

For law enforcement & road safety partners

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Vehicle registration & licensing

Temporary measures for the 2010 Vancouver Winter Games

Please take note of the following three temporary measures now in place to assist visiting motorists and law enforcement with motor vehicle matters relating to the 2010 Winter Games:

- 1. motorists with private passenger vehicles who remain in BC beyond the standard exemption periods can obtain special event permits until March 31, 2010;
- 2. operators of heavy commercial vehicles will have access to non-resident commercial vehicle permits for intra-provincial operations from January 1 to March 31, 2010;
- 3. RCMP vehicles assigned to Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security will display vehicle licence decals with a "February 2011" expiry some three months earlier than usual.

The 2010 Vancouver Winter Games include the Olympics (February 12–28) & Paralympics (March 12–21.) There will be an influx of motorists into BC as athletes and their supporters, media, spectators and others from around the world take part in various events in the Lower Mainland and Whistler area.

Alternative temporary operation permit (special event permit)

As of October 9, 2009, visiting motorists with passenger cars, utility trailers, vans and other non-commercial vehicles can obtain a <u>special event permit</u> from ICBC.

This new special event permit provides a simple and cost effective way for motorists to continue to use their vehicle in BC beyond the regular exemption periods (30-day general exemption or 6 month touring exemption) as set out in Motor Vehicle Act (MVA), s. 21. It is needed because some visitors, especially those coming to BC to work at the Games, are expected to exceed these exemption periods.

The new special event permit is not required for visits that fall within MVA s. 21 exemption periods.

The new special event permits remain valid until March 31, 2010, or until the expiry date of the motorist's out-of-province vehicle licence, whichever comes first. Special event permits are issued on Form MV1804 with a "Special Event" stamp (<u>sample attached</u>.) Application for the permit requires filing proof of insurance coverage, with a \$30 fee.

For further information, or to obtain a special event permit, contact ICBC's Prorate and Financial Responsibility Department at 604-443-4624 or 1-800-665-4336 during regular business hours (8:30 am – 4:30 pm Monday through Friday).

Intra-provincial operation of heavy commercial vehicles

As a temporary measure to support 2010 winter games transportation logistics, any licensed non-resident commercial vehicle is eligible for a Non-Resident Quarterly Permit (NRQP) for intra-provincial operations between January 1 and March 31, 2010.

Normally, NRQP's for intra-provincial operations (i.e., travel within BC including the picking up and delivery of goods or persons) are restricted to vehicles below 11,794 kg GVW. For the first quarter of 2010, the maximum weight limit of the NRQP will be waived thereby allowing intra-provincial travel by charter bus and other commercial vehicles, as per <u>Division 6 of the Commercial Transport Regulations (CTR)</u>. (The upper limit of 63,500 kg for any vehicle or combination of vehicles to operate on BC roads still applies, per CTR, s. 7.13.)



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Owners of commercial vehicles licensed above 11,794 kg have three options for intra-provincial operations: (1) license the vehicle in BC, (2) be registered under the International Registration Plan if licensed in another jurisdiction, or (3) operate with a NRQP (within the first quarter of 2010).

Owners of vehicles involved with Olympic activities, media or other material support functions will be advised of this NRQP change in advance through the Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (VANOC).

NRQP's are available by calling the Provincial Permit Centre's toll-free permit line: 1-800-559-9688.

Early licence plate decal issuance for RCMP vehicles

RCMP vehicles assigned to Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security will have their annual fleet vehicle licences renewed early. For these RCMP security vehicles only, the "February 2011" decal will be displayed some three months early.

Legislation and regulations

Motor Vehicle Act, Section 21 - Registration of foreign motor vehicles and trailers

Motor Vehicle Act Regulations, Division 14 - Temporary Operation Permits

Commercial Transport Regulations, <u>Division 6</u> - Non-resident vehicles (NRQP)

Commercial Transport Regulations, <u>Division 7.13</u> – Licensed GVW (maximum)

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Temporary special event permit

Sample of form MV1804 with "Special Event" stamp (front)

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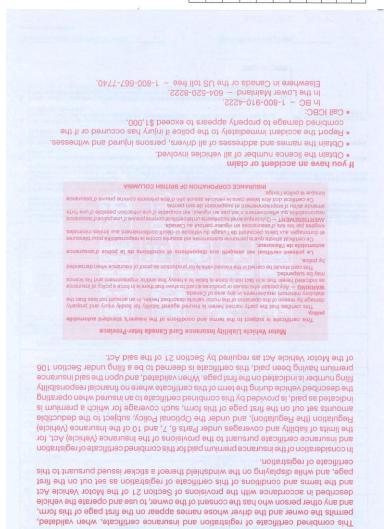


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