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# Vehicle registration & licensing

# Leap year day decal and documents may display incorrect expiry date

BC vehicle licences and Autoplan insurance policies that expire on the last day of the month will expire on February 29<sup>th</sup> this month, however the number plate day decal and documents may indicate "28".

# **Day decals**

The day decal attached to a licence plate indicates the last valid day for the vehicle licence and insurance. The licence and insurance normally expire at midnight of the day indicated by the decal.

### **Fleet vehicles**

Fleet operators may have decals indicating a February 28, 2012 expiry even though the licence and insurance for fleet vehicles that expire in February remain valid until midnight February 29, 2012.

For fleet vehicles, the licence and insurance expire on the last day of the last month of the licence and policy term. For fleets with a February expiry, the expiry is midnight February 29<sup>th</sup> on leap years and February 28<sup>th</sup> for other years.

Continuing to display the "28" decal even during a leap year avoids the administrative efforts to change the day decal to "29" on hundreds of vehicles for the leap day and then to change the decals back to "28" for the following three years.

# Floater plate documents

For demonstration, repairer, and transporter floater plates only, a "28 Feb 2012" expiry date will appear on the Licence and Certificate of Insurance although the licence and insurance are valid until midnight February 29, 2012.

The erratum appears on the following Licence and Certificate of Insurance documents: APV 50L, APV 53L, APV 32L and MV1914.

# Legislation and regulations

Motor Vehicle Act, Section 12 – Number plates Motor Vehicle Act Regulations, Division 3 – Display and Use of Number Plates

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