Vehicle licensing & insurance bulletin

Cancelled licence \ foreign credential expiry

New temporary licence and insurance measures are in place for COVID-19 mitigation, in addition to the measures described in bulletin 25, and bulletin 26. Foreign motorists also may be operating under interim measures announced by their own province, territory or state.

Vehicles with a cancelled licence

Vehicle licence and insurance cancellations are increasing as British Columbians adapt to temporary changes to their driving needs and the financial impacts of the pandemic.

Motorists who cancel their vehicle licence or insurance must keep the vehicle off highway and should remove the vehicle number plates to store them safely. A vehicle must have both a valid licence and Basic insurance to be on highway.

As a temporary measure, vehicle number plates may be retained after a cancellation for display with a new licence, new insurance policy and decal that is obtained on May 30, 2020 or later.

This aligns with fee waivers and other temporary measures announced by the Government of B.C. and ICBC in an April 16, 2020 news release.

Foreign credential expiry may be extended

Carriers of goods and passengers operating into B.C. under the International Registration Plan may have their registration (licence) and cab card expiry date extended by their base jurisdiction.

Although their home jurisdiction registration documents will appear to be expired, the credentials still may be valid. For details, refer to the COVID-19 waivers page at www.irponline.org.

The credentials of B.C. based carriers are not being extended beyond their expiry dates. B.C. carriers can continue renewing their BC credentials through the ICBC Interjurisdictional Licensing Program office.

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