

# Fire and Rescue NSW Safety Bulletin 2012/05 Asbestos risk – Great Wall and Chery motor vehicles



## Issue

Approximately 23,000 vehicles manufactured by Great Wall Motors and Chery Motors have been identified as having engine and exhaust gaskets potentially containing asbestos.

While the risk to firefighters is extremely low, when firefighters attend an incident involving any Great Wall or Chery vehicles, additional precautions should be taken.

## Background

Great Wall Motors is a China-based manufacturing company specialising in utilities and 4WD vehicles. Chery Motors is a China-based manufacturing company specialising in small passenger and small suburban utility vehicles (SUVs).

The emblem of each company is shown in Figure 1 and 2.



Figure 1: Great Wall Motors emblem



Figure 2: Chery Motors emblem

## Actions

At any incident involving a Great Wall or Chery vehicle, the Incident Controller as part of the size up process should determine the likelihood of engine or exhaust gaskets being disturbed.

If it is determined that there is a likelihood that they have been disturbed, implement [SOG 10.11, Asbestos](#).

At any fire involving a vehicle, follow [SOG 9.1, Use of Respiratory Protective Equipment](#).

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