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Foreword

All the technical content in this Standard is mandatory.

This Standard was drafted in accordance with the rules in GB/T 1.1-2009.

This Standard serves as a replacement of GB 16737-2004 *Road Vehicle - World Manufacturer Identifier (WMI) Code*. In comparison with GB 16737-2004, the main technical changes are as follows:

- The term and definition of “authorized organization” are added to 3.2;
- The examples of allocation in 5.1 and 5.3 are deleted;
- The combination of the first and the second character code of WMI allocated to China is supplemented in 5.3;
- The requirements of annual output in 5.4.2 are modified;
- World Manufacturer Identifier (WMI) Application Form in Appendix A is adjusted.

This Standard takes ISO 3780:2009 *Road Vehicles - World Manufacturer Identifier Code* as a reference.

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The issuing of the previous versions of the standard replaced by this Standard is as follows:

Road Vehicle - World Manufacturer Identifier (WMI) Code

1 Scope

This Standard stipulates the content and structure of world manufacturer identifier (WMI) code. World manufacturer identifier (WMI) code is the first part of vehicle identification number (VIN) described in GB 16735.

This Standard is applicable to automobile, and its incomplete vehicle, trailer, motorcycle and moped.

Other vehicles that need vehicle identification number may also take this as a reference.

2 Normative References

The following documents are indispensable to the application of this document. In terms of references with a specified date, only versions with a specified date are applicable to this document. In terms of references without a specified date, the latest version (including all the modifications) is applicable to this document.

GB 16735 *Road Vehicle - Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)*

3 Terms and Definitions

What is defined in GB 16735, and the following terms and definitions are applicable to this document.

3.1 World Manufacturer Identifier; WMI

World manufacturer identifier is the first part of vehicle identification number (VIN); it is used to identify vehicle's manufacturer. When this identifier is appointed to a certain vehicle manufacturer, it may be considered as an identification mark of this manufacturer. When world manufacturer identifier is adopted together with the remaining part of vehicle identification number, it is sufficient to guarantee the uniqueness of vehicle identification number of all the vehicles manufactured worldwide within 30 years.

3.2 Authorized Organization

Authorized organization refers to an organization which undertakes WMI allocation and management work through the authorization of national automobile authority.

5.4.1 The third character code of WMI is letter or figure code which is assigned by an authorized organization for the purpose of identifying a specific vehicle manufacturer. Through the application of a combination of the first, the second and the third character code, unique identification of vehicle manufacturer can be guaranteed.

5.4.2 Authorized organization shall use figure “9” in this position to identify all the vehicle manufacturers whose annual output of completed vehicles and/or incomplete vehicles is less than 1,000 vehicles. In terms of this type of vehicle manufacturers, the 12th, 13th and 14th character code of VIN shall be appointed by an authorized organization, so as to guarantee unique identification of vehicle manufacturer.

6 Allocation and Registration of WMI Code

6.1 Vehicle manufacturer shall apply for WMI (see Appendix A for the application form) from an authorized organization. After the approval and registration, it may be used on vehicles.

6.2 Manufacturer of import vehicles shall submit the WMI code used on import vehicle products to an authorized organization for reference.

7 Date of Implementation

This Standard shall be put into effect since the date of implementation.

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