



FOUNDED BY C. E. ALLEN, O.B.E., B.E.M., IN 1946

# THE VINTAGE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB LTD

Allen House, Wetmore Road, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire. DE14 ITR. (01283) 540557 Fax (01283) 510547  
E-Mail Address: [hq@vmcc.net](mailto:hq@vmcc.net)

## Statement of Search (S.O.S.)

**It is important you read all the instructions carefully.**

You can apply for an age-related registration number using a statement of search (dating) certificate if you have restored, repaired or purchased an **original vehicle**:

- that has not been previously registered in the UK.  
or
- its original UK number is not known.

The machine must be representative of how it left the factory. DVLA will only allow a change of engine.

**If your vehicle has been built from genuine period parts** of the same specification sourced from more than one vehicle, all over 25 years old, your vehicle may need to be assessed under Reconstructed Classic Regulations. Contact us for advice.

### **DO NOT APPLY UNTIL YOUR VEHICLE IS COMPLETE AND ROAD WORTHY**

- A statement of search (dating) certificate will be valid for 12 Months from the date of issue.

If your vehicle has been imported or was manufactured outside of the UK, you must submit a HMRC Clearance Notification (NOVA), which you can get from HMRC. (Please ensure that the correct frame number is on the NOVA confirmation.)

If we know that the vehicle in question has been exported, we are required to state this on the certificate. Contact HMRC for NOVA guidance on 0300 322 7071.

The DVLA are inspecting vehicles at random. You will be informed in writing if a vehicle inspection is required, you will not be charged. Checks may be made to ensure that the vehicle exists and the frame and engine numbers are recorded correctly.

Do not use this form to apply to retain an original registration number. You will need to go through the V765 scheme. Download the pack from our website at <https://www.vmcc.net/Library-and-DVLA-Forms> or request a copy.

The Dating Officer of the VMCC will conduct a search based on the information and photographs provided by the applicant to establish the date of manufacture of a motorcycle and will issue a "Statement of Search" certificate which will be considered by the DVLA for the purpose of obtaining an age-related registration number. We supply information, that is, to the best of our knowledge accurate. However, as we are not infallible, we cannot be held responsible should the information later be proved to be incorrect.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide a dating certificate for the following Brough Superior and Vincent's. All other marques we will endeavour to date dependent upon the evidence we have available.

### **This process may take up to 6 Weeks with the VMCC.**

A Non-Territorial Club affiliated to the A.C.U., M.A.G, A.M.C.A, member of the F.B.H.V.C.

Riding & Social Events • Racing • Rallies • Exhibitions • Archives • Insurance • Monthly Magazine

Registered Office: Allen House, Wetmore Road, Burton On Trent, Staffordshire. DE14 ITR. Registered in England No. 1570648 VAT Reg. No 111 2121 54

**APPLICATION FOR A VMCC STATEMENT OF SEARCH**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ VMCC Membership No (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**DETAILS OF MACHINE**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model : \_\_\_\_\_

CC/HP: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Manufacture: \_\_\_\_\_

Colour (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please give the numbers exactly as they appear on the frame and engine with any prefixes or suffixes etc.

Frame No: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Engine No: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_



Please mark on the pictures above the frame number location as "A" and the engine number location as "B".

Engine Make (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Other relevant information (e.g. ohv, flat twin, etc.)

The vehicle mentioned above is an original motorcycle with / without (delete as appropriate) a change of engine and the vehicle is not a reconstructed classic.

I declare that the information above and photographs provided are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that the VMCC cannot be held liable for any issues caused by the provision of incorrect information. I accept that the fee paid is not refundable should my application fail.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ VMCC A2 form

### What photographs we need:

- **A nearside view and an offside view photograph of the vehicle.** The side view images must be of the entire vehicle straight on from wheel to wheel. If any major components, such as frame, forks, engine, gearbox, wheels/hubs are obscured in the full side image then please supply individual images of that component.
- **Clear Photographs or rubbings clearly showing the frame and engine numbers.**

### Enhanced Service:

We are now offering an “enhanced” service, whereby we will complete all the necessary paperwork for you and send everything to the DVLA by recorded delivery as soon as the dating certificate has been produced.

For this service you will need to send us:

- A signed V55/5 form. These can be downloaded from our website at <https://www.vmcc.net/Library-and-DVLA-Forms> . We will complete the rest of the form on your behalf.
- A completed V112 form if your machine is MOT exempt. These can be downloaded from our website at <https://www.vmcc.net/Library-and-DVLA-Forms> .

or

A current MOT certificate stating frame number if your machine is not MOT exempt.

