



**AMERICAN SUZUKI MOTOR CORPORATION**  
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

August 23, 2012

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave, S.E., West Building  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear VIN Coordinator,

In accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR 565.16 (c) & (d), enclosed is an updated VIN encoding information for the 2013 model year Suzuki Grand Vitara to clarify the GVWR class of these vehicle models.

Also enclosed are copies of the VIN encoding files submitted on April 27<sup>th</sup> and August 9<sup>th</sup> for the SX4, Equator, and Kizashi models which did not have any additional changes to their VIN encoding information.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this information at (714) 996-7040 ext. 2203 or by email at [luiz.hernandez@suz.com](mailto:luiz.hernandez@suz.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luis Hernandez', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

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# Vehicle Identification Number Coding System for 2013 Model Year SUZUKI GRAND VITARA

SUZUKI VIN system is constructed in accordance with Part 565 - Vehicle Identification Number Requirements, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, and which consists of 17 characters of Arabic numbers and roman letters.

The decipherable content of characters and SUZUKI's encoding information are described as follows.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
J	S	3	T	D	0	D	2	?	D	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	
											Serial Number						
											100001~						
											Manufacturing Plant						
											4: Iwata						
											Model Year						
											D: 2013						
											Check Digit						
											Calculated per 49CFR Part565						
											Grade or Body Type Extension						
											V: (See Note 2)						
											2: Grand Vitara Premium(US)						
											JX(Canada)						
											4: Grand Vitara X Sport(US)						
											JLX(Canada)						
											5: Grand Vitara [W/O Spare Tire](US)						
											6: Grand Vitara Premium [W/O Spare Tire](US)						
											URBAN(Canada)						
											7: Grand Vitara Limited(US)						
											JLX-L(Canada)						
											Design Code						
											D: Design Code (US, Canada)						
											4: Design Code (Mexico)						
											Engine						
											0: 2.4L, 4cyl, 4valve						
											Series/GVWR						
											D: AWD GVWR:class C Hard Top						
											Driver and Passenger Frontal						
											Air Bags,3-Point Manual						
											Belts, Side Air Bags, and						
											Curtain Side Air Bags. 2nd						
											row outboard 3-Point Manual						
											Belts and Curtain Side Air						
											Bags. 2nd row center 3-Point						
											Manual Belts.						
											E: RWD GVWR:class C Hard Top						
											Driver and Passenger						
											Frontal Air Bags, 3-Point						
											Manual Belts, Side Air						
											Bags, and Curtain Side Air						
											Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-						
											Point Manual Belts and						
											Curtain Side Air Bags.2nd						
											row center 3-Point Manual						
											Belts.						
											Line						
											T: Grand Vitara						
											WMI (See Note 1)						

Note :1. **JS3**: Make code for SUZUKI (Suzuki Iwata production)  
Vehicle for sale in U.S., Canada and Mexico.

2. **V**: identifies a unique Mexican specification vehicle

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# Vehicle Identification Number Coding System for 2013 Model Year SUZUKI KIZASHI

SUZUKI VIN system is constructed in accordance with Part 565 - Vehicle Identification Number Requirements, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, and which consists of 17 characters of Arabic numbers and roman letters.

The decipherable content of characters and SUZUKI's encoding information are described as follows.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
J	S	2	R	E	9	A	1	?	D	6	1	0	0	0	0	1
											Serial Number 100001~					
											Manufacturing Plant 6: Sagara					
											Model Year D: 2013					
											Check Digit Calculated per 49CFR Part565					
											Grade or Body Type Extension 1: Kizashi S, Kizashi Base(US) 3: Kizashi SE(US) 3: STD,S (Canada) 6: Kizashi Sport GTS(US) 7: SX(Canada) 8: Kizashi Sport SLS(US) 8: Sport (Canada) S: SEDAN(Mexico) (See Note 2)					
											Design Code A:US,Canada 1:Mexico					
											Engine 9: 2.4L, J24B					
											Series E: 4Door FWD Driver and Passenger Frontal Air Bags,3-Point Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-Point Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air Bags.2nd row center 3-Point Manual Belts. F: 4Door AWD Driver and Passenger Frontal Air Bags, 3-Point Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-Point Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air Bags.2nd row center 3-Point Manual Belts.					
											Line R: KIZASHI					
											WMI (See Note 1)					

Note :1.**JS2**: Make code for SUZUKI  
Vehicle for sale in U.S., Canada and Mexico.  
2.**S**: identifies a unique Mexican specification vehicle.

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# Vehicle Identification Number Coding System for 2013 Model Year SUZUKI SX4

SUZUKI VIN system is constructed in accordance with Part 565 - Vehicle Identification Number Requirements, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, and which consists of 17 characters of arabic numbers and roman letters.

