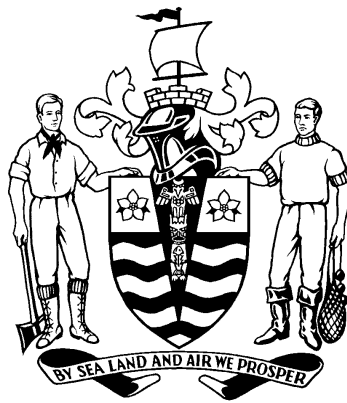


CITY OF VANCOUVER BRITISH COLUMBIA



VEHICLE LICENSING BY-LAW NO. 4021

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(Consolidated for convenience only
to January 29, 2013)

BY-LAW NO. 4021

**A By-law to provide for the licensing of,
or exempting from licensing of, commercial
vehicles, pursuant to the Local Government Act**

**[Consolidated for convenience only,
amended to include By-law No. 10642,
effective January 29, 2013]**

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

SHORT TITLE

1. This By-law may be cited as the "Vehicle Licensing By-law".

DEFINITIONS

2. In the construction and for the purpose of this By-law, the following words and terms shall have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them unless repugnant to the context thereof, that is to say:

"City" means the City of Vancouver.

"gross vehicle weight" means the combined weight of the vehicle and the maximum load which the vehicle is licensed to carry.

"License Inspector" means the License Inspector for the time being of the City of Vancouver.

"license plate" includes a decal.

"license year" means the period beginning on the 1st day of January in any one year, and ending at midnight on the last day of December in the same year.

"motor vehicle" means a vehicle designed to be self-propelled except a vehicle operating wholly on a fixed rail, rails or tracks and except an electric trolley bus.

"municipality" means either any area incorporated as a City, district, township, town or village under any Act, or the corporation into which the residents of the area have been incorporated as a municipality, but does not include an improvement district, a local district, an urban area, or a metropolitan area.

"owner" means, when used in reference to a vehicle, the person or persons duly registered from time to time under the *Motor Vehicle Act* or the *Commercial Transport Act* as the owner or owners of the vehicle.

"participating municipality" means a municipality in which a by-law is in force declaring that Division 2 of Part 11 of the *Municipal Act*, R.S.B.C. 1979, Chapter 290, or Division 2 of Part 20 of the *Municipal Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, or Division 3 of Part 20 of the *Local Government Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, applies in that municipality.

"registration card" means the owner's copy of the certificate of registration issued pursuant to the provisions of the *Motor Vehicle Act*.

"vehicle" means any vehicle used by any person upon any street which is either a commercial vehicle defined as such by and licensed under the *Commercial Transport Act* or a vehicle not so licensed but which is used for the collection or delivery of goods, wares, merchandise or other commodities in the ordinary course of business.

DECLARATION

3. Division 3 of Part 20 of the *Local Government Act* is hereby declared to apply to the City.

LICENSING PROVISIONS

4. Except as otherwise provided in this By-law and in the Act, but subject to the *Passenger Transportation Act*, the owner of every vehicle shall, before it is used or operated on a highway in the City, cause the vehicle to be registered with the License Inspector and a license for its operation to be obtained pursuant to the provisions of this By-law and the Act.
5. The application for such registration and license shall be on the form provided for that purpose and shall be signed by the owner or a duly authorized agent of the owner, provided that in the case of partnerships or multiple owners, any one of such owners may apply, and such owner shall be deemed to be the duly authorized agent of each of the other co-owners.
6. Where an applicant is an agent or co-owner, the owner or other owners, as the case may be, of the vehicle shall be deemed to have authorized all statements set forth in the application and shall be deemed to have made such statements on their own behalf and as their own statements.
7. (1) The application form, together with the registration card for the vehicle, shall be delivered to the License Inspector and, shall be accompanied by the fee prescribed in Schedule 'A' hereof.

(2) Where the applicant for licenses is one and the same person, as many applications of the same kind as may conveniently be made on any one of the forms prescribed may be

combined in one such form without the necessity for the completion of separate application forms for each vehicle for which a license is sought.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), but not inconsistent with the Act or this By-law, the License Inspector is hereby authorized to modify any of the forms prescribed, or any of the administrative procedures prescribed, when dealing with an owner applying for licenses for more than one vehicle.

