and copied to DVLA for information.**

Reconstructed classics

What is a reconstructed classic?

- Reconstructed classic category intended to support built up classic vehicles
- Vehicles built as a faithful reproduction of a classic vehicle using parts sources from more than one donor.

Scheme requirements:

- Comprises genuine period components, of same specification all over 25 years old
- Can't use replica or new components
- Club for the marque must confirm in writing;
  - Vehicle has been inspected
  - Is a true reflection of the marque
  - Ages of components (age related registration given based on youngest used)
- Registration number allocated on non-transferable basis
- DVLA allocated VIN