

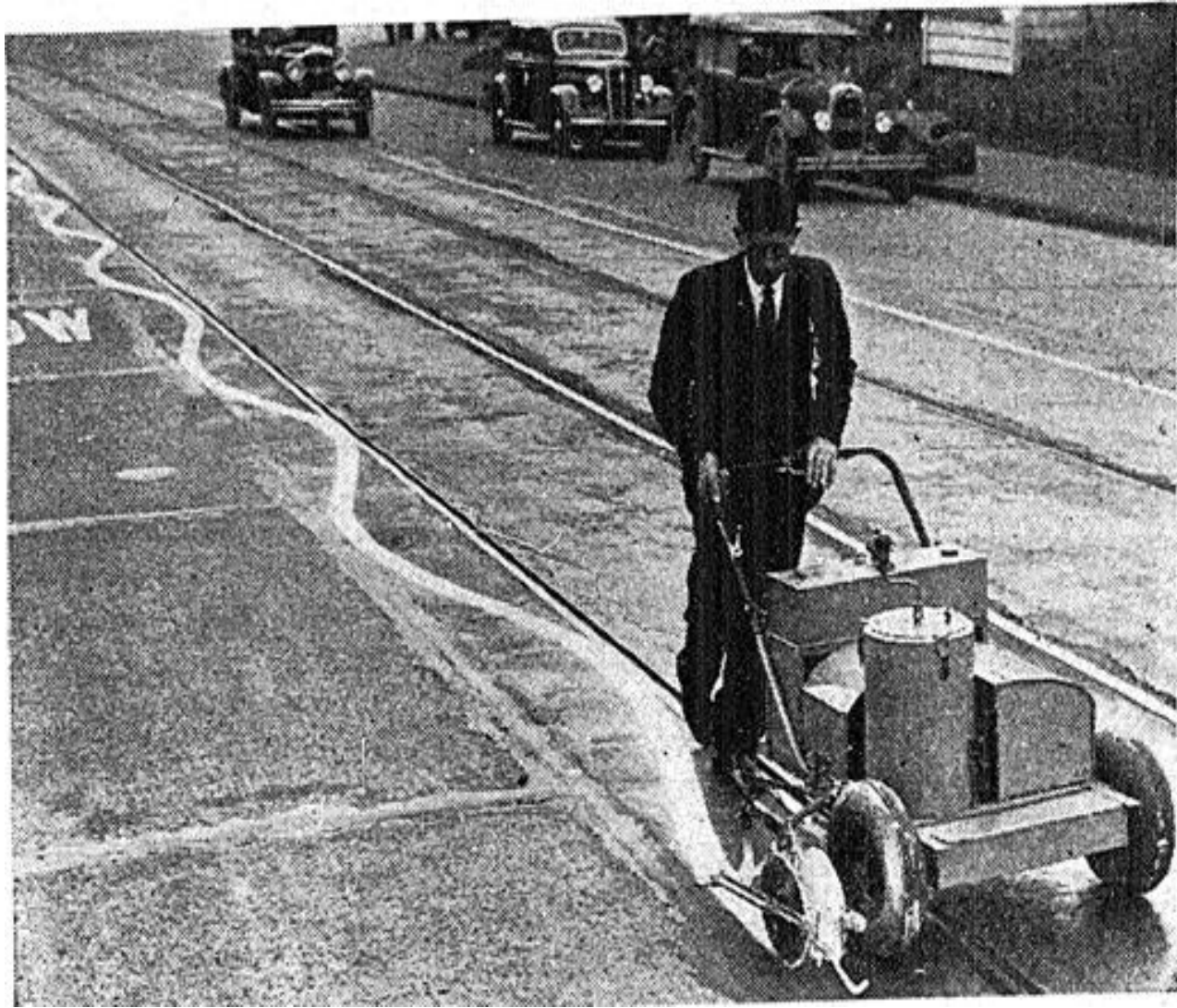


T 8 Summary of Audits



Purpose

- To assess and report on the standard of T 8 testing being carried out by Testing Officers
- Audit findings and recommendations are provided to all Testing Officers and contractors to enable them to examine quality systems to ensure compliance







Scope

- There are 20 Testing Officers currently on the register (19 in 2018)
- Auditing in 2018/19
- Five audits on Testing Officers were carried out
- Two were selected through the cyclic audit selection process, two for applicators unregistered for several years and one was testing under observation.



Audit procedures

- A comprehensive audit procedure document was written in December 2017
- Contents will be discussed with Testing Officers at the workshop in 2019
- Includes templates of letters and report formats



Audit one

- There were a number of errors with the certificate information
- Verification had not been undertaken before certificates were forwarded
- Photographs were inadequate for chassis number identification and fire extinguisher
- The spill kit was recorded on the check list as N/A



Audit one

- Test plates on rechecking had readings slightly lower than initial readings
- Verification of test plates became protracted due to other work commitments and access to elcometers
- One reading was greater than the upper tolerance but recorded incorrectly on the test sheet
- Considerable time elapsed between testing and submission of information and certificates



Audit two

- The audit became protracted through delays with verification of plates and plastazotes and requests for additional photos
- There was a variance between the GVM on the check sheets and the photo
- There was a variance between the bead tank capacity on the check list and the certificate
- There was no safety information on the paint tanks
- Pressure equipment calculations did not use pressure release valve rating for calculating



Audit three

- Reliance on FH ‘Certified Safe’ checklist. A copy should be retained with the test records. The check list had inadequate information for the following:
 - Marking materials vessels correctly signed and placarded
 - Emergency procedures
 - Spill kit
 - First aid kit



Audit three

- No photograph of testing in progress
- Date stamps not shown on all photos
- Completion of certification became protracted and a later certificate date was used than the last date of testing. Any changes to procedure need to be discussed with the registrar. In this case further test runs were undertaken.
- Not all of the check lists have been signed or completed by the verifier



Audit four

- Verification was not carried out by an independent verifier
- The compressor serial number was incorrectly recorded on the certificate
- Photos were inadequate for the bead batch number and class of bead
- No photo of the chassis number of the trolley
- No safety information on the paint tanks



Audit four

- Variation between the information on the check list and pressure calculation sheet. In this case this would lower the risk/rating number
- Test plates were slightly lower on rechecking than the original measurement.



Audit five

- Hazard rating sheet identified a 'Controller' who was unlikely to understand their responsibilities
- Compliance with HASNO was recorded as class 3. EPA HSR Group Standard number needs to be recorded
- A number of photos were missing
- Test plates were not uniquely identified as to test number

