

**Subpart E—Procedures for Approval of Individual Road Vehicles**

**§ 115.48 General.**

This subpart provides for the approval and certification of individual road vehicles that comply with the technical requirements in § 115.51.

**§ 115.49 Application.**

A written request for approval of an individual road vehicle may be made by the owner, or carrier to a Certifying Authority and must include:

- (a) Three copies, each no larger than 3 feet by 4 feet, of the Customs and TIR plan;
- (b) Customs and TIR plan number;
- (c) Three copies of the specifications which include the following information:
  - (1) Type of vehicle;
  - (2) Name and business address of owner or operator;
  - (3) Name of the manufacturer;
  - (4) Chassis number;
  - (5) Engine number (if applicable);
  - (6) Registration number;
  - (7) Particulars of construction;
  - (8) Any photos or diagrams required by the Certifying Authority to facilitate approval; and
  - (9) A proposed place and date for inspection of the road vehicle.

**§ 115.50 Eligibility.**

A road vehicle may be submitted for inspection by its owner or operator to a Certifying Authority of the country in which the owner or operator is a resident or is established, or where the vehicle is registered.

**§ 115.51 Technical requirements.**

A road vehicle that is submitted for inspection for individual approval must comply with the requirements of Annex 2 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods Under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention), November 14, 1975, (TIAS). Copies of Annex 2 may be obtained from the Headquarters, U.S. Customs Service, Office of Field Operations, 1300

Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20229.

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**§ 115.52 Approval.**

The Certifying Authority shall issue a certificate of approval, valid for 2 years, to each road vehicle that complies with the applicable requirements in § 115.51.

**§ 115.53 Certificate of approval.**

A certificate of approval must be kept on the vehicle as evidence of approval.

**§ 115.54 Renewal of certificate.**

A certificate of approval may be renewed if the Certifying Authority determines by inspection every 2 years that the vehicle continues to comply with the applicable requirements in § 115.51.

**§ 115.55 Termination of approval.**

Approval of a road vehicle terminates:

- (a) Upon expiration of the certificate of approval; or
- (b) Upon a change in the road vehicle by a major repair or alteration of any of the essential features required in § 115.51. Repairs by replacement in kind do not constitute a change of the essential features.

**Subpart F—Procedures for Approval of Road Vehicles by Design Type**

**§ 115.60 General.**

This subpart provides for the approval and certification of road vehicles manufactured by design type.

**§ 115.61 Eligibility.**

Any manufacturer of road vehicles which are being manufactured in a type series from a standard design and specifications, so that each road vehicle has identical characteristics, may apply for an approval by design type.

**§ 115.62 Where to apply.**

A manufacturer may apply for approval of a road vehicle by design type