

UNIT 15 *Vehicle Registration Marks*

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OS 15.1*Vehicle Registration Mark*

Current system

Age identifier

(changes in September and March each year;

'51' September 2001; '02' March 2002;

'52' September 2002; '03' March 2003';

etc.)

AB51 DVL

Local memory tag
(I, Q, Z not used)

Random letters
(I and Q excluded)

OS 15.2*Regions for Local Memory Tags*

Local memory tags from September 2001

A	Anglia : Peterborough (AA - AN), Norwich (AO - AU), Ipswich (AV - AY)	M	Manchester : Manchester (MA - MY except MN - reserved for Isle of Man system only)
B	Birmingham : Birmingham (BA - BY)	N	North East : Newcastle (NA - NO), Stockton (NP - NY)
C	Cymru (Wales) : Cardiff (CA - CO), Swansea (CP - CV), Bangor (CW - CY)	O	Oxford : Oxford (OA - OY)
D	Deeside / Shrewsbury : Chester (DA - DK), Shrewsbury (DL - DY)	P	Preston & Peaks : Preston (PA -PT), Carlisle (PU - PY)
E	Essex : Chelmsford (EA - EY)	R	Reading : Reading (RA - RY)
F	Forest & Fens : Nottingham (FA -FP), Lincoln (FR - FY)	S	Scotland : Glasgow (A - J), Edinburgh (K - O), Dundee (P - T) Aberdeen (U - W), Inverness (X, Y)
G	Garden of England : Maidstone (GA - GO), Brighton (GP - GY)	V	Severn Valley : Worcester (VA - VY)
H	Hampshire & Dorset : Bournemouth (HA - HJ), Portsmouth (HK - HY except Isle of Wight - HW)	W	West : Bristol (WA - WN), Exeter (WO - WW), Truro (WX - WY)
K	n/a : Luton (KA - KL) Northampton (KM - KY)	Y	Yorkshire : Leeds (YA - YK), Sheffield (YL - YU), Beverley (YV - YY)
L	London : Wimbledon (LA - LJ), Stanmore (LK - LT), Sidcup (LU - LY)		X series used for EC exports, Q series for temporary imports (J, T, U spare)

City and town names show issuing Vehicle Registration Office

In the event of one office receiving an exceptionally high demand that depletes its stock of registration marks, marks may be transferred between DVLA local offices

OS 15.3*Age Identifiers*

Age identifiers from September 2001 to August 2011

	<i>Age identifier</i>		<i>Age identifier</i>
September 2001 – February 2002	51	March 2002 – August 2002	02
September 2002 – February 2003	52	March 2003 – August 2003	03
September 2003 – February 2004	53	March 2004 – August 2004	04
September 2004 – February 2005	54	March 2005 – August 2005	05
September 2005 – February 2006	55	March 2006 – August 2006	06
September 2006 – February 2007	56	March 2007 – August 2007	07
September 2007 – February 2008	57	March 2008 – August 2008	08
September 2008 – February 2009	58	March 2009 – August 2009	09
September 2009 – February 2010	59	March 2010 – August 2010	10
September 2010 – February 2011	60	March 2011 – August 2011	11

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Previous System

Previous system (before September 2001)

Up to three numbers and one letter,
issued by the local
licensing office



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Year indicator
(I, O, Q, U, Z
not used as year
indicators)

Two letters indicating
the code of the local
licensing office
(I, Q, Z not used)

OS 15.5

Registration Details

	<i>Year of registration (in thousands)</i>									
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Petrol cars	1140	1257	1409	1589	1714	1754	1789	1863	1806	16761
Diesel cars	306	307	293	289	204	272	289	412	586	674
All vehicles	1574	1715	1871	2075	2226	2246	2312	2537	2668	2669