8. Upon receipt of the application form, and upon being satisfied of the truth of the statements contained therein and, in the case of a prescribed fee that the same has been paid, the License Inspector shall cause to be issued and delivered a numbered license plate.

9. The license plate shall be firmly affixed and conspicuously displayed on or near the front windshield of the vehicle in such a manner that it can be readily seen from a position outside and in front of the vehicle.

SALES, PURCHASES AND TRANSFERS

10. Where a person ceases to be the owner of a vehicle licensed under the provisions of this By-law and authorized to carry a license plate, the new owner may make application to the License Inspector for the transfer of the license plate accompanied by the transfer fee prescribed in Schedule 'A' and in accordance with the provisions of this By-law.

11. A license plate may be transferred from person to person in respect of the same vehicle, or from vehicle to vehicle in respect of the same person upon payment of a transfer fee, together with any sum representing the difference in license fee required for a license plate for a vehicle of a greater gross vehicle weight.

12. Repealed

13. Repealed

14. Repealed

REPLACEMENT PLATES

15. Where a license plate is lost, stolen, destroyed or otherwise defaced beyond the legibility requirement set forth herein, the applicant therefor or the owner of the vehicle in respect of which the license was issued, may apply to the License Inspector for a replacement thereof for a fee as prescribed in Schedule 'A'; and the License Inspector, if satisfied of the truth of the facts in support of such application, may cause a new license plate to be issued in replacement thereof and shall endorse the record of such issuance on the registration card.

RECIPROCITY PROVISIONS

16. Notwithstanding any of the provisions herein contained, where the vehicle in respect of which an application for a license plate is made is a vehicle operated under an agreement under Section 13 of the *Commercial Transport Act*, R.S.B.C. 1979 or Section 10 of the *Commercial Transport Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, such license plate shall be valid for display on any of the vehicles operated under such an agreement.

17. Where any owner of a vehicle has made application to any License Inspector of a participating municipality and has been issued a license plate by the participating municipality, such license shall be deemed to be a license issued under the provisions of Section 4 hereof when the vehicle is operated on a highway in the City, and the provisions of this By-law shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the owner of such vehicle and to the vehicle.

OFFENCES

18. It shall be unlawful to operate or suffer or permit to be operated on the highway in the City, any vehicle unless there is displayed on the vehicle a valid and subsisting license plate issued in accordance herewith.

19. Except as provided in Section 16 hereof, it shall be unlawful to operate a vehicle having affixed to it a license plate not authorized or issued for that vehicle.

20. Every person who offends against any of the provisions of this By-law or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or violation of any of the provisions of this By-law, or neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done by any of the provisions of this By-law, or who does any act or thing which violates any of the provisions of this By-law, shall be deemed to be guilty of an infraction of this By-law, and shall be liable to the penalties hereby imposed.

21. (1) Every person who commits an offence against this By-law is liable to a fine and penalty of not more than \$10,000.00 and not less than \$250.00 for each offence.

(2) Every person who commits an offence of a continuing nature against this By-law is liable to a fine not less than \$250.00 and not more than \$10,000.00 for each day such offence continues.

This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1963.

DONE AND PASSED in open Council this 6th day of November, A.D. 1962.

(Sgd) "H. D. Wilson"
 ACTING MAYOR

(Sgd) "R. Thompson"
 CITY CLERK

SCHEDULE A

FEEES

The fees for licenses applied for under the provisions of this By-law for each license year shall be as follows:

(1) Gross Vehicle Weight	Fee
Up to 2,800 kilograms	\$25.00
2,801 to 11,800 kilograms	30.00
11,801 to 20,000 kilograms	35.00
20,001 kilograms and over	40.00

except that the reduced transition fees for 2006 license holders for the 2007 license year shall be as follows:

Up to 2,800 kilograms	\$21.00
2,801 to 11,800 kilograms	25.00
11,801 to 20,000 kilograms	29.50
20,001 kilograms and over	33.50

(2) Notwithstanding (1), where the vehicle is referred to in Section 16	\$30.00
(3) Transfers and Replacements	\$6.25