

Media statement

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MotoCAP receives international road safety award

MotoCAP, a world-first safety rating for motorcycle clothing, developed in Australia, has received the Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM) award for Road Safety at the event in Monaco Sunday evening (AEDT).

Road Safety Advisory Council (RSAC) Chair Garry Bailey said – MotoCAP – was developed by a team of road safety partners in Australia, including Tasmania.

The Tasmanian Government provides funding to MotoCAP and is an active member of the Focus Group, Chaired by Transport for NSW.

Mr Bailey congratulated MotoCAP, saying the award was well deserved and showed Australia was leading the way in road safety here and overseas.

“RSAC and the Tasmanian Government are committed to addressing road safety issues in innovative ways. The development of MotoCAP, a pioneering program, demonstrates Australia is looking to the future of road safety and leading the way.”

In Tasmania motorcyclists make up 25 per cent of serious casualties, but represent only 4 per cent of registered vehicles.

“This is why the Road Safety Advisory Council joined Transport for NSW’s Centre for Road Safety, State Insurance Regulatory Authority, Insurance Australia Group and the Australian Motorcycle Council as well as other stakeholders throughout Australia and New Zealand, to develop MotoCAP.”

“MotoCAP provides the motorcycle community with more information when making choices on clothing by providing two separate star ratings – one for protection and one for thermal comfort.”

Motorcycle safety is particularly challenging from a road safety point of view, with riders having little protection other than their helmet and clothing when involved in a crash.

“I congratulate all of the people who worked together to develop this ground breaking system. The rest of the world are taking notice.”

Transport for NSW will provide guidance to organisations around the world interested in the program.

MotoCAP has rated 43 pairs of pants, 82 jackets and 46 pairs of gloves, providing riders with information about their choice of protective gear.

For more information on MotoCAP ratings and the scheme visit www.motocap.com.au