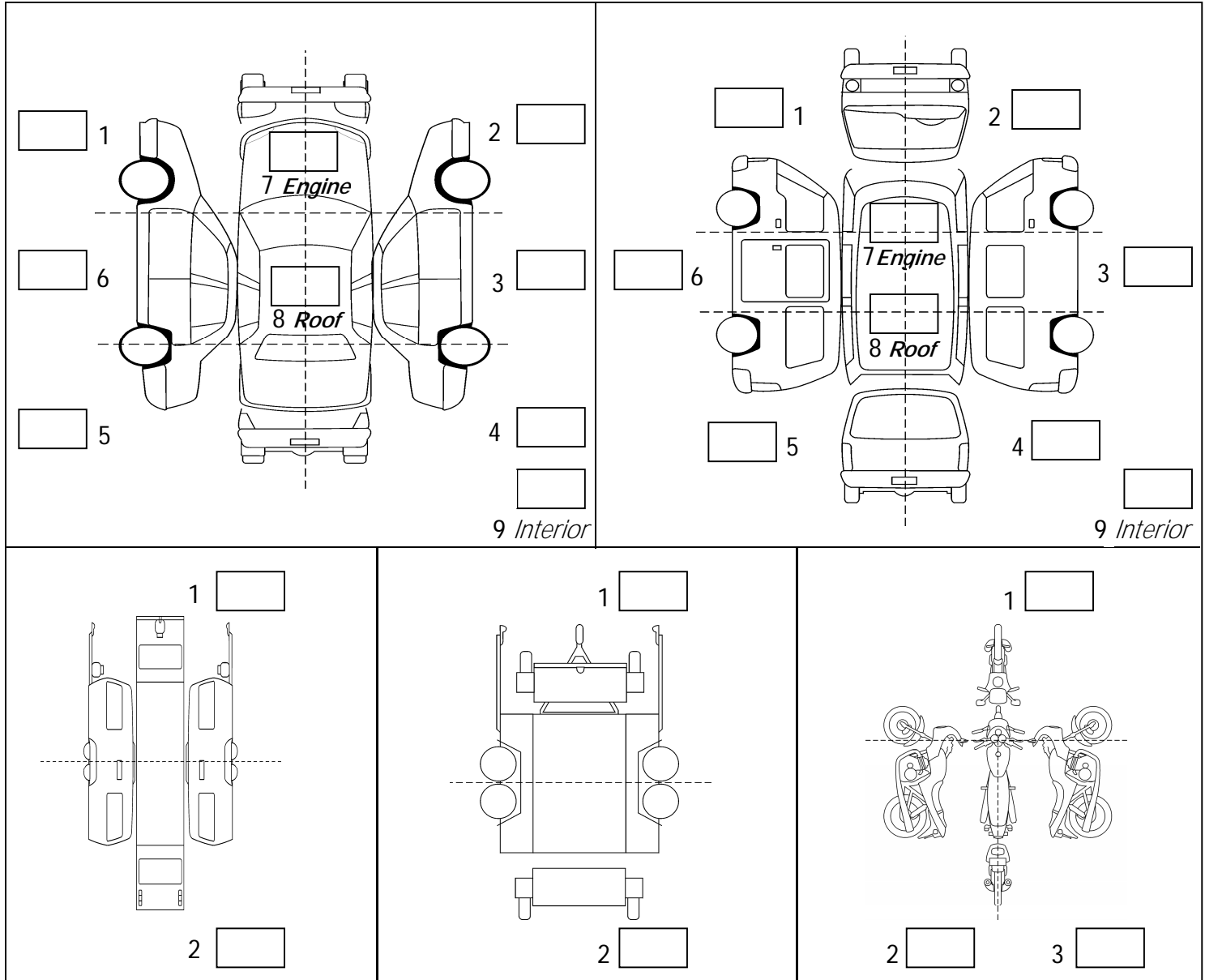


Location and Severity of Damage Guide

Using the list below please write the appropriate severity code in the box next to the damaged area of the appropriate diagram eg.

HP When finished, record the severity code(s) in question 4 of the Written-off Vehicle Advice.



Severity codes

Hail	Water
HP Heavy panel (replace panels)	FF Full fresh immersion (short term)
LP Light panel (repairable, traditional or paintless)	FS Full salt immersion (short term)
Impact	Fire
HP Heavy panel (replace panel)	BO Burnt
HS Heavy structural (replace structural part)	More than one third of vehicle completely burnt or burnt to the extent that repairs are not economic
LP Light panel (repair panel)	MS Minor smoke
LS Light structural (repair structural part)	Smoke and/or soot damage to interior
UR Unrepairable (physical or economic)	SH Smoke and heat
MI Minor engine damage	Minor engine fire or minor interior fire or exterior exposed to external heat source
MJ Major engine damage	
Malicious damage	
HP Heavy panel (replace panel)	
HS Heavy structural (replace structural part)	
LP Light panel (replace panel)	
LS Light structural (replace structural part)	
UR Unrepairable (physical or economic)	
1S Minor stripping (wheels, radio, damaged door locks)	
2S Major stripping (interior parts, external panels)	
1V Minor vandalism (wheels, radio, damaged door locks)	
2V Major vandalism (interior parts, external panels)	

Assessment Guide: Determining A Statutory Write-off

(If applicable this guide must be read when completing section 5 of RTA form 1138)

A statutory write-off means the salvage condition of the vehicle requires the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to be cancelled, because:

- the vehicle has a high risk of being targeted at auction for its vehicle identification;
- the vehicle is so badly damaged that it cannot be safely repaired.

The five definitions which amount to a statutory write-off are: Impact damage (5 damage indicators), Salt, Fresh water, Fire damage and Theft/vehicle stripped.

To use these definitions, the vehicle must be considered a total loss. Trailers and caravans cannot be classified as statutory write-offs.

1. **Impact damage** - Where the vehicle has sustained Impact damage to 3 of the 5 damage indicators (refer to table below) the vehicle is to be classified as a statutory write-off.

For vehicles over the value of \$100,000 (pre-accident market value), a larger amount of repair is allowed providing the original bodyshell can be safely repaired, and a bodyshell replacement is not required.

Where <u>any</u> 3 of the following 5 impact damage indicators are determined, the vehicle is to be classified as a statutory write-off.	
<p>Where damage sustained to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roof (<i>turret</i>) is 300 x 300 mm (1 foot) or more• Floor pan (cabin area) is 300 x 300 mm or more• Firewall is 300 x 300 mm or more	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suspension (any damage)• Mechanical (When mechanical components such as engine blocks, transmission cases, axle housings are deformed, cracked or broken).
<p>Motorcycle <i>impact damage:</i></p> <p>Where the motorcycle has <i>suspension</i> damage and two areas of <i>structural frame</i> damage (excludes scratching damage) the motorcycle is to be classified as a statutory write-off.</p>	

2. **Salt water damage** means, when a vehicle is immersed in salt water for any period above the doorsill level, or for a motorcycle, is fully immersed in salt water for any period.
3. **Fresh water damage** means, when a vehicle is immersed in fresh water up to the dashboard/steering wheel for more than 2 days (48 hrs), or for a motorcycle, is fully immersed in fresh water for the same period.
4. **Fire damage** (burnt out) means, when a vehicle is burnt to such an extent that it is fit only for wrecking or scrap.
5. **Theft/vehicle stripped** means, where a vehicle is stripped of interior and exterior body parts, panels and components and is uneconomical to repair. For example, wheels, bonnet, guards, doors, boot lid and interior parts or a combination of those items.