

## Registration Service ISO 3779, ISO 3780 Assignment of WMI/VIS

**Each manufacturer responsible for production of road vehicles such as motor vehicles, towed vehicles, motorcycles and mopeds require a WMI/VIS code.**

### Who can apply for a WMI/VIS code?

Each manufacturer responsible for **production of road vehicles** such as motor vehicles, towed vehicles, motorcycles and mopeds. More details and clear definition of the vehicles as such, can be found in ISO 3833.

Manufacturers **producing fewer than 500 vehicles per year** will get on top of the WMI code, a VIS identification code. WMI code and VIS code are part of the VIN code.

VIN codes are defined under ISO 3779.

### Abbreviations

<b>WMI:</b>	World Manufacturer Identification,
<b>VIN:</b>	Vehicle Identification Number
<b>VIS:</b>	Vehicle Indicator Section

### What is the purpose of a WMI /VIS code?

The WMI/VIS registration enables the international recognized organization, the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) **to identify** on a world-wide basis, all manufacturers of road vehicles. SAE is acting under authorization of ISO.

### How can I apply?

The manufacturer of the road vehicles needs to apply for a WMI/VIS registration at the local National Organization in which he has his headquarters.

Note: The manufacturer may delegate the responsibility for the production to a subsidiary company. For Belgium, applying can be done by filling in the online available "**NBN Application Form**".

## Assigning WMI/VIS codes

VIN (Vehicle identifier number)		
WMI	VDS	VIS
(World Manufacturer identifier)	(Vehicle descriptor section)	(Vehicle indicator Section)
3 characters	6 characters	8 characters

- Manufacturer X produces 1 000 vehicles per year ( $\geq 500$  vehicles/year)**

Example: **YA1**

WMI	VDS	VIS
<b>YA1</b> (1,2,3)	xxx xxx (4,5,6,7,8,9)	xxxxx xxx (10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17)
Defined by annex A of ISO 3779. For Belgium, the first character is always Y. Second position is an alphabetic character from A to E. Third position is assigned by NBN and is consisting of an alphabetic character from A to Z ( I, O en Q are excluded) or numeric character from 1-8 (9 is reserved for production of less than 500 vehicles /year).	General attributes.	First character: Model year, construction year. Second character: Manufacturing plant. The last 4 characters are numerical.

- Manufacturer Y produces 200 vehicles per year ( $< 500$  vehicles/year)**

Example: **YA9 246**

WMI	VDS	VIS
<b>YA9</b> (1,2,3)	xxx xxx (4,5,6,7,8,9)	xx <b>246</b> xxx (10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17)
For Belgium, always between YA en YE and ending with a 9.	General attributes.	First character: Model year Second character: Manufacturing plant The 3th, 4th and 5th character are assigned by NBN. For example: 246 The last 4 characters are numerical.

## Registration fees

NBN charges a fee of EUR 500 (excluding 21% VAT). The fee is to be transferred to the following bank account:

Account number: **000-3255621-10**  
IBAN **BE41 0003 2556 2110**  
BIC **BPOTBEB1**  
The transfer statement should mention the following data:  
**WMI ISO 3780 ; <applicant name>**

## Getting the approvals

Within 30 days of receipt of the registration fee and positive verification of the application, the application is sent to the international Registration Authority for further treatment. Once the application is approved by the Registration Authority and NBN has received the assigned WMI code, the applicant will be informed.