

Rules of Accreditation (LPG)

1. The Rules of Accreditation (**Rules**) comprise:
 - a) the AAFRB Requirements for Accreditation;
 - b) the AAFRB LPG Requirements;
 - c) the AAFRB Code of Practice; and
 - d) all other terms set out in this section 7.
2. By returning the completed application for accreditation form and making the required payment to the AAFRB, the Applicant warrants that he or she is in compliance with the Rules and agrees to be bound by them.
3. The Applicant acknowledges that:
 - a) the submission of the application for accreditation does not oblige the AAFRB to approve the application even if the Applicant is in compliance with the Rules; and
 - b) the AAFRB has absolute discretion to approve or deny such application.The decision by the AAFRB to approve or deny accreditation will be notified in writing to the Applicant by the AAFRB.
4. If the application for accreditation is approved by the AAFRB, at all times during the Applicant's accreditation, the Applicant:
 - a) agrees to be bound by and comply with the Rules; and
 - b) must comply with all reasonable directions of the AAFRB.
5. The Applicant acknowledges that approval of his or her application for accreditation will not result in the Applicant becoming a member of the AAFRB.
6. The Applicant must permit any representative of the AAFRB (or any third party appointed by the AAFRB) to audit the records of the Applicant. The Applicant must provide all reasonable assistance in relation to such audits.
7. The Applicant acknowledges that he or she has the responsibility to ensure that he or she applies for his or her accreditation to be renewed annually.
8. Subject to the provisions of clause 9 below, if:
 - a) the Applicant breaches or fails to comply with any of the Rules, and in the reasonable opinion of the AAFRB the breach or failure cannot be remedied; or
 - b) the Applicant breaches or fails to comply with any of the Rules, and in the reasonable opinion of the AAFRB the breach or failure can be remedied but it is not remedied by the Applicant within 10 business days of the Applicant being given written notice of the breach or failure by the AAFRB; or
 - c) the AAFRB receives 3 or more justified complaints in relation to the

- Applicant in any 12 month period,
- the AAFRB will issue a notice to the Applicant requiring the Applicant to show cause why his or her accreditation should not be suspended or cancelled.
- d) The Applicant may, within 10 business days of receipt of the show cause notice, make submissions in writing to the AAFRB providing reasons as to why his or her accreditation should not be suspended or cancelled.
 - e) Within a reasonable time after the expiration of the 10 business day period, the AAFRB will consider the submissions made by the Applicant (if any), will determine whether the Applicant's accreditation should be suspended or cancelled, and will notify the Applicant of its decision.
9.
 - a) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 8 above, the AAFRB may immediately suspend or cancel the Applicant's accreditation if in the opinion of the AAFRB there is a risk of injury or death to any person arising from the conduct of the Applicant.
 - b) In such circumstances, the Applicant may, after receiving notification of the suspension or cancellation, make written submissions to the AAFRB seeking to have the suspension lifted or to be re-accredited.
 10. Any waiver by the AAFRB of any right arising from a breach of, or failure to comply with, the Rules by the Applicant must be in writing and signed by an authorised representative of the AAFRB. A failure to exercise, a delay in exercising, or a partial exercise of, a right created under or arising from a breach of or failure to comply with the Rules does not result in a waiver by the AAFRB of that right.
 11. If any term or provision of the Rules is declared invalid or void, that term or provision will be severed from the Rules and will not affect the remaining terms or provisions which will continue to be binding on the Applicant.
 12. The Applicant must not assign, create an interest in or otherwise deal with his or her accreditation.
 13. The Rules constitute the entire agreement between the Applicant and the AAFRB in relation to the Applicant's accreditation and supersede all prior agreements and understandings between the parties. Any variation to that agreement must be in writing signed by an authorised representative of the AAFRB.
 14. The Rules are governed by the laws of Victoria. The parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of that State.



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AUTOMOTIVE ALTERNATIVE FUELS REGISTRATION BOARD

LPG REQUIREMENTS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1993

INTRODUCTION:

An Automotive Alternative Fuels Registration Board (AAFRB) has been established in Victoria to ensure that all conversions of motor vehicles run on LP Gas, are carried out only by a registered business employing accredited staff.

Similar requirements have existed in other States and Territories for sometime. The final regulatory gap in the automotive LPG industry in Victoria has been long overdue.

The AAFRB will accredit individuals and register businesses undertaking conversions or repairs ("repair" means any repair to the vehicle which involves opening the high pressure LP Gas lines to the atmosphere) that comply with the Code of Practice and relevant Australian Standards.

In addition, the Board will set standards, accredit training courses, promote safe work practices and monitor the industry. This will ensure that the required standards are met by the industry and consumers protected.

Currently, all LPG converted vehicles must comply with AS1425 to be eligible for registration however, after January 1993, new conversions in compliance with AS1425 will require a compliance plate to be attached. Only registered businesses can fit an approved compliance plate.

Further details specifically for accreditation follow.

