

In Newfoundland, one year's experience as a licensed driver is required to drive commercial classes other than cars or light trucks. Accidents resulting in personal injury or death, or property damage in excess of \$200 must be reported to a police officer. All motor vehicles except motorcycles and trailers must display two licence plates, with the registration year ending March 31 of any year. In Prince Edward Island the legislation in effect comes under the Highway Traffic Act and regulations and Off-highway Vehicle Act and regulations.

In Nova Scotia all vehicle registrations expire December 31 of each year; a three-month extension is granted for passenger vehicles and one month for commercial vehicles. All vehicles are required to be inspected annually. It is an offence to operate a motor vehicle without financial responsibility insurance. Driver files are continuously reviewed, with a demerit point system and a medical advisory committee on driver licensing used to make drivers improve or to remove the unsafe driver from the highways.

In New Brunswick a person must be age 14 or over to operate a moped, but 16 to operate a motorcycle.

In Quebec, use of seat belts is mandatory for persons occupying the front seat of a pleasure vehicle. The period during which a learner-driver's permit is valid is five months. The owner of a vehicle makes his contribution to the automobile insurance plan (coverage against bodily injury provided by the province) when he registers his vehicle. At the same time, the bureau makes certain that the owner is insured against damage to property (this insurance is through private companies).

In Ontario, exemption from registration is granted for six months for non-residents from other provinces and three for residents of another country or state. A certificate of mechanical fitness is required before a vehicle sold second-hand can be issued a permit for operation. Accidents resulting in personal injury or property damage in excess of \$400 must be reported to a police officer.

In Manitoba all motor vehicles, certain campers, and trailers must be registered; semi-trailers must also be registered and display an identification number plate. Multi-year plates are issued and validated annually by stickers. Passenger car registration fees are based on weight. Vehicle inspection is compulsory by random selection and at time of sale of used vehicles. mopeds may be driven with any licence class. The driver's licence is also a certificate of insurance for which an insurance premium is payable. Non-residents or new residents holding a valid licence may drive up to 90 days.

In Saskatchewan all motor vehicles including trailers and semi-trailers must be registered. Registrations may be transferred from one vehicle to another by the owner. Proof of ownership must be provided on application. Except for commercial or farm vehicles, out-of-province vehicles may be operated for 90 days without requiring Saskatchewan registration. Students may operate out-of-province vehicles while attending a school in Saskatchewan. Out-of-province drivers involved in an accident in Saskatchewan are required to provide proof of financial responsibility; failure to do so will result in the vehicle being impounded. All accidents resulting in damage over \$200 or in personal injury must be reported to a police officer immediately.

Alberta motor vehicles and trailers are registered annually by paying specified fees and providing proof of vehicle insurance. Passenger car registration plates remain with the owner when the vehicle is sold. Regulations permit non-residents temporarily in Alberta to operate vehicles currently registered in their home province or in the United States for six months; the period is extended to a school year for out-of-province students whose vehicles carry non-resident student stickers.

In British Columbia, seat belts must be used at all times in all passenger vehicles of 1965 or later, and commercial vehicles of 1973 or later. The driver is responsible for ensuring that passengers between ages 6 and 15 are properly buckled up; persons age 16 and older are responsible for themselves. In BC 60-70% of all motor vehicles are required to be mechanically inspected.

In Yukon, registration plates remain with the owner of the vehicle and may be transferred to a vehicle of the same type upon payment of a prescribed fee. All vehicles in Yukon must be registered; an exemption is given to tourists who do not remain more than 90 days. Safety regulations require all vehicles to meet certain standards.