



# Recreation Motorcycles Information

## General Information

Recreation motorcycle registration provides a low cost option for motorcycle riders who wish to only operate their motorcycles on lightly trafficked country roads. Minimum construction standards apply to motorcycles eligible for recreational registration.

Note: The vehicle register records the identification details of each vehicle and the name and address of the person responsible for it. It is not a register of vehicle ownership.

## Conditions that apply to Recreation Motorcycles

The following conditions apply to all recreation registered motorcycles:

- The vehicle is restricted to operating outside of built up areas on forest roads and local roads.\*
- The vehicle must not operate on Freeways, State Highways, Main Roads or Tourist Roads that are declared as such under the Transport Act 1983.\*
- The vehicle must not carry any load or a person other than the rider.
- The operator must wear a protective helmet of the type approved for normal road use.

*\*VicRoads/RACV Country Street Directory of Victoria identifies the forest and local roads that are available to operators of Recreation Motorcycles. (Refer to Table 1 overleaf).*

## Recreation Motorcycle minimum construction standards

### General Construction

A Recreation Motorcycle must have (2) two wheels, and its general construction must not cause, or be likely to cause, a danger to its operator or any other person.

### Rear Vision Mirror

An effective rear vision mirror must be fitted to the right side of all Recreation Motorcycles.

### Brakes

A Recreation Motorcycle must have a braking system comprising of brakes fitted to both wheels of the vehicle, capable of working independently should one of the brakes fail in its operation.

## Recreation Motorcycle minimum construction standards (continued)

### Lighting

Recreation Motorcycles must have:

- one head lamp
- one rear red lamp
- one rear red brake lamp
- one rear number plate lamp

The power source for the lighting must not be a “total loss system” (eg. batteries). The power source must have its own re-generation for the continued operation of the lights.

### Exhaust/Noise Requirements

Internal combustion engines must be permanently fitted with a silencing device capable of restricting the engine noise level to 94 dBA or below (the on-road motorcycle noise level standard).

### General Safety Requirements

The following safety items must also be fitted to all registered recreation motorcycles:

- an appropriate horn or warning device
- a chainguard that adequately protects the rider from the front chain sprocket

## Persons eligible to operate a Recreation Motorcycle

A person operating a Recreation Motorcycle must be the holder of an appropriate motorcycle learner permit or licence.

## Road Classification Chart

The following table lists the road classifications and code numbers of those roads on which recreation motorcycles may be operated.

Table 1

Road Type	Road Classification Code	Recreation Motorcycle Access
Freeways and State Highways	1000–2999	No
Forest Roads	3000–3999	Yes
Tourist Roads	4000–4999	No
Main Roads	5000–5999	No
<b>Local Roads, including roads not shown in the Directory</b>	<b>No Code</b>	<b>Yes</b>

Refer to Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1999