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ICNZ Submission on the Proposed Changes to Light Vehicle Inspections

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Proposed Changes to Light Vehicle Inspections as outlined in the NZTA discussion document 29 October 2025.

Te Kahui Inihua o Aotearoa I The Insurance Council of New Zealand (ICNZ) represents general insurers. Our members accept the risks of over NZ\$2 trillion of New Zealand's assets and liabilities. ICNZ's members provide insurance products ranging from those usually purchased by individuals (such as home and contents insurance, travel insurance, and motor vehicle insurance) to those purchased by small businesses and larger organisations (such as product and public liability insurance, professional indemnity insurance, cyber insurance, forestry & horticulture insurance, livestock insurance, commercial property insurance, and directors' and officers' insurance).

The Insurance Council has consulted with it member insurers that provide motor insurance products on the proposed changes to the Wof & CoF A inspection frequency of light vehicles.

Our members generally support the proposed extensions in Wof & CoF A inspection frequency as outlined in summary on page 6 of the consultation document so long as there is a step up in effective enforcement on plainly visible safety items such as worn tyres and wiper blades and non-operational lights. We agree that increasing public education will be important, however improved enforcement will be key to help prevent noncompliance and the resulting risks to road safety in New Zealand caused by unsafe motor vehicles.

Please contact me if you do have any questions concerning our feedback.

Ngā mihi,

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