

#### THE UNITED KINGDOM VEHICLE APPROVAL AUTHORITY

# COMMUNICATION CONCERNING APPROVAL EXTENDED OF A TYPE OF MECHANICAL COUPLING DEVICE OR COMPONENT, PURSUANT TO REGULATION NO 55.01



Approval No:

E11\*55R01/04\*05987\*03

- 1. Trade name or mark of the device or component: VBG or RINGFEDER
- 2. Type of device or component: RU K5DV
- 3. Manufacturer's name and address:

VBG Group AB Herman Kreftings gata 4 S-46228 Vänersborg Sweden

4. If applicable, name and address of the manufacturer's representative:

Not applicable

- 5. Alternative supplier's names or trademarks applied to the device or component: Not applicable
- 6. Name and address of company or body taking responsibility for the conformity of production:

  See item 3
- 7. Submitted for approval on: As before and 01 June 2022
- 8. Technical service responsible for conducting approval tests: TÜV SÜD Auto Service GmbH

UK Approval Authority Agency

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- 9. Brief description: Non standard hook coupling
- 9.1. Type and class of device or component: RU K5DV, S
- 9.2. Characteristic values:



### 9.2.1. Primary values:

- D 250 kN
- D<sub>c</sub> 150 kN
- S 1000 kg
- U tonnes
- V 75 kN

#### Alternative values:

- D kN
- $D_c kN$
- S 1500 kg
- U tonnes
- V 69 kN

#### Alternative values:

- D kN
- $D_c kN$
- S 2000 kg
- U tonnes
- V 63 kN

#### Alternative values:

- D kN
- D<sub>c</sub> kN
- S 4000 kg
- U tonnes
- V 39 kN



9.3. For Class A mechanical coupling devices or components, including towing brackets: Not applicable

Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible vehicle mass: kg

Distribution of maximum permissible vehicle mass between the axles:

Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible towable trailer mass: kg

Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible static mass on coupling ball: kg

Maximum mass of the vehicle, with bodywork, in running order, including coolant, oils, fuel, tools and spare wheel (if supplied) but not including driver: kg

Loading condition under which the tow ball height of a mechanical coupling device fitted to category M1 <sup>(1)</sup> vehicles is to be measured -see paragraph 2 of Annex 7, Appendix 1:

- 9.4. For class B coupling heads, is the coupling head intended to be fitted to an unbraked O<sub>1</sub> trailer: Not applicable
- 10. Instructions for the attachment of the coupling device or component type to the vehicle and photographs or drawings of the mounting points (see Annex 2, Appendix 1) given by the vehicle manufacturer: See manufacturer's documentation, mounting instruction.
- 11. Information on the fitting of any special reinforcing brackets or plates or spacing components necessary for the attachment of the coupling device or component (see Annex 2, Appendix 1):

  Not applicable
- 12. Additional information where the use of the coupling device or component is restricted to special types of vehicles see Annex 5, paragraph 3.4.: Not applicable
- 13. For Class K hook type couplings, details of the drawbar eyes suitable for use with the particular hook type: L5 ("NATO"-drawbar eye)
- 14. Date of test report: As before and 14 July 2022
- 15. Number of test report: 06-00120-CX-GBM Including Extension 03
- 16. Approval mark position: On type plate mounted on the right side of the coupling mechanism

Vehicle Certification Agency

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- 17. Reason(s) for extension of approval:
  - 1) Update to structure of approval number
  - 2) Adaptions on drawings
  - 3) New alternative material for the drawbeam
- 18. Approval EXTENDED
- 19. Place: BRISTOL
- 20. Date: 16 JANUARY 2023
- 21. Signature:

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Chief Technical and Statutory Operations Officer

22. The list of documents deposited with the Type Approval Authority which has granted approval is annexed to this communication and may be obtained on request.

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Any remarks: None

(1) As defined in the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3.), document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/78/Rev.3, para. 2 - www.unece.org/trans/main/wp29/wp29wgs/wp29gen/wp29resolutions.html.



## Information Document No RUK5DV

relating to the ECE Type Approval as a component of Mechanical Coupling Devices for Vehicles and their Trailers (ECE 55.01/04).

- 0. GENERAL
- 0.1. Make (trade name of manufacturer): RINGFEDER or VBG
- 0.2. Type and commercial description(s): **RU K5DV**

automatic hook type coupling

- 0.5. Name and address of manufacturer: VBG GROUP AB , 46200 Vänersborg, S
- 0.7. In the case of components and separate technical units, location and method of affixing of the ECE approval mark: **On type plate mounted on the side of the jaw**
- 0.8. Address(es) of assembly plant(s):

VBG GROUP TRUCK EQUIPMENT AB S- 46228 Vänersborg Sweden

- 1. CONNECTIONS BETWEEN DRAWING AND TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS
- 1.1. Detailed technical description (including drawings and material specifications) of the type of the mechanical coupling device: **see enclosures**
- 1.2. Class and type of the coupling device(s): S, RU K5DV
- 1.3. Maximum D-value (1): 250 kN

Maximum Dc-value 150 kN

- 1.4. Maximum vertical load S at the coupling (1):1000kg or 1500kg or 2000kg or 4000kg and and and
- 1.6. Maximum V-value (1):

75 kN 69 kN

63 kN

39 kN

- 1.7. Instructions of attachment of the coupling type to the vehicle and photographs or drawing of the fixing points at the vehicle given by the manufacturer; additional information if use of the coupling type is restricted to special types vehicles:
  - See Installation- and Operation Instructions
- 1.8. Information of the fitting of special towing brackets or mounting plates (1):

See Installation- and Operation Instructions

Date, Name

01.06.2022 / M. Huckenbeck

