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### THE UNITED KINGDOM VEHICLE APPROVAL AUTHORITY

COMMUNICATION CONCERNING THE GRANTING OF EEC TYPE APPROVAL AS A COMPONENT OF MECHANICAL COUPLING DEVICES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES AND THEIR TRAILERS PURSUANT TO DIRECTIVE 94/20/EC OF 30 MAY 1994 (STU)

Type Approval No(1): e11\*94/20\*7783\*00

Reason(s) for Extension: Not Applicable

Section I 0.1 Make(trade name of manufacturer): Witter Tow Bars Ltd 0.2 Type and general commercial description(s): **Z52B** 0.3 Means of identification of type if marked on the Adhesive label component(2): See manufacturer's documentation 0.3.1 Location of that marking: 0.5 Witter Tow Bars Ltd Name and address of manufacturer: Drome Road Deeside Industrial Park Deeside Flintshire CH5 2NY United Kingdom 0.7 See manufacturer's documentation In the case of components and separate technical units, location and method of affixing of the EEC approval mark:

0.8 Name(s) and address(es) of assembly plants: See section 0.5



Head of Technical and Quality Group

# Section II

1 Additional information (where applicable): See Appendix I 2 Technical service responsible for carrying out Vehicle Certification Agency the tests: 3 Date of test report: 11 November 2009 4 Number of test report: VSK206145 5 Remarks (if any): See Appendix I None 6 Place: **BRISTOL** 7 Date: **12 NOVEMBER 2009** 8 Signature: A. W. STENNING

- The index to the information package lodged with the competent authority that has granted type approval, which may be obtained on request, is attached.
- (1) The EEC type approval number appearing on this document shall consist of all sections outlined in Annex VII to Directive 70/156/EEC as last amended by Directive 92/53/EEC.
- The component itself shall be marked as prescribed in the relevant separate Directive.
- (2) If the means of identification of type contains characters not relevant to describe the component types covered by this type approval certificate such characters shall be represented in the documentation by the symbol `?' (e.g. ABC??123??).



APPENDIX I 94/20/EC

to EEC Type Approval Certificate No: e11\*94/20\*7783\*00 concerning the component type-approval of mechanical coupling devices with regard to Directive 94/20/EC

1	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1.1 Class of type of coupling: A50-X (Towing bracket and ball on integral

support)

1.2 Categories or types of vehicles for which the

device is designed or restricted:

M1,M2, N1,N2 (upto a maximum mass of

7500kgs)

1.3 Maximum D-value\*: 23.41 kN

1.4 Maximum vertical load S at the coupling point\*: 286 kg

1.5 Maximum load U at the fifth wheel coupling Not Applicable tonnes

point\*:

1.6 Maximum V-value\*: Not Applicable kN

1.7 Instructions for attachment of the coupling type to the vehicle and photographs or drawings of the fixing points at the vehicle given by the manufacturer; additional information if the use of the coupling type is restricted to special types of vehicles:

See Mandocs

1.8 Information on the fitting of special towing

brackets or mounting plates\*:

Not Applicable

5 Remarks(1): None

- \* Delete where inapplicable
- (1) Including information as to whether fifth wheel couplings are unsuitable for positive steering.





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# **INFORMATION PACKAGE CONTENTS**

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Reasons for Extension/Revision: Not Applicable



# SUBMISSION FOR APPROVAL OF MECHANICAL COUPLING TO 94/20/EC

Ref/Job No: VSK206145

**Coupling Classification: A-50X** 

Type/Part No: Z52B

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DOCUMENT No: VSK206145 DATE SUBMITTED: 15/10/09

Information relating to the EEC type approval as a component of mechanical coupling devices for motor vehicles and their trailers (94/20/EC)

0. **GENERAL** 

0.1 Make (trade name of manufacturer): Witter Towbars

0.2 Type and commercial description(s): Towbar for ADJUSTABLE COUPLING

0.5 Name and address of manufacturer: Witter Towbars, Drome Road, Deeside Industrial Park,

Deeside, Flintshire, CH5 2NY.

0.7 Location and method of affixing of the

EEC approval mark: Polyester coated aluminium permanent adhesive label

fixed to towbar Part A.

0.8 Address of assembly plant: Witter Towbars, Drome Road, Deeside Industrial Park,

Deeside, Flintshire, CH5 2NY.

