

## CAA labels

The CAA has set aside a suite in the Tower of London and booked times in the torture chamber. If you want to avoid such a leisure break (assuming you are not into S&M), you must get your CAA number and stick it in all of your models where it can be accessed without tools. There are so many numerals and letters in the new number that there are 40,150,508,800 permutations or about six for every human on the earth. That is only true if you exclude the initial GBR-OP which are presumably standard, though obviously does not apply in Northern Ireland as it is not UK-OP. If you include those five letters you get  $5 \times 10^{17}$ . That's not quite enough for every atom in the world to have one as there are about  $10^{50}$  of those. Maybe the next change of number will fill that gap. By the way the earlier news that we had to have it and a bar code tattooed on our foreheads has proved to be untrue

One option is to get a sheet of sticky labels printed. You can get them done through eBay, costing about £2 for 65. Try this item <https://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/GOLD-SILVER-WHITE-Printed-Return-Sticky-Address-Label-Stickers-Personalised-99p/362667679191?var=631816733736>

Another idea is to use a strip label printer, for example by Dymo or Brother. You can get 12 and 9 mm wide self-adhesive tapes in differing colours. Aldi often has a Dymo one for sale at £14.99. This might be the better option if eventually we have to register each model individually. Ah, that's why the numbers are so big.