- **A copy of your photo-card driving licence.**

If you do not have a photo card driving license. The DVLA will accept the following:

Documents DVLA will accept to confirm your name are:

- Your current UK DVLA paper driving license (not a paper counterpart)
- Your Passport
- Your Birth certificate
- Your decree nisi or decree absolute

Documents DVLA will accept to confirm your address are:

- A gas, electricity, water or landline phone bill issued in the last 6 months
- Your council tax bill for the current year
- A bank or building society statement issued in the last 3 months
- A medical car/letter
- A cheque or postal order for £55.00 made payable to the DVLA.
- A cheque for Road Tax made payable to the DVLA **if your machine is not historic tax status.** The current rate of Road Tax can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/vehicle-tax-rate-tables/other-vehicle-tax-rates>.
- HMRC (Nova) Clearance Notification if your machine has been imported or manufactured outside the UK.

We will:

- Complete the V55/5 form.
- Write a covering letter to the DVLA requesting an age-related number.
- Send everything to the DVLA by recorded delivery and send you the tracking number so you can track the progress of your paperwork.

The price includes all the postage costs. If you would like to take advantage of this additional service, please tick the relevant box on page 4.

**Preferred method of contact**    phone         Email         letter

**This process may take up to 6 Weeks with the VMCC.**

**Payment for Statement of Search Certificate**

Amount (Please tick the relevant box(s))

<b>Member's first application of the Calendar year</b>	<b>£70</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Member's subsequent applications</b>	<b>£80</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Non-Members</b>	<b>£150</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Non-Members Application inc. 1 Year Membership "Special Offer"</b>	<b>£112</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Enhanced service</b> (Completion of the DVLA application on your behalf)	<b>£30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Copy of Statement of Search Certificate</b>	<b>£10</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Payment can be made by credit or debit card, PayPal (please contact us for a PayPal invoice), postal order or cheque (made payable to VMCC LTD).

**CREDIT/DEBIT CARD DETAILS**

No: ...../...../...../.....

Type: ..... Expiry date: ...../.....

Start date: ...../.....

Sec. No. (3 digit no. on the back of card): .....

Issue no (if Maestro card): .....

Name on card: .....

Cardholder Address if different to that on A1 form:

.....  
.....  
.....

**We do not retain card numbers after the single charge has been made.**

**This process may take up to 6 Weeks with the VMCC.**

**What will happen next:**

Once all work is complete, if you have not paid for the enhanced service, you will receive by post a VMCC statement of search (dating certificate) and an instruction sheet explaining how to register the vehicle with the DVLA.

## **CHECK LIST:**

Has your vehicle been imported? Yes  No  Unsure  If so, From which country \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you gone through NOVA (see page 1)? Yes  No

### **Statement of Search**

- VMCC A2 Form Completed and signed.   
Clear photos of the vehicle from both sides.   
A clear photo or rubbing of the frame number.   
A clear photo or rubbing of the engine number.

### **Enhanced Service** (all in Statement of Search list and the following)

- V55/5   
V112 or a MOT   
Photocopy of your photo-card driving licence,  
or other ID documents stated above   
Cheque or PO £55 payable to DVLA   
NOVA (if relevant)   
Road tax payment (if relevant)

Photos sent by email to [dvlalialiaison@vmcc.net](mailto:dvlalialiaison@vmcc.net) \*  or enclosed with application.

\*Please note if the photographs are large, please send them in separate e-mails to make sure they are delivered to us.

Fees: £            by chq         by card         Cash         PayPal

PayPal address for the invoice to be sent: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this application to:

The Vintage Motorcycle Club Library  
Allen House  
Wetmore Road  
Burton upon Trent  
Staffordshire  
DE14 1TR

Please note that if you are sending your paperwork in an A4 envelope you must use a Large Letter stamp. Any other stamps used will delay delivery and incur a postage handling charge.

### **Benefits of membership are:**

- 2 hours of library research free per year.
- Access to the world's most extensive Motorcycle Library and Archive with services at a reduced rate.
- Discount Insurance scheme from Footman James.
- Marque specialists offering specific advice on individual makes.
- A high-quality monthly Journal and a free Club Calendar at Christmas.
- A Transfer Service for the restorer.
- 96 local and special interest sections with regular meetings that organise 500 riding events and 250 social events each year.
- Membership of British Historic Racing. A chance to use old motorcycles on racetracks around the UK.
- Calendar of Events ranging from social events to the world-famous Banbury Run.