# 1. CONNECTIONS BETWEEN DRAWING VEHICLES AND TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS

1.1 A detailed technical description of the mechanical coupling device is provided in the form of drawing numbers:

**General Assembly Drawing** 

1.2 Class and type of the coupling

device(s): A-50X (Towing bracket and ball on integral support)

1.3 Maximum D-value: 23.41 kN

1.4 Maximum vertical load S at the

coupling point: 286 kg

1.5 Maximum U load at the fifth wheel

coupling: Not applicable

1.6 Maximum V-value: Not applicable

1.7 Instructions for attachment of the coupling type to the vehicle is provided in the form of a drawing of the fixing points at the vehicle given by the manufacturer, together with the manufacturer's fitting instructions:

Witter Towbars fitting instruction No. Z52B

1.8 Information on the fitting of special

towing brackets or mounting plates: Not applicable

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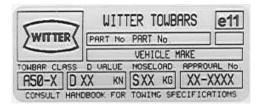


# SUBMISSION FOR APPROVAL OF MECHANICAL COUPLING TO 94/20/EC

Ref/Job No: VSK206145 Coupling Classification: A-50X

Type/Part No: Z52B

# Sample of identification label.



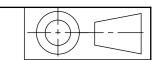


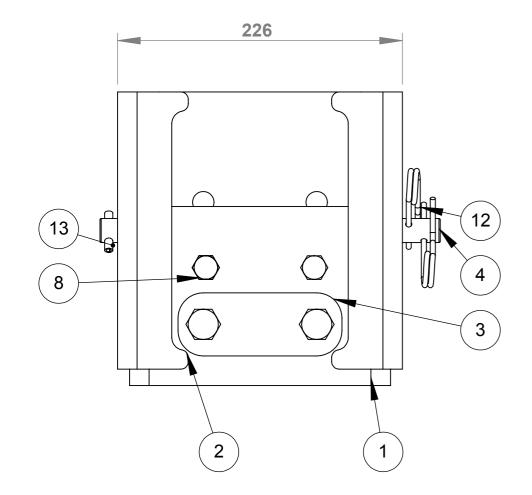
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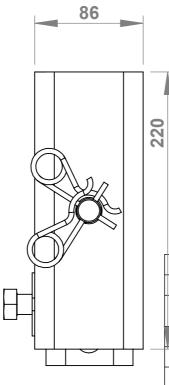
Witter part No: Z52B



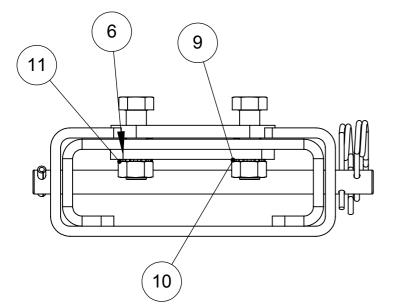
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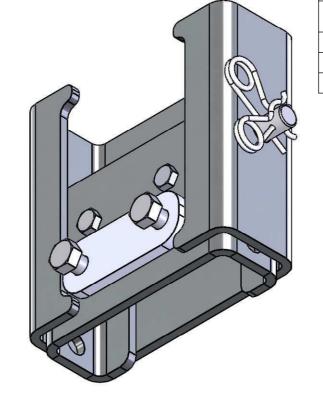






I	ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
I	1	Z52A-C-1	8mm SLIDER PLATE	1
	2	Z52A-A	8mm SLIDER PLATE	1
1	3	2FP50-10	FACE PLATE	1
ĺ	4	Z52B-P-1	19MM O.D. ROUND BD BAR	1
I	5	BOLT	M16x55x2.0 HT BOLTS	2
I	6	Z52B-C		1
I	7	BOLT	M12x30x1.75 HT SETS	2
I	8	BOLT	M12x25x1.75 HT SETS	1
I	9	FST-00115	M12x1.75 'T' TYPE NYLOC	2
	10	M16 EXT SHAKEPROOF	M16 EXT SHAKEPROOF WASHER	2
I	11	FST-00119	M16x2.00 FULL NUT	2
I	12	Special R-Clip		2
I	13	split pin		1





CONTROL	LED DRA	WING		
DATE OF ISSUE:				
ACCEPTED ON BEHALF O	F PRODUCTI	ON:		
NAME:	SIGNED:			
RELEASED FOR PRODUC	TION USE:			
NAME:	SIGNED:			
PART No:	•		Iss.	Rel.

