

**§ 566.5 Requirements.**

Each manufacturer of motor vehicles, and each manufacturer of covered equipment, shall furnish the information specified in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590.

(a) Full individual, partnership, or corporate name of the manufacturer.

(b) Residence address of the manufacturer and State of incorporation if applicable.

(c) Description of each type of motor vehicle or of covered equipment manufactured by the manufacturer, including, for motor vehicles, the approximate ranges of gross vehicle weight ratings for each type.

(1) Except as noted below, the description may be of general types, such as "passenger cars" or "brake fluid."

(2) In the case of multipurpose passenger vehicles, trucks, and trailers, the description shall be specific enough also to indicate the types of use for which the vehicles are intended, such as "tank trailer," "motor home," or "cargo van."

(3) In the case of motor vehicles produced in two or more stages, if the manufacturer is an incomplete vehicle manufacturer, the description shall so state and include a description indicating the stage of completion of the vehicle and, where known, the types of use for which the vehicle is intended.

*Example:* "Incomplete vehicle manufacturer—Chassis-cab intended for completion as van-type truck."

If the manufacturer is an intermediate manufacturer, or a final stage manufacturer, the description shall so state and include a brief description of the work performed.

*Example:* "Multipurpose passenger vehicles: Motor homes with GVWR from 8,000 to 12,000 pounds. Final-stage manufacturer—add body to bare chassis."

(15 U.S.C. 1392, 1397)

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**§ 566.6 Submittal of information.**

Each manufacturer required to submit information under § 566.5 shall submit

the information not later than February 1, 1972. After that date, each person who begins to manufacture a type of motor vehicle or covered equipment for which he has not submitted the required information shall submit the information specified in paragraphs (a) through (c) of § 566.5 not later than 30 days after he begins manufacture. Each manufacturer who has submitted required information shall keep his entry current, accurate and complete by submitting revised information not later than 30 days after the relevant changes in his business occur.

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**§ 567.1 Purpose.**

The purpose of this part is to specify the content and location of, and other requirements for, the certification label or tag to be affixed to motor vehicles as required by section 114 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. 1403) (the Safety Act) and by sections 105(c)(1) and 606(c) of the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act (15 U.S.C. 1915(c) and 2026(c)) (the Cost Savings Act), and to provide the consumer with information to assist him or her in determining which of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (part 571 of this chapter) and Federal Theft Prevention Standards (part 541 of this

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chapter) (standards) are applicable to the vehicle.

[50 FR 43192, Oct. 24, 1985]

### § 567.2 Application.

(a) This part applies to manufacturers and distributors of motor vehicles to which one or more standards are applicable.

(b) In the case of imported motor vehicles, the requirement of affixing a label or tag applies to Registered Importers of vehicles admitted to the United States under 49 CFR 591.5(f) to which the required label or tag is not affixed.

[36 FR 7056, Apr. 14, 1971, as amended at 48 FR 46995, Oct. 17, 1983; 56 FR 22356, May 15, 1991]

### § 567.3 Definitions.

All terms that are defined in the Act and the rules and standards issued under its authority are used as defined therein. The term *bumper* has the meaning assigned to it in Title I of the Cost Savings Act and the rules and standards issued under its authority.

*Chassis-cab* means an incomplete vehicle, with a completed occupant compartment, that requires only the addition of cargo-carrying, work-performing, or load-bearing components to perform its intended functions.

[36 FR 7056, Apr. 14, 1971, as amended at 42 FR 37817, July 25, 1977; 43 FR 21891, May 22, 1978]

### § 567.4 Requirements for manufacturers of motor vehicles.

(a) Each manufacturer of motor vehicles (except vehicles manufactured in two or more stages) shall affix to each vehicle a label, of the type and in the manner described below, containing the statements specified in paragraph (g) of this section.

(b) The label shall, unless riveted, be permanently affixed in such a manner that it cannot be removed without destroying or defacing it.

