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SUBJECT: V.I.N. (VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER)-REVISED SYSTEM TO COMPLY WITH AMERICAN ASSOC. OF MOTOR VEHICLES ADMINISTRATORS' RECOMMENDED USE OF SAE-VIN STANDARDS BASED ON SAE J272 AND SAE J273 AND SAE J1044

A. Identification Plates 634400, 704797, 704866 on Cowl, Instrument Panel and Pillar.

In order for Checker to participate in an industry-wide standardized system for uniform content and structure of vehicle identification numbers assigned to each motor vehicle, our current V.I.N. consisting of Model, Production Order Number and Five-Digit Sequential Number will have to be replaced by a fifteen character V.I.N. constructed as in Figure 1 below.

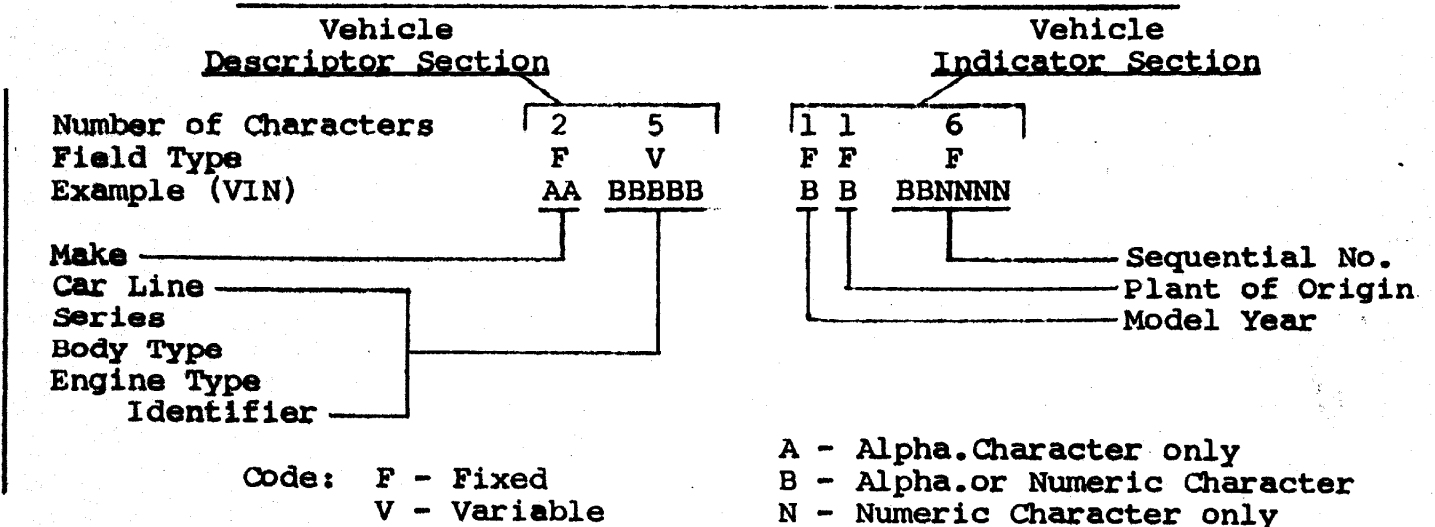


FIGURE 1

A typical Checker V.I.N. and its breakdown would be:

CK11S615K100001 (15 character VIN)

CK	11S	61	5	K	100001
Manufacturer Identity	Series and Body Type	Engine Type Identifier	Model Year	Plant of Origin	Sequential Number
①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥

① Manufacturer Identity

CK = Checker Motors Corporation

(CK is only tentative at this time. Application must be made to SAE for registration and assignment of Manufacturer Identity Code.)

NOTE: Due to unresolved changes in the V.I.N. system resulting from the I.S.O. conference in Brussels, this memo is rescinded, effective at once.

② Series and Body Type

11S = All 120"WB 4-Dr.Sedan Taxicab
 11E = All 129"WB 4-Dr.Sedan Taxicab
 12S = All 120"WB 4-Dr.Sedan Marathon
 12E = All 129"WB 4-Dr.Sedan Marathon
 12W = All 120"WB 4-Dr.Wagon Marathon
 12A = All 189"WB 8-Dr.Aerobus

③ Engine Type Identifier

61 = 6 Cyl.,250 CID Federal Engine
 62 = 6 Cyl.,250 CID Calif.Engine
 63,64,65, etc.-as required
 81 = 8 Cyl.,350 CID 2-Bbl.Federal Engine
 82 = 8 Cyl.,350 CID 4-Bbl.Federal Engine
 83,84,85, etc.-as required

④ Model Year

5 = 1975 Model Year

⑤ Plant of Origin

K = Kalamazoo, Michigan

⑥ Sequential Number

100001 = 1st Vehicle of 1975 Model Year

Effective date for this change will be 1-31-74 for 1975 model year. This change will not affect any production part numbers such

- ①** Effective date for this change will be #1 Job for 1975 model year.

- ②** Effective with this change, all production order numbers will not appear. The Identification Number Plate used on the cowl will be revised resulting in cancellation of part 634400 and releasing of 646717 Plate.

Line schedules and built reports should show the new VIN and the Production Order number.

- B.** Identification Numbers hand stamped on frame rail (current procedure) and to be added to each engine assembly and each transmission assembly.

In order to conform to the practices of the industry and to laws currently in effect in several states, a portion of the VIN will be stamped on the engine assemblies and the transmission assemblies on the bosses provided.

This component identification is necessary to aid law enforcement officials in identification of stolen and/or stripped vehicles and major components where normal VIN Plates have been removed or defaced or altered.

The portion of the VIN to be stamped on the frame, engine and transmission will include the make code, year assembly plant code and the sequential number of the vehicle. In the example VIN above, the number to be stamped on the frame, engine and transmission would be: CK5K100001.