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Mandatory Labels for Electric Vehicles in Queensland

Electric Vehicle (EV) owners in Queensland must now display labels on their car's front and rear number plates as per requirements from the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR).

The law applies to electric, hybrid and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles built after 1 January 2019, as well as existing vehicles that have been converted to electric after 1 January 2019.

These types of vehicles can present certain hazards during rescue situations and can be difficult to distinguish against internal combustion engine vehicles. The labels are designed to advise emergency service workers attending to a crash that the vehicle may be equipped with electric or hydrogen components.

Rod Camm, Chief Executive Officer at MTA Queensland said, "Not only do first responders need to know how to recognise these vehicles, but automotive service and repair workshops need to understand how to safely and correctly work on them. The MTA Institute offers accredited training and short courses that cover the fundamental requirements for inspecting and servicing both battery and hybrid electric vehicles.

"All car dealers must also be aware of the labelling requirements and should discuss this with customers during the sales process."

Enforcement of the labelling requirements commenced in October 2021, but a grace period will be given until 1 January 2022 during which no fines or penalties will be issued.

EV labels are now available for purchase at the MTA Queensland shop [HERE](#).

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For labelling requirements, visit the TMR website [HERE](#).

For EV inspection and servicing training, visit the MTA Institute website [HERE](#).

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Included image:

EV label affixed to number plate

Background:

The Motor Trades Association of Queensland (**MTA Queensland**) is the peak body representing the interests of employers in the retail, repair, and service sectors of Queensland's automotive industry. MTA Queensland has been performing its vital representative role for the automotive industry since 1929. In Queensland there are some 15,500 automotive businesses employing more than 90,000 people, that generate more than \$20 billion annually. The Association represents and promotes issues of relevance to all levels of government. In 2019 MTA Queensland was announced as an ABA100 winner in The Australian Business Awards and a finalist in the Lord Mayor's Business Awards, for Business Innovation.

The **MTA Institute (RTO 31529)** is the leading automotive training provider in Queensland offering nationally recognised training, covering technical, retail and the aftermarket sectors of the automotive industry. The MTA Institute is the largest independent automotive training provider in Queensland, employing experienced trainers who are geographically dispersed from Cairns to the Gold Coast and Toowoomba to Emerald. In the last year, the MTA Institute delivered accredited courses to more than 2,000 students. The MTA Institute is the first trade RTO in Australia to be approved under the ITECA Industry Certification Program and was the winner of the Small Training Provider of the Year at the 2019 Queensland Training Awards.

MTAiQ, Australia's first automotive innovation hub established by MTA Queensland in 2017, is an ecosystem that supports innovation and research for the motor trades.

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