

Recent changes to the Club Permit Scheme

October 2020

The Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009 will be replaced by the Road Safety (Vehicles) Interim Regulations 2020, which will take effect from 4 October 2020.

The new Regulations include the following changes that apply to the Club Permit Scheme.

Use of Club Permit vehicles

The vehicle operated under the Club Permit must not be used for hire or reward for the carriage of goods or freight or to provide a commercial passenger vehicle service as defined by the *Commercial Passenger Vehicle Industry Act 2017*.

Club conditions

VicRoads may, from time to time, vary or remove a condition that an approved vehicle club must comply with. Internal review rights apply.

Club Permit number plates

When applying for a Club Permit, the applicant will now be required to pay a fee for the issue of standard Club Permit number plates (\$38 for two number plates, or \$19 for one number plate).

Requirements of club membership

To be eligible for a Club Permit, the club member will no longer need to be a 'financial' member of an approved club; they will simply need to be a 'member' of an approved club.

Obligations of Club Permit holders

A Club Permit holder must notify VicRoads within 14 days after a change in vehicle details or modification of the Club Permit vehicle.

New permanent or temporary operating conditions

VicRoads can now impose, vary or remove permanent or temporary operating conditions on a Club Permit if the vehicle does not meet the standards for registration. Internal review rights apply. For example, a vehicle with non-compliant headlights may have a condition of no driving at night.

The permit holder will be notified and sent a *Certificate of approved operations* if this occurs.

A Club Permit holder must not use a Club Permit vehicle to which a temporary or permanent condition has been applied without carrying the *Certificate of approved operations* in the vehicle.

Reassignment of a Club Permit

A Club Permit can be re-assigned to the surviving spouse/domestic partner when the permit holder is deceased. The surviving spouse/domestic partner of the deceased will also need to be a member of an approved club. An application must be made by the authorised representative within 90 days after becoming the authorised representative.

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