

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER & ENGINE NUMBER

The Vehicle Identification Number (V.I.N.) is stamped on the chassis in the right hand front wheelarch area, viewable with the front wheels turned to right full lock, and is also printed on a label stuck to the inside of the chassis sideframe alongside the driver's seat. The engine number is marked on a vertical patch at the left hand end of the forward face of the cylinder block, and is most easily viewed using a mirror.

Both numbers should always be quoted with any vehicle enquiries, as Factory records are filed against V.I.N., and specification change points are identified by V.I.N. or engine number. The vehicle licence number may not accurately reflect vehicle age, may also be changed during the car's life, and is an unreliable method of vehicle identification.

The V.I.N. comprises 17 characters, coded in accordance with European Economic Community (EEC) directives. For change point identification in Service Notes and Service Parts Lists, characters 10 (model year) and 15 - 17, or 14 - 17 (serial number) will be quoted.

