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(R) Engine and Transmission Identification Numbers

RATIONALE

This standard is being revised to clarify and add additional detail to the previous version.

1. SCOPE

This SAE Recommended Practice has been established to provide direction for the design and installation of an identification number (IN) as assigned to vehicle engines, transmissions, and transaxles. The IN is used for tracking or traceability of these components. In adhering to these recommended practices, facility of application in factory production and appearance quality are matters for manufacturer control. Reference SAE J853.

2. REFERENCES

2.1 Applicable Documents

The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise indicated, the latest issue of SAE publications shall apply.

2.1.1 SAE Publication

Available from SAE International, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001, Tel: 877-606-7323 (inside USA and Canada) or 724-776-4970 (outside USA), www.sae.org.

SAE J853 Vehicle Identification Numbers

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1 ENGINE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN)

The engine identification number is a number, non-repetitive for a specific period of time, applied to each engine produced by a manufacturer. The EIN may or may not be the same as the complete or derivative vehicle identification number.

3.2 TRANSMISSION AND TRANSAXLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN)

The transmission and transaxle identification number is a number, non-repetitive for a specific period of time, applied to each transmission/transaxle produced by a manufacturer. The TIN may or may not be the same as the complete or derivative vehicle identification number.

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