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The information below will be of benefit to some LMCTs and car rental operators. The Victorian Government has agreed, in order to assist businesses with recovery from COVID19, to a simplified re-registration process for business-use vehicles (including vehicles registered to LMCTs).

It has come about after suggestions put forward by VACC members Ray Parsons (Melton Toyota), Sab Beyzade (Sabs Autos) and Con Karendrou (Rent a Bomb Australia). Thank you to those members for the suggestion. Another example of the power of active, engaged membership base.

A big shout out to former Minister for Roads Jaala Pulford MP and her team for listening and following through on this introduction and to new Minister for Roads, Ben Carroll MP and his team for enacting this.

The process

The process will allow vehicles, where the registration was cancelled after 15 March 2020 and before 1 July 2020, to be re-registered through an online process through the vehicle operators myVicRoads account.c When re-registering through this process, VicRoads will waive the need to provide a certificate of roadworthiness, a registration appointment fee and number plate fees.

Eligibility

To be eligible, the vehicle must have been manufactured no more than 5 years before the date on which it is being re-registered, must be re-registered into the same name as the previous registered operator, and must be for business-use (this includes LMCTs who are not incorporated bodies).

Number plates

If the number plates have been retained, the process can be done entirely through myVicRoads account and the only amounts payable are the appropriate registration and TAC fees. Operators can nominate a 3, 6 or 12 month registration period or they can nominate a common expiry date.

If the number plates have been returned to VicRoads, myVicRoads will process the transaction but will direct the customer to a Customer Service Centre to collect number plates and pay the registration and TAC fees.

Thank you to the team at VicRoads for putting this together.

VicRoads advice below:

The process to re-register vehicles that have had their registration cancelled recently has been announced.

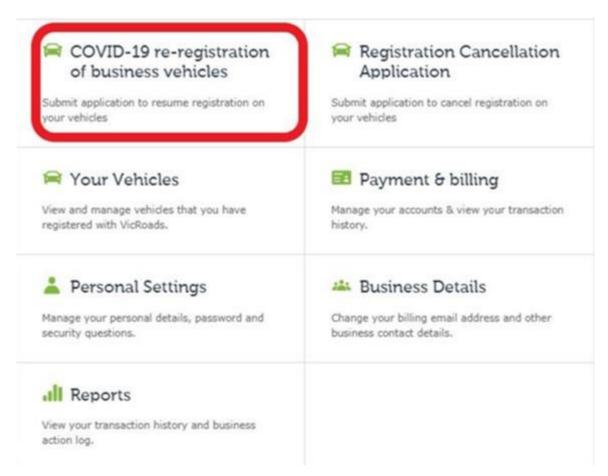
From 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020, a simplified business vehicle re-registration process will be available for eligible dealers (LMCTs) that have been impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Dealers who cancelled, suspended or did not renew their business-use vehicle registration between 16 March 2020 and 30 June 2020 with a vehicle that is less than five years old and was registered in the name of the dealership for at least three months, are eligible for the simplified process.

Owners of these vehicles will not have to undergo a roadworthy, visit a VicRoads customer service centre or pay any appointment fees, number plate issue fees or number plate assignment fees.

The arrangements apply only to dealers who:

- Are re-registering vehicles into the same name (i.e. the dealership's name).
- The vehicle was previously registered in the name of the dealership for at least three months.
- The client has a myVicRoads business account (If you don't have a myVicRoads business account you can apply for one using the VicRoads web site).
- Apply for re-registration online through the myVicRoads business account. If you operate your
 dealership as a sole trader (i.e. not a company) you'll need to attend a VicRoads customer service
 centre to re-register these vehicles.



If you haven't kept the number plates, still answer yes to this question (as shown below) and assign a new set of equivalent plates to the vehicle. Fill out a completed number plate order form (click <u>HERE</u> to dowload) and email it to <u>dealers@roads.vic.gov.au</u> who will record the new number plate details on the registration record. No fee is payable for this type of change of number.

Vehicle details



Eligible light and heavy vehicles must be less than 5 years from the year (not month) of manufacture (eg. All 2015 and onward vehicles are eligible), previously registered in the name of the dealer, and the registration must have been cancelled after 15 March 2020 and before 1 July 2020.

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