WITTER OWBARS	Z52B-GA			1	(
DRAWN:		DATE:	15/10/	2009	
FINISH:			SCALE	: 1:1	
WEIGHT: 1	0.80 kg		1 DIM:\(	ŋm-()	9



# ADJUSTABLE COUPLING Z52B

Note: Towbar must also carry Type Approval for use with this coupling – please contact Witter Towbars for vehicle /towbar list.

#### **MATERIALS**

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B 1 10mm Coupling Packer

C 1 Adjustable Slider

D 1 Spreader plate

E 4 M16 x 50 x 2.0 Bolts, Nuts and Lock Washers

F 2 M12 x 50 x 1.75 Bolts and Nyloc Nuts

CL 2 'R' clips

P 1 Pin

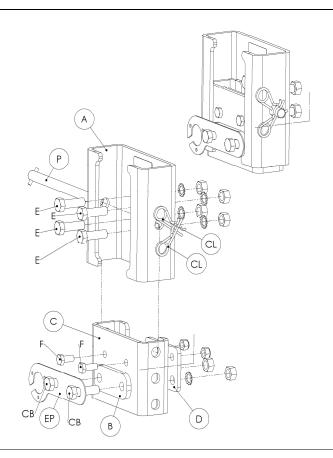
EP 1 Electrical Plate

CB 2 M16 x 65 x 2.0 Bolts, Nuts and Lock Washers

## **FITTING**

- 1. Attach Fixed Slider (A) to Towbar face plate using bolts (E) and fully tighten Bolts.
- 2. Insert Adjustable Slider (C) inside Fixed Slider (A) and temporally fix using Pin (P).
- **3.** Attach Towball/Coupling (not supplied) using fixings (CB) and (F) with Spreader Plate (D) on forward face. and Electrical Plate (EP) and Packer fitted as shown.
- 4. Fully Tighten all bolts.
- 5. Adjust Slider to desired height and secure with Pin (P) and 'R' clips (CL).

**Recommended torque settings:** Grade 8.8 bolts: M8 - 24Nm, M10 - 52 Nm, M12 - 80 Nm, M14 - 130 Nm, M16 - 200 Nm **Grade 10.9:** M12 - 120Nm, M10 - 70Nm M8- 35Nm





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TEST REPORT &

WORST CASE DATA

EC 94-20

NO./SOURCE VCA JOB NUMBER

VSK206145

TEST NO.

TOWBAR PART NO. / SOURCE **Z52B** VEHICLE MANUFACTURER MODEL TYPE NO. ADJUSTABLE COUPLING EC94-20 WITTER 7500 kg 3500 kg MAX GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT (T) MAX. TRAILER WEIGHT (C) 'Dc' VALUE 23.41 kN kg 286 MAX. VERT LOAD (S) BATCH CODE 14.05 KN **ACTUAL TEST LOAD** 55+25 mm SEE WONE CAS + 15 DEGREES TEST ANGLE (±) 120xD° = 286.36 **FREQUENCY** 9.81

COMPLETED		DISPLACEMEN			OBSER	RVATIONS
START (o)	TOTAL	+ PULL	- PUSH	+ LOAD (kN)	- LOAD (kN)	Initials
0	2.888	1-514	1-375	14.05	14.176	TO KA
798750	+3.058	+1-703	-1.352	14.091	-14.097	The * Coupling Bout the Changed *
2050000	+3.422	+1.701	-1.730	14.091	-14.103	t i
1,00,000	+3-69	+1701	17789	14.00	- 14-con	10
1,400,000	+3-619	+1.714	1376	1400	~11.01	
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Is Number Plate Obscured by Towball? NO Is Demountable Towball Required? NO

INSPECTION OF TOWBAR AT END OF TEST

Do compress

TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EC-94/20

TEST ENGINEERS

DATE:- 1

PASSED

(1)  $D_c = \frac{T \times C}{1000 (T + C)} \times g \text{ (where } g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}\text{)}$  (2)

(2) Test Load = 0.6 Dc

(3) If towball centre line is above rearmost towbar mounting point (with the vehicle in the laden condition) the test angle is negative, otherwise it is positive.

(4) If  $\underline{120 \times D_c}$  > S Test angle is  $15^{0}$ . If < S Test angle is  $20^{0}$ .

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Q.A.D. 7/9

+ POSITIVE

- NEGATIVE

Proval AV