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Requirements For Accreditation

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Any person engaged in the installation and repair of Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) vehicles in Victoria must be accredited by the Automotive Alternative Fuels Registration Board (AAFRB). "Repair" means any repair to the vehicle which involves opening the high pressure Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) lines to the atmosphere.

1. CRITERIA

The criteria for accreditation of individuals is as follows;

- a) A person must be a qualified motor mechanic who has completed and passed an LPG training course acceptable to the Board.
The following Australian trade qualifications are acceptable to the AAFRB.
Certificate of Completion of Apprenticeship - Automotive Specialist-Gas Vehicle.
Motor Mechanic
VACC Motor Mechanic
Diesel Mechanic
Heavy Stream Mechanic
Auto electrician
IAME Associate / Member
Australian trades recognition certificate - Motor Mechanic

For prospective applicants that have international qualifications not acceptable to the AAFRB it is recommended that you contact Trade Recognition Australia (03) 9954 2534 for recognition of your international qualifications.
- b) A person who holds another automotive trade qualification acceptable to the AAFRB and who completed and passed an LPG training course acceptable to the Board.
- c) A person licensed/accredited as an LPG fitter, installer in another State.
- d) A person must abide by the Code of Practice and carry out conversions in accordance with AS 1425.
- e) An accredited person shall agree to abide by any recommendation of the Board.
- f) Pay accreditation fees as and when determined by the AAFRB.
- g) An accredited person shall notify the AAFRB Secretariat in writing of any change to their address.

2. FEES INVOLVED

- a) Initial Fee: \$66.00 per person including GST
- b) Annual Renewal Fee: \$33.00 per person including GST
The AAFRB operates using a common expiry date that is set at 31 December of each year.

3. ACCEPTABLE COURSES

The Board has determined that:

Any course completed after 31 December 2006 will comply with the Nationally accredited training package AUR 30605, Certificate 111 in Automotive Specialist - Gas Vehicle and will include the following modules:

AURT304231A Install LPG Fuel Systems
AURT304266A Repair LPG Fuel Systems
AURT304270A Service LPG Fuel Systems

The course must be completed with a duly authorised training provider and **must** provide proof of completion.

4. POCKET CARD

All accredited individuals will receive an AAFRB pocket card for identification and a certificate.

Return Application to:

**AAFRB
7th Floor
464 St Kilda Road
MELBOURNE VIC 3004**

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Code of Practice

1. INSTALLATION

- a) With the exception of industrial vehicles if it is not practical to do so, all installations and repairs must be carried out in an approved workshop in accordance with AS2746 and relevant statutory requirements.
- b) All installations and repairs should be carried out by or under the direct supervision of an accredited person by the AAFRB (“direct supervision” implies the ratio of one installer to one accredited person).
- c)
 - i) All installations and repairs must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of AS1425 (and any other applicable and/or successor Australian Standard).
 - ii) Every installation must be of merchantable quality and meet the emission standards as specified in the EPA’s Information Bulletin “Modified Vehicle Guidelines” current at the time of conversion.
- d)
 - i) For every installation, a compliance plate issued by the AAFRB must be stamped and affixed to the converted vehicle.
 - ii) For pre-existing conversions, as of 1 January 1993, the vehicle must comply with this Code of Practice before a compliance plate is fitted.
- e) For every installation and repair, a business must keep all records of conversions to:
 - i) identify the vehicle
 - ii) the date of conversion
 - iii) the accredited installer
 - iv) the equipment fittedAll records must be kept for a period of 7 years.
- f) The registered business will carry out all work in such a manner as to ensure the safety of all employees and the general public.

2. WORKSHOP & EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- a) Must comply with AS2746 and AAFRB registration to install or repair LPG fuelled vehicles in Victoria.

3. INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS & QUALIFICATIONS

- a) A person must hold an AAFRB accreditation to install or repair LPG fuelled vehicles in Victoria.

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A guide to completing your accreditation application with the required attachments

1. **Section 1 - PERSONAL DETAILS**
 - a) Complete all personal details clearly.
2. **Section 2 - DETAILS OF CURRENT EMPLOYER**
 - a) Complete all details of current employment clearly.
3. **Section 3 - QUALIFICATIONS**
 - a) Answer "Yes" or "No" to qualified motor mechanic
 - b) If "Yes" write your motor mechanics number and attach copy of your Motor Mechanic Certificate.
 - c) If "No" give brief specific details of what qualifications you hold.
**Attach copies for verification of qualifications*
4. **Section 4 - INDUSTRY WORK EXPERIENCE**
 - a) Please complete all details of industry work experience clearly.
5. **Section 5 - TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS**
 - a) Please complete all details of LPG training qualifications clearly.
**Attach copies for verification of training qualifications successfully completed including results by module*
6. **Section 6 - TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS**
 - a) To be completed only by those with interstate LPG accreditation/licensing.
7. **Section 7 - DECLARATION**
 - a) Ensure you read and sign the declaration.
8. **Section 8 - ACCREDITATION FEE**
 - a) Attach a cheque payable to "AAFRB" for \$66.00 (including GST).