

Vehicle Safety and Standards

BULLETIN

To All Designated Inspection Facilities and Authorized Inspectors

Re: Identification and Inspection of vehicles with body style “CRUMMY” (CRUMY)

CVSE has learned that certain vehicles, commonly referred to as a CRUMMY or CREW VEHICLE may be operating on British Columbia highways in violation of vehicle equipment and safety standards. These vehicles are generally modified trucks with an additional passenger compartment or buses and are primarily used to transport passengers.

All vehicle equipment and safety standards are contained in the British Columbia Vehicle Inspection Manual, British Columbia *Motor Vehicle Act* (MVA), British Columbia *Motor Vehicle Act Regulations* (MVAR), applicable Canadian Standards Association documents (CSA) as well as the applicable safety standards in the *Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards* (CMVSS).

Some vehicles registered by ICBC with a noted body style of CRUMMY (CRUMY) may not have been manufactured or modified in accordance with CMVSS requirements. As a result, any additional passenger compartments or seating positions may not be compliant to transport persons while the vehicle is operating on highway. Vehicles modified in compliance with CMVSS will display a compliance label clearly indicating the vehicle and / or vehicle modifications meet all applicable standards on date of manufacture. The term CRUMMY is used to identify a particular vehicle body style for insurance and registration purposes only and is NOT a recognized vehicle type under CMVSS, MVA or MVAR.

Identification – Vehicle compliance information is located on the manufacturer’s decal affixed to the drivers door or drivers door post. Vehicles with a GVWR less than 4536 kgs. and manufactured as a TRUCK (TRU/CAM), will have a seating capacity of 10 or less and all seating positions will require seatbelts as per MVAR requirements. A vehicle that has been originally manufactured with a seating capacity more than 10 will display compliance information indicating vehicle type BUS (B/A). A vehicle modified or altered by an authorized secondary manufacturer to have a seating capacity more than 10, will display a compliance decal from that manufacturer indicating vehicle type BUS (B/A).

Inspection – Vehicles with a body style of CRUMMY and manufactured as a BUS (B/A) type are subject to mandatory semi-annual provincial inspection. Vehicles with a body style of CRUMMY and manufactured as a TRUCK may only transport persons in designated seating positions within the original passenger compartment while on highway and may be subject to inspection based on licensed GVW requirements.

MVA regulations are only applicable to registered vehicles operating on highway and any vehicle found to be improperly modified or operating in violation of regulations are subject to enforcement action.

Sample Photographs of vehicles with body style CRUMMY:



Further information on Vehicle Compliance Labels and requirements are available through Transport Canada at:

<http://www.tc.gc.ca/acts-regulations/GENERAL/m/mvsa/regulations/mvsrg/001/mvsr6-7.html>

Should any further information be required, please contact Brian Kangas, Program Coordinator, Vehicle Safety & Standards at (250) 953 – 4008 or brian.kangas@gov.bc.ca

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Gilks".

Greg Gilks
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