17/9/2021 Renewing HVS and CVS during Covid restrictions

CHMC has been assisting its clubs and their members with correct and appropriate information on undertaking HVS and CVS renewals while complying with the NSW Government Health Orders. **TfNSW has approved (17/9/2021) the following for release to our clubs**, which confirms the information CHMC has been providing its clubs to date:

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protect the community and help slow the spread of COVID-19, Transport for NSW in collaboration with Service NSW have implemented a number of temporary measures to assist customers. Service NSW Centres are open to support customers with essential services only. As per the stay-at-home order, if a transaction is not essential, customers are advised that they should delay their visit to a service centre. As historic and classic vehicles are often a recreational or a secondary vehicle that can only be used a specific number of times per year, renewing registration is likely to be classified as a non-essential transaction.

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As historic and classic vehicle registrations are unable to be renewed online, Transport for NSW has made the following temporary changes to assist customers with registration renewal of their historic and classic vehicles:

• Registration establishment or renewal **for historic vehicles is the same as the current process**. Customers can renew their historic vehicle registration and retain their existing plate, at no additional cost for keeping the same plate.

• **Registration can be renewed by post.** Customers can send a cheque or credit card authority, registration renewal notice and relevant declaration to: Service NSW, PO Box 21, Parkes, NSW, 2870.

• If the **registration of a classic vehicle** due between 28 June and 31 October 2021 has expired more than 3 months, customers can get a Safety Check (Pink Slip) rather than the usual Unregistered Vehicle Inspection (blue slip) Report required to re-establish the registration. This is only available to classic cars whose registration expired during that specific time period. Safety Checks will be valid for 6 months.

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• If a classic or historic vehicle is the only vehicle owned, and is a customer's primary mode of transport and the customer has documentation that illustrates this, they can attend a Service NSW Centre to renew their registration.

• For further information go to https://www.nsw.gov.au/topics/vehicle-registration/conditionaland-seasonal/conditional-change Historic and Classic vehicle – conditional registration renewals Due to the current restrictions in NSW, we have had to make some changes to the way you renew your classic and historic registration.

What do I do if my registration has expired? If your registration has expired since 28 June 2021, or is due to expire before 31 October 2021, you do not have to renew your registration. However, once it has expired, your vehicle will have a registration status of "suspended". This means you cannot drive your vehicle and you must adhere to all restrictions placed on an unregistered vehicle. The "suspended" status will last for 3 months. During this time, you can still renew your vehicle's registration. However, after the 3 month suspended period has ended, your registration will be cancelled as per normal process.

What if my vehicle is my only form of transport? If your classic or historic vehicle is the only vehicle you own, and is your primary mode of transport, and you can provide documentation that illustrates this, you can still renew your registration. If you attend a Service NSW centre and notify the customer service representative, your transaction will be processed.

How do I renew my *historic vehicle* registration if it has expired? Registration establishment or renewal for historic vehicles is the same as the current process. You will be able to renew your vehicle registration with the existing plate, at no additional cost for keeping the same plate.

How do I renew my *classic vehicle* registration if it has expired? If your registration expires between 28 June and 31 October 2021, you will be able to obtain a Safety Check (Pink Slip) rather than the usual Unregistered Vehicle Inspection (blue slip) Report. This process is only available to classic cars whose registration expired during that specific time period.

You are only permitted to drive your unregistered vehicle on a public road to obtain the Safety Check or for another purpose directly associated with the registration process. Once you have received the Safety Check, you will be able to renew your vehicle registration with the existing plate, at no additional cost for keeping the same plate.

How can I pay my registration once restrictions have eased? Classic and historical vehicle registration cannot be renewed online. If you attend a Service NSW centre, notify the customer service representative and your transaction will be processed.

You can also renew your registration by post. Send your cheque or credit card authority, registration renewal notice and relevant declaration to: Service NSW, PO Box 21, Parkes, NSW 2870.

Will the registration date change? If you renew your registration **within** 3 months of the expiry date, the registration period will be effective from the original date of expiry. If you renew your registration **after** 3 months from the expiry date, the registration period will commence from the date of the transaction.

Will I be able to keep the same plates? You will be able to use the same plates when renewing the registration of your classic or historic vehicle at no additional cost.

For further information go to <u>https://www.nsw.gov.au/topics/vehicle-registration/conditional-and-seasonal/conditional-change</u>

For queries and comments please email <u>IndustryEngagement@transport.nsw.gov.au</u>

CHMC Affiliated Clubs can also discuss any of the above with CHMC's Registration Officer, RMSliaison@heritagemotoringcouncil.org.au