(c) Except for trailers and motorcycles, the label shall be affixed to either the hinge pillar, door-latch post, or the door edge that meets the door-latch post, next to the driver's seating position, or if none of these locations is practicable, to the left side of the in-

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strument panel. If that location is also not practicable, the label shall be affixed to the inward-facing surface of the door next to the driver's seating position. If none of the preceding locations is practicable, notification of that fact, together with drawings or photographs showing a suggested alternate location in the same general area, shall be submitted for approval to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Washington, DC 20590. The location of the label shall be such that it is easily readable without moving any part of the vehicle except an outer door.

(d) The label for trailers shall be affixed to a location on the forward half of the left side, such that it is easily readable from outside the vehicle without moving any part of the vehicle.

(e) The label for motorcycles shall be affixed to a permanent member of the vehicle as close as is practicable to the intersection of the steering post with the handle bars, in a location such that it is easily readable without moving any part of the vehicle except the steering system.

(f) The lettering on the label shall be of a color that contrasts with the background of the label.

(g) The label shall contain the following statements, in the English language, lettered in block capitals and numerals not less than three thirty-seconds of an inch high, in the order shown:

(1) Name of manufacturer: Except as provided in paragraphs (g)(1) (i), (ii), and (iii) of this section, the full corporate or individual name of the actual assembler of the vehicle shall be spelled out, except that such abbreviations as "Co." or "Inc." and their foreign equivalents, and the first and middle initials of individuals, may be used. The name of the manufacturer shall be preceded by the words "Manufactured By" or "Mfd By." In the case of imported vehicles, where the label required by this section is affixed by the Registered Importer, the name of the Registered Importer shall also be placed on the label in the manner described in this paragraph, directly below the name of the final assembler.

(i) If a vehicle is assembled by a corporation that is controlled by another

corporation that assumes responsibility for conformity with the standards, the name of the controlling corporation may be used.

(ii) If a vehicle is fabricated and delivered in complete but unassembled form, such that it is designed to be assembled without special machinery or tools, the fabricator of the vehicle may affix the label and name itself as the manufacturer for the purposes of this section.

(iii) If a trailer is sold by a person who is not its manufacturer, but who is engaged in the manufacture of trailers and assumes legal responsibility for all duties and liabilities imposed by the Act with respect to that trailer, the name of that person may appear on the label as the manufacturer. In such a case the name shall be preceded by the words "Responsible Manufacturer" or "Resp Mfr."

(2) Month and year of manufacture: This shall be the time during which work was completed at the place of main assembly of the vehicle. It may be spelled out, as "June 1970", or expressed in numerals, as "6/70."

(3) "Gross Vehicle Weight Rating" or "GVWR," followed by the appropriate value in pounds, which shall not be less than the sum of the unloaded vehicle weight, rated cargo load, and 150 pounds times the vehicle's designated seating capacity. However, for school buses the minimum occupant weight allowance shall be 120 pounds.

(4) "Gross Axle Weight Rating" or "GAWR," followed by the appropriate value in pounds for each axle, identified in order from front to rear (e.g., front, first intermediate, second intermediate, rear). The ratings for any consecutive axles having identical gross axle weight ratings when equipped with tires having the same tire size designation may, at the option of the manufacturer, be stated as a single value, with label indicating to which axles the ratings apply.

EXAMPLES OF COMBINED RATINGS

GAWR: (a) All axles—4080 with 7.00-15 LT (D) tires.

(b) Front—12,000 with 10.00-20(G) tires.

First intermediate to rear—15,000 with 12.00-20(H) tires.

(5) The statement: "This vehicle conforms to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards in effect on the date of manufacture shown above." The expression "U.S." or "U.S.A." may be inserted before the word "Federal".

(i) In the case of passenger cars manufactured on or after September 1, 1978, the expression "and bumper" shall be included in the statement following the word "safety".

(ii) In the case of 1987 and subsequent model year passenger cars manufactured on or after April 24, 1986, the expression "safety, bumper, and theft prevention" shall be substituted in the statement for the word "safety".

(iii) In the case of multipurpose passenger vehicles (MPVs) and trucks with a GVWR of 6,000 pounds or less manufactured on or after June 11, 1999, the expression "and theft prevention" shall be included in the statement following the word "safety".