The decipherable content of characters and SUZUKI's encoding information are described as follows.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
J	S	2	Y	A	5	A	1	?	D	6	1	0	0	0	0	1
											Serial Number		100001~			
											Manufacturing Plant		6: Sagara			
											Model Year		D: 2013			
											Check Digit		To be calculated in Compliance with 49CFR Part565			
											Grade or Body Type Extension		<Hatchback>			
													1: SX4 JA(Canada)			
													3: SX4 Crossover(US)			
													SX4 Crossover Premium(US)			
													SX4 JX(Canada)			
													SX4 JA/JX(Canada)			
													4: SX4 Crossover Tech(US)			
													5: SX4 Sportback(US)			
													7: SX4 Crossover GTS(US)			
													SX4 JLX(Canada)			
													S: (See Note 2)			
													<Notchback>			
													1: SX4 Standard Sedan(US)			
													SX4 BASE(Canada)			
													3: SX4 Sedan LE(US)			
													SX4 Sedan LE Pop Pkg. (US)			
													SX4 JA(Canada)			
													5: SX4 Sport SE(US)			
													9: SX4 Sport GTS(US)			
													SX4 Sport(Canada)			
													S: (See Note 2)			
											Design Code		A: US, Canada			
													1: Mexico			
											Engine Type		5: 2.0 liter 4cyl.4valve			
											Series, Chassis, Type of Restraint		A: FWD 5 door-Hatchback			
													Driver and Passenger Frontal Air Bags, 3-Point			
													Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side			
													Air Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-Point Manual			
													Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air			
													Bags. 2nd row center 3-Point Manual Belts.			
													B: AWD 5 door-Hatchback			
													Driver and Passenger Frontal Air Bags, 3-Point			
													Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side			
													Air Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-Point Manual			
													Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air			
													Bags. 2nd row center 3-Point Manual Belts.			
													C: FWD 4 door-Notchback			
													Driver and Passenger Frontal Air Bags, 3-Point			
													Manual Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side			
													Air Bags. 2nd row outboard 3-Point Manual			
													Belts, Side Air Bags, and Curtain Side Air			
													Bags. 2nd row center 3-Point Manual Belts.			
											Line		Y: SX4			
											WMI(See Note 1)					

Note :1.**JS2**: Make code for SUZUKI.

Vehicle for sale in U.S., Canada and Mexico.

2.**S**: identifies a unique Mexican specification vehicle.

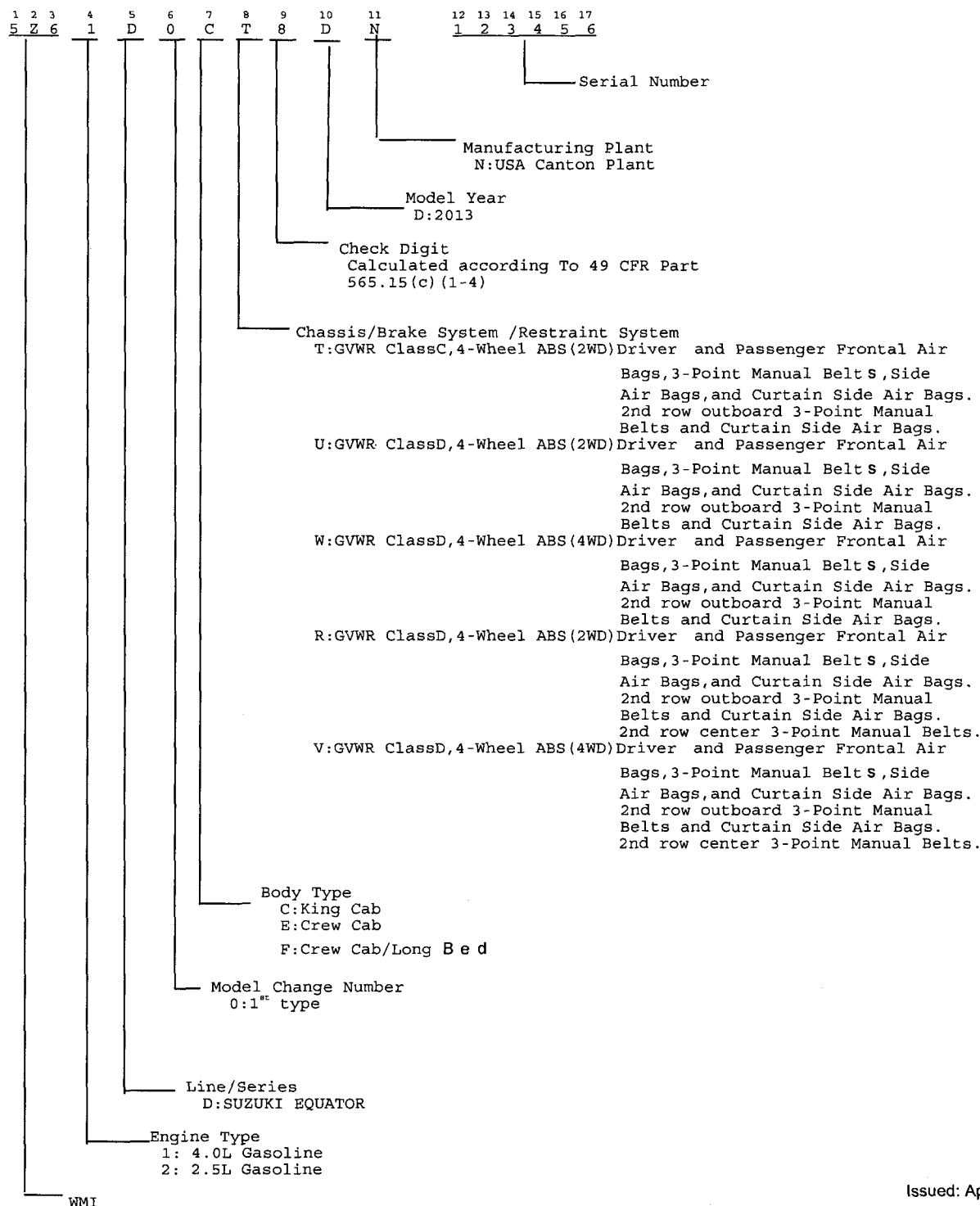
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Vehicle Identification Number Coding System for  
2013 Model Year SUZUKI EQUATOR

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Each decipherable content of characters and SUZUKI's own information are described as follows.

EQUATOR



WMI

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