

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REGISTRAR'S EXEMPTION


Effective Date: June 30, 2022

The Registrar of Motor Vehicle Services of Alberta Transportation, pursuant to section 114 of Alberta's Vehicle Equipment Regulation (AR 122/2009) (VER), subject to the conditions and restrictions noted below, hereby exempts tow trucks and support vehicles from section 24(1) of the VER, as it relates to the installation and use of blue flashing lamps.

Conditions:

1. In addition to the allowance in section 31(1) of the VER, a tow truck or support vehicle may be equipped with blue flashing lamps that may be used while the tow truck is stopped on a highway and is being used to help a person repair, start or move another vehicle that is on the highway.
2. This exemption also applies to vehicles referred to in section 31(3) of the VER.
3. Tow trucks must have both blue and amber lamps equipped, and operated in tandem. Blue flashing lamps alone are not authorized for use.
4. The blue flashing lamps must be installed and used in the same manner as the amber flashing lamps as allowed in the VER.
5. Flashing lamps equipped must be blue or amber in color and must be compliant with SAE standards as per section 4 of the VER.
6. Flashing lamps must be mounted on the roof of applicable vehicles and controlled from inside the vehicle cab.
7. Vehicles must be equipped with an indicator inside the vehicle that can be seen by the driver to indicate that the flashing lamps are on.

This exemption expires on July 1, 2023.

Signature: 
Crystal Damer, Registrar of Motor Vehicle Services
Assistant Deputy Minister
Safety and Policy Division
Alberta Transportation

Date: June 17, 2022