(6) Vehicle identification number.

(7) The type classification of the vehicle as defined in §571.3 of this chapter (e.g., truck, MPV, bus, trailer).

(h) Multiple GVWR-GAWR ratings. (1) (For passenger cars only) In cases where different tire sizes are offered as a customer option, a manufacturer may at his option list more than one set of values for GVWR and GAWR, in response to the requirements of paragraphs (g) (3) and (4) of this section. If the label shows more than one set of weight rating values, each value shall be followed by the phrase "with \_\_\_\_\_ tires," inserting the proper tire size designations. A manufacturer may at his option list one or more tire sizes where only one set of weight ratings is provided.

PASSENGER CAR EXAMPLE

GVWR:

4400 LB with G78-14B Tires, 4800 LB with H78-14B Tires.

GAWR:

Front—2000 LB with G78-14B Tires at 24 psi, 2200 LB with H78-14B Tires at 24 psi.

Rear—2400 LB with G78-14B Tires at 28 psi, 2600 LB with H78-14B Tires at 28 psi.

(2) (For multipurpose passenger vehicles, trucks, buses, trailers, and motorcycles) The manufacturer may, at its option, list more than one GVWR-GAWR-tire-rim-combination on the label, as long as the listing conforms in

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content and format to the requirements for tire-rim-inflation information set forth in Standard No. 120 of this chapter (§ 571.120).

(3) At the option of the manufacturer, additional GVWR–GAWR ratings for operation of the vehicle at reduced speeds may be listed at the bottom of the certification label following any information that is required to be listed.

(i) [Reserved]

(j) A manufacturer may, at his option, provide information concerning which tables in the document that accompanies the vehicle pursuant to § 575.6(a) of this chapter apply to the vehicle. This information may not precede or interrupt the information required by paragraph (g) of this section.

(k) In the case of passenger cars admitted to the United States under 49 CFR part 592 to which the label required by this section has not been affixed by the original producer or assembler of the passenger car, a label meeting the requirements of this paragraph shall be affixed by the importer before the vehicle is imported into the United States, if the car is from a line listed in Appendix A of 49 CFR Part 541. This label shall be in addition to, and not in place of, the label required by paragraphs (a) through (j), inclusive, of this section.

(1) The label shall, unless riveted, be permanently affixed in such a manner that it cannot be removed without destroying or defacing it.

(2) The label shall be affixed to either the hinge pillar, door-latch post, or the door edge that meets the door-latch post, next to the driver's seating position, or, if none of these locations is practicable, to the left side of the instrument panel. If that location is also not practicable, the label shall be affixed to the inward-facing surface of the door next to the driver's seating position. The location of the label shall be such that it is easily readable without moving any part of the vehicle except an outer door.

(3) The lettering on the label shall be of a color that contrasts with the background of the label.

(4) The label shall contain the following statements, in the English language, lettered in block capitals and numerals not less than three thirty-

seconds of an inch high, in the order shown:

(i) Model year (if applicable) or year of manufacture and line of the vehicle, as reported by the manufacturer that produced or assembled the vehicle. "Model year" is used as defined in § 565.3(h) of this chapter. "Line" is used as defined in § 541.4 of this chapter.

(ii) Name of the importer: The full corporate or individual name of the importer of the vehicle shall be spelled out, except that such abbreviations as "Co." or "Inc." and their foreign equivalents and the middle initial of individuals, may be used. The name of the importer shall be preceded by the words "Imported By".

(iii) The statement: "This vehicle conforms to the applicable Federal motor vehicle theft prevention standard in effect on the date of manufacture."

(1)(1) In the case of a passenger car imported into the United States under 49 CFR 591.5(f) which does not have an identification number that complies with 49 CFR 565.4 (b), (c), and (g) at the time of importation, the Registered Importer shall permanently affix a label to the vehicle in such a manner that, unless the label is riveted, it cannot be removed without being destroyed or defaced. The label shall be in addition to the label required by paragraph (a) of this section, and shall be affixed to the vehicle in a location specified in paragraph (c) of this section.

