

[Docket No. 95-15; Notice 1]

Receipt of Petition for Decision That Nonconforming 1985 Suzuki GS850 Motorcycles Are Eligible for Importation

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of petition for decision that nonconforming 1985 Suzuki GS850 motorcycles are eligible for importation.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that a 1985 Suzuki GS850 that was not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards is eligible for importation into the United States because it has safety features that comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with, all such standards.

DATES: The closing date for comments on the petition is on April 13, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to the docket number and notice number, and be submitted to: Docket Section, Room 5109, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20590. [Docket hours are from 9:30 am to 4 pm].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ted Bayler, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-5306).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) (formerly section 108(c)(3)(A)(i)(I) of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (the Act)), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115 (formerly section 114 of the Act), and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. Where there is no substantially similar U.S.-certified motor vehicle, 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(B) (formerly section 108(c)(3)(A)(i)(II) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 1397(c)(3)(A)(i)(II)) permits a nonconforming motor vehicle to be admitted into the United States if its safety features comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with,

all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards based on destructive test data or such other evidence as NHTSA decides to be adequate.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR Part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

G&K Automotive Conversion, Inc. of Santa Ana, California (Registered Importer No. R-90-007) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether 1985 Suzuki GS850 motorcycles are eligible for importation into the United States. The petitioner contends that this vehicle is eligible for importation under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(B) because it has safety features that comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with, all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Specifically, the petitioner claims that the 1985 Suzuki GS850 has safety features that comply with Standards Nos. 106 *Brake Hoses*, 116 *Brake Fluids*, 119 *New Pneumatic Tires for Vehicles other than Passenger Cars*, and 122 *Motorcycle Brake Systems*.

The petitioner further contends that the vehicle is capable of being readily altered to meet the following standards, in the manner indicated:

Standard No. 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment*: (a) Installation of headlamps with DOT markings; (b) installation of stoplamp and taillamp lenses with DOT markings; (c) installation of turn signal lamps and lenses with DOT markings; (d) installation of amber front and red rear reflectors with DOT markings; (e) installation of a white license plate lamp and lens with DOT markings; (f) rewiring of the ignition switch so that the headlamp and taillamp are illuminated when the ignition is turned on.

Standard No. 111 *Rearview Mirrors*: Installation of rearview mirrors with DOT markings.

Standard No. 115 *Vehicle Identification Number*: Installation of a VIN plate and VIN reference label on the vehicle.

Standard No. 120 *Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles other than*

Passenger Cars: Installation of a tire information placard.

Standard No. 123 *Motorcycle Controls and Displays*: (a) Installation of an illuminated speedometer, calibrated in miles per hour; (b) installation of approve symbols on controls for supplemental engine stop, turn signal, headlamp, and horn.

Standard No. 205 *Glazing Materials*: Installation of a windshield with DOT markings.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the petition described above. Comments should refer to the docket number and be submitted to: Docket Section, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 5109, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. It is requested but not required that 10 copies be submitted.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above address both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141 (a)(1)(B) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

Issued on March 8, 1995.

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Acting Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.

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[Docket No. 95-14; Notice 1]

Receipt of Petition for Decision That Nonconforming 1973 Lancia Fulvia 1.3 S 2-Door Coupes Are Eligible for Importation

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of petition for decision that nonconforming 1973 Lancia Fulvia 1.3 S 2-Door Coupe passenger cars are eligible for importation.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that a 1973 Lancia Fulvia 1.3 S 2-Door Coupe that was not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards is eligible for importation into the United States