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Restricted Refrigerant Recoverer Course

It has been pleasing to note that the first 1 day restricted air conditioning recovery training course was run on the 17th of May, facilitated by Joe Ballardini, the MTA WA Training Manager. This course covered both theory and practical application.

The course covered theory aspects in the morning, including the safe working with refrigerants, reporting and the Automotive Air Conditioning Code of Practice.

Following lunch, the course moved onto the practical element covering identifying refrigerants and the usage, care and serviceability of recovery equipment on end of life vehicles (ELVs) in a workshop environment.

The feedback from the attendees was very positive, with much praise for Joe's knowledgeable delivery of the course and personable, humorous manner.

Further courses are to be run subject to demand. These courses are also available to non-members, subject to availability.

Any prospective attendees should note that the Australian Refrigeration Council (ARC) requires that all course attendees will need to have a current Refrigerant Recoverer Transitional Licence (RRTL08) or a trainee licence prior to attending this course.

Repairers Licensing Update

With the first renewals of Repairer Business Licence (MRB) now coming though in number, the MTA WA has been discussing the resulting concerns with the WA Department of Commerce. The local government requirements have now been removed, with discussions ongoing regarding streamlining the remainder of the process.

While the Repairer Licence is not required for automotive parts recycling/wrecking in WA (as it is covered under the dealer licence system), a substantial number of APRAWA members are in possession of a repairers licence, to cover parts fitting and other mechanical services they may offer.

As always, WA members should contact APRA WA Division Manager Mark Wyncoll at the MTA WA on 9453 7900 for more information.