



December 7, 2006

Ref: VIN1206

**Attention: VIN Coordinator**

U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**Re: Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Decipherments for 2007 Model Year  
MINI Models**

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is in reference to Part 565. Please find enclosed the information necessary to decipher the characters contained in the Vehicle Identification Numbers (VINs) of the following 2007 model year U.S. MINI models:

Cooper  
Cooper Convertible

Cooper S  
Cooper S Convertible

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Baloga".

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Enclosure (1)



# MINI MODEL YEAR 2007 DECIPHERMENT OF VINS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 565

Vehicle	Manufacturer Identifier			Line, Series, Body Type, Engine Type				Restraint System / GVWR (MPV)	Check Digit	Model Year	Plant of M'fature	Sequential Production Number	Explanation of Positions 4, 5, 6, 7		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12 - 17	Line	Series	Body Type
MINI Cooper	W	M	W	M	F	3	3	5	-	7	-	To be assigned by vehicle manufacturer	MINI Passenger Car	Cooper	2-Dr Hatchback
MINI Cooper Convertible	W	M	W	R	F	3	3	5	-	7	-		MINI Passenger Car	Cooper	2-Dr Convertible
	W	M	W	M	F	7	3	5							2-Dr Hatchback
	W	M	W	R	H	3	3	5							2-Dr Convertible
															4-Cyl. Gasoline
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## Explanation of Positions 1-3 (World Manufacturer Identifier)

Manufacturer		Make	Type
WMW	BMW AG, Munich, Germany	MINI	Passenger Car

## Explanation of Position 11 (Plant of Manufacture)

T	Oxford	GREAT BRITAIN

## Explanation of Position 8 (Restraint System / GVWR)

Pass. Car	5 Manual safety belts with driver and passenger dual-stage suppl. restraint system (SRS) certified to the advanced airbag req'ments of FMVSS 208, S14
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## Explanation of Position 9

Check digit assigned by manufacturer
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