June 27, 2022

To All Authorized Employers of Peace Officers:

RE: Safety Fitness Certificate (SFC) Expiration Date

Alberta Transportation has requested the following information be shared with all law enforcement agencies.

Commercial carriers that obtained their certificate prior to March 1, 2019 had until June 28, 2022 to renew their SFC or risk losing their ability to operate legally in Alberta. Please note: SFCs issued as “Continuous” will be cancelled on June 29, 2022.

A SFC is a requirement to operate a National Safety Code vehicle in Alberta, which include:
- Vehicles registered for 11,794 kg or more, operating within Alberta;
- Vehicles registered for more than 4,500 kg, traveling outside of Alberta; and
- Vehicles manufactured for 11 persons or more.

More information can be found in the attachment and online at https://www.alberta.ca/safety-fitness-certificate.aspx.

Questions on safety fitness certificates or the renewal process can be directed to the National Safety Code team at nsc@gov.ab.ca or by calling 403-340-5444, toll free within Alberta by first dialing 310-0000. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Director
Law Enforcement Standards and Audits

Attachment
June 28, 2022

To all Alberta Police Services and Alberta Sheriffs:

RE: SAFETY FITNESS CERTIFICATE EXPIRATION DATE

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide updated information on the expiration of Safety Fitness Certificates (SFCs) issued prior to March 1, 2019.

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Alberta Transportation introduced new driver safety initiatives in 2019 and the Commercial Vehicle Certificate and Insurance Regulation was changed so that all SFCs issued prior to March 1, 2019 would expire on February 28, 2022. Earlier this year, the government had decided to extend the renewal deadline to June 28, 2022. No further extensions have been issued. This change ensures regular oversight with commercial carriers to ensure ongoing compliance with safety requirements.

SFCs issued as “Continuous” will be valid until June 28, 2022. Carriers that do not renew their SFC prior to June 28, 2022 will have their certificate cancelled on June 29, 2022 and must submit an application to renew.

Alberta Transportation will process renewal applications as soon as possible for cancelled certificates, carrier delays should be minimal to obtain a new SFC.

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Sincerely,

Wendy Doyle
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