(2) The label shall contain the following statement, in the English language, lettered in block capitals and numerals not less than 4 mm high, with the location on the vehicle of the original manufacturer's identification number provided in the blank: ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER SUBSTITUTING FOR U.S. VIN IS LOCATED

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**§ 567.5 Requirements for manufacturers of vehicles manufactured in two or more stages.**

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, each manufacturer of a chassis-cab shall affix a label to each chassis-cab manufactured on or after July 25, 1978, in the location and form specified in § 567.4, that contains the following statements to the extent that they are applicable.

(1) "This chassis-cab conforms to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of the safety standards (e.g., 101, 207) to which the chassis-cab conforms.

(2) "This vehicle will conform to Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ if it is completed in accordance with the instructions contained in the incomplete vehicle document furnished pursuant to 49 CFR part 568." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of the safety standards conformity to which is substantially affected by both the design of the chassis-cab and the manner in which the vehicle is completed (i.e., the standards listed under category (ii) in § 568.4(a)(7) of this chapter).

(3) "Conformity to the other safety standards applicable to this vehicle when completed is not substantially affected by the design of the chassis-cab."

(4) Name of chassis-cab manufacturer preceded by the words "CHASSIS-CAB MANUFACTURED BY" or "CHASSIS-CAB MFD BY".

(5) Month and year of manufacture of chassis-cab. This may be spelled out, as in "JUNE 1970", or expressed in numerals, as in "6/70". No preface is required.

(b) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section, each intermediate manufacturer of a vehicle manufactured in two or more stages shall affix a label, in the location and form specified in § 567.4, to each chassis-cab respecting which he is required by § 568.5 to furnish an addendum to the incomplete vehicle document described in § 568.4. However, this paragraph applies only to chassis-cabs that have been certified by a chassis-cab manufacturer in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section. The label shall con-

tain the following statements as appropriate.

(1)(i) "With respect to Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_, the instructions of prior manufacturers have been followed so that the chassis-cab now conforms to these standards." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of all or less than all of the standards, and only those standards, respecting which the latest prior certification statement was in the form prescribed in paragraph (a)(2) or (b)(2) of this section.

(ii) "This chassis-cab conforms to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of the other standards to which the chassis-cab conforms, excluding those standards respecting which the latest prior certification statement was in the form prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1), (b)(1)(i), or this paragraph.

(2) "This vehicle will conform to Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ if it is completed in accordance with the instructions contained in the amended incomplete vehicle document furnished pursuant to 49 CFR part 568." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of the standards conformity to which is substantially affected by both the design of the chassis-cab (as modified by the intermediate manufacturer) and the manner in which the vehicle is completed.

(3) "Conformity to Standard Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ is no longer substantially affected by the design of this chassis-cab." The statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of all or less than all of the standards, and only those standards, respecting which the latest prior certification statement was in the form prescribed in paragraphs (a) (1) and (2), (b)(1) (i) and (ii), or (b)(2) of this section.

(4) Name of intermediate manufacturer, preceded by the words "INTERMEDIATE MANUFACTURE BY" or "INTERMEDIATE MFR BY".

(5) Month and year in which the intermediate manufacturer performed his last manufacturing operation on the chassis-cab. This may be spelled out, as "JUNE 1970", or expressed as numerals, as "6/70". No preface is required.

(c) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section, each final-stage manufacturer, as defined in §568.3 of Title 49 of the CFR, of a vehicle manufactured in two or more stages shall affix to each vehicle a label, of the type and in the manner and form described in §567.4 of this part, containing the following statements:

(1) Name of final-stage manufacturer, preceded by the words “MANUFACTURED BY” or “MFD BY”.

(2) Month and year in which final-stage manufacture is completed. This may be spelled out, as in “JUNE 1970”, or expressed in numerals, as in “6/70”. No preface is required.

(3) Name of original manufacturer of the incomplete vehicle, preceded by the words “INCOMPLETE VEHICLE MANUFACTURED BY” or “INC VEH MFD BY”. This item and item (4) may be omitted in cases where the incomplete vehicle was a chassis-cab.

