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**Important notice to Issuing Authorities authorised by the Ministry for the Environment for certification of caravans as self-contained under NZS 5465**

The NZ Standard 5465 *Self containment of motor caravans and caravans* has been revised. This revision was published on 9 March 2012.

Key points to note:

1. There is a new mandatory sticker design for the front window (“warrant sticker”)
2. There is a new mandatory sticker design for the back of the vehicle (replacing the voluntary “green diamond” created by NZMCA)
3. The new caravan sticker designs will match new signs in NZS 8603 for authorised self-contained caravan camping sites.
4. The technical provisions for certification have not been changed.
5. To remain working as an Issuing Authority under the revised standard, please obtain the updates for NZS 5465 from [www.standards.co.nz](http://www.standards.co.nz) (enter 5465 in the search box on the right side of the website home page). Prices are as follows:
  - o **revisions only (A1 document) - PDF – free**
    - hard copy - \$42 (members \$33.60)
  - o fully revised text - PDF - \$ 63.90 (members \$51.12)
    - hard copy - \$71.00 (members \$56.80)
6. **The Ministry for the Environment will no longer be the “administering authority” for the standard.** This means that the Ministry will no longer approve “issuing authorities”. The Ministry will also no longer issue warrant stickers.
7. If you are not a registered plumber, to be an issuing authority under the new standard you will need to more publicly demonstrate that you have a suitable regime of training your inspector(s). Checking for this was previously a role of the Ministry for the Environment.  
Under the new clause 12.1(c), an Issuing Authority is : *any organisation that operates a scheme of qualification for testing officers who shall be members of the organisation concerned. Documentation of this qualification scheme shall be made available on a public website or to any party on request as evidence that testing officers are competent to certify to this Standard.*

Testing officers must also be able to present proof of their training on request to the owner of any vehicle to be inspected (new clause 13.2)

8. **Transitional arrangements** (new section 16)

All self containment warrants issued in accordance with NZS 5465 will remain valid until their inscribed expiry date.

Existing "green diamond" stickers are a valid replacement for the new self-contained stickers until the warrant sticker expires.

Owners of already-certified vehicles may request issuing authorities to replace the old stickers with the new ones.

9. To obtain the new warrant and back of vehicle stickers, you may either:

(a) print your own, or

(b) make arrangements with another entity which is having them printed (for example, the NZ Motor Caravan Association).

10. Artwork for these stickers is set out in the revised standard (Appendix C and Appendix D).

I have attached for your convenience files of this artwork, kindly provided by Standards NZ. The warrant sticker, which you may wish to have pre-printed with your issuing authority name, is attached in an eps format (editable with suitable software) as well as in jpg format.

If you have any questions, do let me know.

**Thank you** for your work to date in certifying caravans as self-contained. I wish you all the best for your future work in this area.

Warm regards,



– Senior Analyst, Waste and Resources

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