

IM FOREWORD - KIT GOODS VEHICLES - ISSUED 07/7/99

One or two kit car manufacturers have submitted applications for vehicles that they claim to be goods vehicles, even though the load carrying compartment is barely big enough for a suit case. This is clearly aimed at getting the less onerous test.

We have discussed the situation with VSE and have agreed that to be a goods vehicle it would need to be predominantly for that purpose, i.e. have a load carrying capability in excess of passenger and luggage capacity, have an area from the rear of the drivers seat base (when in the rearmost position) to the rear of the load space greater than the rear of the seat base to the forward most point in the passenger compartment (usually under the dash) and no rear seat mounting positions.

We are keeping a close watch for applications for such vehicles at WH, and will hopefully ensure the correct test is applied.

Vehicles such as the Kaig (produced by Robin Hood Eng.) and Scamp are, unless instructed otherwise by WH to be tested as passenger vehicles.