(4) Month and year in which the original manufacturer of the incomplete vehicle performed his last manufacturing operation on the incomplete vehicle, in the same form as paragraph (c)(2) of this section.

(5) “GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING” or “GVWR”, followed by the appropriate value in pounds, which shall not be less than the sum of the unloaded vehicle weight, rated cargo load, and 150 pounds times the vehicle’s designated seating capacity. However, for school buses the minimum occupant weight allowance shall be 120 pounds.

(6) “GROSS AXLE WEIGHT RATING” or “GAWR”, followed by the appropriate value in pounds for each axle, identified in order from front to rear (e.g., front, first intermediate, second intermediate, rear). The ratings for any consecutive axles having identical gross axle weight ratings when equipped with tires having the same tire size designation may be stated as a single value, with the label indicating to which axles the rating apply.

#### EXAMPLES OF COMBINED RATINGS

GAWR: (a) All axles—4080 with 7.00–15 LT(D) tires; (b) Front—12,000 with 10.00–20(G) tires. First intermediate to rear—15,000 with 12.00–20(H) tires.

(7) One of the following statements as appropriate. Statements (i), (ii), and (iii) are alternative certification statements. Statement (i) may be used by manufacturers meeting the requirements described in the instruction portion of that paragraph. Statements (ii) and (iii) may be used by any final-stage manufacturer.

(i) “Conformity of the chassis-cab to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, which have been previously fully certified by the incomplete vehicle manufacturer or intermediate vehicle manufacturer, has not been affected by final-stage manufacture. The vehicle has been completed in accordance with the prior manufacturer’s instructions, where applicable. This vehicle conforms to all other applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards in effect in (month, year).”

The preceding statement shall be used only in cases in which the final-stage manufacturer has:

(A) Not affected conformity to standards compliance with which has been fully certified by a chassis-cab manufacturer pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this section or by an intermediate manufacturer pursuant to paragraphs (b)(1)(i) or (b)(1)(ii) of this section, and (B) has completed the vehicle in accordance with the prior manufacturer’s instructions in regard to standards listed, as appropriate, in a chassis-cab manufacturer’s conditional statement under paragraph (a)(2) of this section or in an intermediate manufacturer’s conditional statement under paragraph (b)(2) of this section. The date shown in the third sentence of the statement shall be not earlier than the manufacturing date of the incomplete vehicle, and not later than the date of completion of final-stage manufacture.

(ii) “Conformity of the chassis-cab to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ has not been affected by final stage manufacture. With respect to Standards Nos. \_\_\_\_\_, the vehicle has been completed in accordance with the prior manufacturer’s instructions. This vehicle conforms to all other applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards in effect in (month, year).”

The first sentence of the preceding statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of all or less than all of the standards, and only those standards, respecting which the latest prior certification statement was made by a chassis-cab manufacturer pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this section or by an intermediate manufacturer pursuant to paragraphs (b)(1)(i) or (b)(1)(ii) of this section. The second sentence of the statement shall be completed by inserting the numbers of all or less than all of the standards and only those standards, respecting which the latest prior certification statement was a chassis-cab manufacturer's conditional statement under paragraph (a)(2) of this section or an intermediate manufacturer's conditional statement under paragraph (b)(2) of this section. The date shown in the third sentence of the statement shall be not earlier than the manufacturing date of the incomplete vehicle, and not later than the date of completion of final-stage manufacture.

(iii) "This vehicle conforms to all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards in effect in (month, year)."

The date shown shall be not earlier than the manufacturing date of the incomplete vehicle and not later than the date of completion of final-stage manufacture.

(8) Vehicle identification number.

(9) The type classification of the vehicle as defined in § 571.3 of Title 49 of the CFR (e.g., truck, MPV, bus, trailer).

(d) More than one set of figures for GVWR and GAWR, and one or more tire sizes, may be listed in satisfaction of the requirements of paragraphs (c) (5) and (6) of this section, as provided in § 567.4(h).

