

Bulletin

Industry Divisions



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Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) subsidy will close on 30 June 2023

Members are advised that the Victorian State Government has informed VACC today that the Victorian Government's Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) subsidy will close on 30 June 2023.

VACC has been advised that the decision was made by the Victorian Government for budgetary reasons and that the Victorian State Government will now refer to the Federal Government's National Electric Vehicle Strategy and commitment to fuel efficiency standards to help continue to rise on ZEV uptake in Victoria as well as continuing to support sustainable transport through its ZEV Roadmap.

Where does this leave Victoria on ZEV uptake?

Victoria remains the only mainland state to not have a ZEV government subsidy available to consumers. As a comparison, the Queensland State Government offers buyers of new electric vehicles a subsidy of \$6,000.

Drivers of ZEV and PHEV vehicles await the outcome of the High Court of Australia case *Vanderstock & Annor v The State of Victoria* and how that may impact state-based road user charging.

What about deals for ZEVs that are not delivered by 30 June 2023?

Information relating to timelines for subsidies to be paid to consumers post 30 June 2023 will be circulated soon. Initial conversations with the government indicate a 3-6 month period where the subsidy will be available for vehicles contracted before 30 June 2023 (23.59 hrs). VACC awaits written confirmation to this point.

More information

Should you have any further questions about the program closure and what it may mean for the dealership network, please contact Solar Victoria via zevsubsidy@team.solar.vic.gov.au or by calling 1300 376 393.

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