



NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs Inc – Annual General Meeting 2026

Submissions Report

In the past year, the Federation submitted one formal paper with the New Zealand Transport Agency and has been involved in other informal discussion documents and meetings.

Thanks to submissions advisor Mark Stockdale for his efforts and support.

Formal Submissions

December 2025: FoMC submitted generally in favour of the proposed [Changes to Light Vehicle Inspections](#).

Specifically changes to the WoF inspection frequency:

- Vehicles over 10 years old: WoF required every year.
- Vehicles 4-10 years old: WoF required every 2 years.
- New vehicles: First WoF issued for 4 years.

This comes directly off the back of NZTA's proposals to simplify the varying WOF terms for vehicles less than three years in age, which took effect on 1 October 2025.

The submission can be found [here](#).

Informal Proposals

March 2026: FoMC submitted a detailed proposal to NZTA covering a number of revisions and simplifications regarding WoF and CoF terms for **Military Vehicles and Vintage Trucks**, arising from long-standing views and experience across this specialist sector, and discussion at the 2025 AGM.

The key aspect of the proposal was Military vehicles are often requested to attend ANZAC and other commemorative events and this is become increasingly difficult to impossible due to:

- Compliance costs

- Difficulties of obtaining CoF appointments for these specialist vehicles, and associated reluctance of inspecting agents to be willing to schedule these unique vehicles

FoMC advisor Malcom Lumsden and Executive member Harry Duynhoven were deeply involved in the development of the submission.

NZTA responded in April, declining all of the changes requested as they are not calling for submissions on this topic. They thanked the Federation and will consider it in future rule changes. The Executive decided to place the matter on hold until after the forthcoming parliamentary elections.

The proposal paper can be found [here](#).

March 2026: FoMC submitted a detailed proposal to NZTA covering extending WoF inspection frequency for **Veteran Vehicles** from 1 to 3 years.

Following the Government announcements July 2025 for 12 month WoF's for vehicles 40 years and older, FoMC in association with the Ford Model T Club and the VCC have pursued a 3 year WoF period for veteran vehicles (1919 and older), based on practical requirements but also taking account of historic and heritage values of these particular vehicles.

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Informal Discussion Paper (Minister for Heritage and Culture)

In July 2025, FoMC met with Paul Goldsmith, Minister of Heritage, Arts and Culture and tabled a discussion document (not a formal submission) regarding the importance of historic vehicles within the context of NZ's heritage and national development. Picking up on the terminology "moving monuments", the point was made that the focus of NZ's heritage as presently defined and portrayed by the Ministry is totally focussed on buildings, trees and other static features, to the total exclusion of our rich history of heritage vehicles, organisations and notable personalities contribution to New Zealand's development and culture.

Minister Goldsmith acknowledged the validity of our view and took note of international developments in this space. The meeting concluded positively, with the FoMC to develop further thoughts and possible proposals for further discussion. No specific time frame was set.

The Vintage Car Club of NZ is an integral part of this thinking and helped shape the viewpoints communicated with the Minister. VCC's FIVA representative Ray Sanders will be involved our future heritage considerations.

“Informal Discussion”

Certainly not a submission in any way, but the opportunity was taken by Garry Jackson (President FoMC) to spend a few minutes with Prime Minister Christopher Luxon (one on one) at the Auckland Brit and Euro Classic Car Show at Pakuranga in March 2026. The discussion covered the role of the Federation, the sector's \$16.5 Billion economic footprint, and the potential for further economic growth given NZ's growing profile internationally amongst historic and classic vehicle investors and owners (the “Collectible Economy”).

Conclusion

Over and above the foregoing, I take this opportunity of recognising all of the Federation's clubs and their individual members for the support and energy that underpin our lobbying efforts. Whilst our success with 12 month WoF's for vehicles 40 years and older (and annual CoF's for motorhomes and campervans) predates the 2025/26 year covered in this Submissions Report, there's absolutely no doubt that the Federation's profile and standing with the Ministers and authorities rests with the superb 13,000 personal submissions in early 2025 that helped get the WoF result we wanted last July, and also the weight of the NZ Historic and Classic Vehicle Market Research Survey 2024.

The Federation thanks you all.



Garry Jackson
President
NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs Inc
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