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New VIRM and amendments

You should by now have received your new three volume edition of the *VIRM: In-service certification (WoF and CoF)* and also an urgent update to it (with the coloured pages). If you haven't received either of these please call 0800 587 287 and press option 4, or email dvcupn@nzta.govt.nz.

The VIRM is also available on the NZTA website at:
www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/virm-in-service-certification/index.html

The next scheduled 'proper' amendment is due in September this year.

For those of you who are also entry certifiers, amendment 2 to the *VIRM: Entry certification* came into effect on 30 April 2010. Contact the phone number or email address above if you haven't received your copy.

Rough-terrain vs all-terrain cranes

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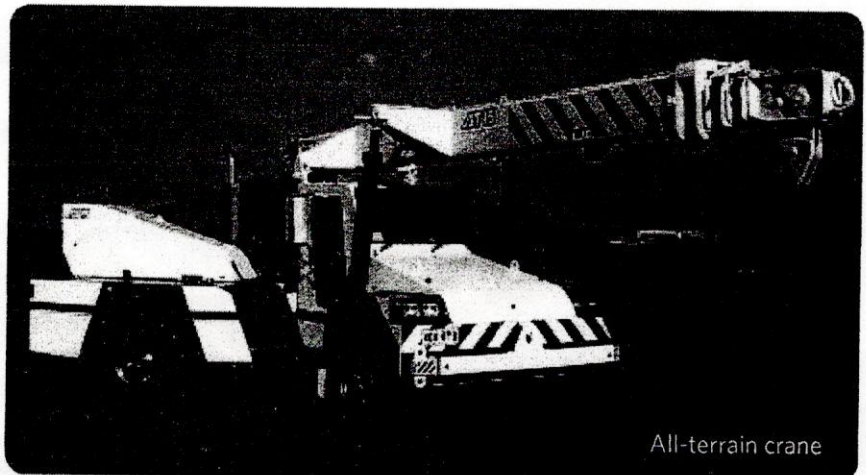


Rough-terrain crane

Rough-terrain cranes are CoF and entry certification exempt, and are registered on an MR2B as a mobile machine. A rough-terrain crane is designed principally for off-road use. It runs on wheels without cushioning suspension and is incapable of travelling at highway speeds (highway speed is considered to be greater than 50kph).

All-terrain cranes require a CoF and entry certification (class NA, NB or NC) and are registered on an MR2A as a special purpose vehicle. An all-terrain crane is designed for both on and off-road use. It runs on wheels with cushioning suspension and is capable of travelling at highway speeds.

For example the Franna AT-15, pictured below, can travel at 85km/h and has suspension - it is an all-terrain crane, while the Tadano GR-600XL-1, pictured above, has no cushioning suspension and can travel at a maximum of 40km/h - it is a rough-terrain crane.



All-terrain crane