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TECHNICAL ISSUES

Windscreen Grooving

This modification is being done by grinding a groove into the windscreen just above the park position of the wiper blades. The idea is that the wiper blade is then cleaned each time it passes over the groove. Another system is to stick a strip with a raised herringbone pattern to the windscreen in the same area. Neither of these techniques adversely affects the windscreen or the wiper blades and should not be a reason for rejecting a windscreen during a Roadworthy inspection.

LPG Only Vehicles

If a vehicle which has been converted to run solely on LPG is presented for a roadworthiness inspection, it should not be able to run on petrol. To ensure this is the case the fuel pump and the fuel lines must be removed. Because the fuel tank on many vehicles forms part of the vehicle

structure, such as the boot floor, and/or the spare wheel carrier, it is not necessary for it to be removed. However, if the tank is left in place any pipes or fittings which remain after the fuel lines are removed **MUST** be sealed. This will ensure that if the tank is accidentally filled no leakage will occur. It will also make sure that there is no danger of an explosion caused by any remaining petrol vapour in the tank.

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