(e) If an incomplete vehicle manufacturer assumes legal responsibility for all duties and liabilities imposed by the Act, with respect to the vehicle as finally manufactured, the incomplete vehicle manufacturer shall ensure that a label is affixed to the final vehicle in conformity with paragraph (c) of this section, except that the name of the incomplete vehicle manufacturer shall appear instead of the name of the final-stage manufacturer after the words "MANUFACTURED BY" or "MFD BY"

required by paragraph (c)(1) of this section, the additional manufacturer's name required by paragraph (c)(3) of this section shall be omitted, and the date required by paragraph (c)(4) of this section shall be preceded by the words "INCOMPLETE VEHICLE MANUFACTURED" or "INC VEH MFD."

(f) If an intermediate manufacturer of a vehicle assumes legal responsibility for all duties and liabilities imposed on manufacturers by the Act, with respect to the vehicle as finally manufactured, the intermediate manufacturer shall ensure that a label is affixed to the final vehicle in conformity with paragraph (c) of this section, except that the name of the intermediate manufacturer shall appear instead of the name of the final-stage manufacturer after the words "MANUFACTURED BY" or "MFD BY" required by paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

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**§ 567.6 Requirements for persons who do not alter certified vehicles or do so with readily attachable components.**

A person who does not alter a motor vehicle or who alters such a vehicle only by the addition, substitution, or removal of readily attachable components such as mirrors or tires and rim assemblies, or minor finishing operations such as painting, in such a manner that the vehicle's stated weight ratings are still valid, need not affix a label to the vehicle, but shall allow a manufacturer's label that conforms to the requirements of this part to remain affixed to the vehicle. If such a person is a distributor of the motor vehicle, allowing the manufacturer's label to remain affixed to the vehicle shall satisfy the distributor's certification requirements under the Act.

[38 FR 15962, June 19, 1973]

**§ 567.7 Requirements for persons who alter certified vehicles.**

A person who alters a vehicle that has previously been certified in accordance with § 567.4 or § 567.5, other than

by the addition, substitution, or removal of readily attachable components such as mirrors or tire and rim assemblies, or minor finishing operations such as painting, or who alters the vehicle in such a manner that its stated weight ratings are no longer valid, before the first purchase of the vehicle in good faith for purposes other than resale, shall allow the original certification label to remain on the vehicle, and shall affix to the vehicle an additional label of the type and in the manner and form described in §567.4, containing the following information:

(a) The statement: “This vehicle was altered by (individual or corporate name) in (month and year in which alterations were completed) and as altered it conforms to all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards affected by the alteration and in effect in (month, year).” The second date shall be no earlier than the manufacturing date of the original vehicle, and no later than the date alterations were completed.

(1) In the case of passenger cars manufactured on or after January 1, 2000, the expression “safety, bumper, and theft prevention” shall be substituted in the statement for the word “safety”.

(2) In the case of multipurpose passenger vehicles (MPVs) and trucks with a GVWR of 6,000 pounds or less manufactured on or after January 1, 2000, the expression “and theft prevention” shall be included in the statement following the word “safety”.

(b) If the gross vehicle weight rating or any of the gross axle weight ratings of the vehicle as altered are different from those shown on the original certification label, the modified values shall be provided in the form specified in §567.4(g) (3) and (5).

(c) If the vehicle as altered has a different type classification from that shown on the original certification label, the type as modified shall be provided.

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### § 568.1 Purpose and scope.

The purpose of this part is to prescribe the method by which manufacturers of vehicles manufactured in two or more stages shall ensure conformity of those vehicles with the Federal motor vehicle safety standards (“standards”) and other regulations issued under the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

[36 FR 7057, Apr. 14, 1971]

### § 568.2 Application.

This part applies to incomplete vehicle manufacturers, intermediate manufacturers, and final-stage manufacturers of vehicles manufactured in two or more stages.

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### § 568.3 Definitions.

*Completed vehicle* means a vehicle that requires no further manufacturing operations to perform its intended function, other than the addition of readily attachable components, such as mirrors or tire and rim assemblies, or minor finishing operations such as painting.

*Final-stage manufacturer* means a person who performs such manufacturing operations on an incomplete vehicle that it becomes a completed vehicle.