



Frequently Asked Questions

Concessions for Classics (C4C) scheme

When will the scheme be available?

The scheme will be implemented on 16 April 2021.

What are the vehicle ownership requirements under the scheme?

Eligible vehicles must be owned by an individual who is a financial member of a Department of Transport (DoT) approved motoring club.

Vehicles owned by a DoT approved motoring club or association may also be eligible for the concession if the club or association is a corporate body, an incorporated body or an organisation recognised as a legal entity.

Will regional residents be able to join the scheme?

Yes. The scheme will be available to all WA licensed vehicles that meet the eligibility criteria.

Are vehicles manufactured in 1990 eligible for the scheme?

The scheme is only available to vehicles manufactured before 1990. Vehicles manufactured in or after 1990, excluding street rods, are not eligible.

If a vehicle model was manufactured and released over a period of years (for example 1987-1993) and a 1991 model is owned will the vehicle be eligible to join the scheme?

No. Only vehicles manufactured prior to 1990 are eligible for the scheme, except for street rods which can be constructed as a replica of an original vehicle modified as a street rod as per the National Guidelines for the Construction and Modification of Street Rods in Australia.

How does a club apply to become a DoT approved motoring club?

Clubs must make a written application to DoT to become an approved motoring club.

Application must include:

- a copy of the 'Incorporated Body Certificate' from the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (therefore issued an ACN); or proof that the club or association is an incorporated body i.e. a certificate of incorporation issued by the Western Australian Department of Commerce;
- a copy of your organisation's constitution; and
- the organisation's current membership list (minimum of 30 financial members).

DoT will assess the application and notify the applicant of the outcome in writing.

How to submit:

Application must be submitted on the organisation's letterhead with supporting documentation via:

- Post: Concessions Section, Department of Transport, GPO Box R1290, Perth WA 6844.
- Email: concessions@transport.wa.gov.au
- In person: at a Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) centre, DoT regional office or agent.

Will the scheme feature a rolling date for vehicle manufacture?

There will not be a rolling date for vehicle manufacture.

If a motoring club is already a DoT approved motoring club for the Vintage/Veteran concessional scheme, will the club need to re-apply to be DoT approved for the C4C scheme?

No. Existing DoT approved motoring clubs will not need to re-apply for the purpose of the scheme.

When does the 90 days of vehicle use per annum commence each year?

Participants are allowed 90 days of vehicle use per calendar year commencing 1 January and expiring 31 December. If you do not use all your allocated days, they will not carry over to the following year.

Will vehicle owners receiving the concession need to use a log book?

Yes. Logging vehicle use prior to undertaking any journey is required. The method of recording vehicle use can be via:

- a log book (i.e. paper based); or
- another method adopted by a DoT approved motoring club (i.e. webform, email, smartphone application).

Any method produced by a club must contain the minimum data set for recording individual vehicle use:

- Vehicle owners name, address and contact number.
- Vehicle plate number.
- DoT approved car club name and membership number.
- Calendar year of log book.
- Name of driver and signature.
- Start and end time of journey.
- Vehicle use type (Personal or Club use).
- Journey details including number of days and event description.

Will vehicle owners' log books be audited

DoT may conduct audits of vehicle use records to ensure compliance with the scheme.

What is a club event day?

A 'club event day' is a day sanctioned by a DoT approved club and publicly advertised to members in a forum such as their web page, their social media page or club newsletter.

Are there travel restrictions on a club event day?

On a club event day, the vehicle owner may travel to and from the official club sanctioned event. When the event ends the vehicle owner is able to continue using their vehicle for the remainder of the day without having to record a separate entry for personal use.

Will annual inspections be a requirement for vehicles under the scheme?

Annual inspections are not a requirement of the scheme.

If a vehicle is currently required to present for an annual inspection, the vehicle will still be required to undergo an annual inspection.

Any vehicle that is currently unlicensed must pass an inspection to ensure it meets roadworthy standards prior to being licensed. Once an eligible vehicle has passed the inspection and become licensed, the owner can make an application to join the scheme.

If a vehicle requires repairs or maintenance, will a personal use day be required to drive the vehicle to and from the repairer/mechanic?

Yes. Driving to and from a place of repair, such as a mechanic, is a personal use day. The owner may elect to transport their vehicle on a car trailer or flat-bed truck to avoid using a personal use day.

How is the vehicle use recorded if my mechanic needs to test drive the vehicle?

The mechanic appointed to repair the vehicle can drive the vehicle within a 5 km radius of their workshop without the trip being as a personal use day.

Are test drives included in personal use days?

Yes. Test drives (other than by a mechanic appointed to repair the vehicle) are personal use days.

Why is it a requirement of the scheme to be a member of a DoT approved car club to receive the concession?

Financial membership of a DoT approved motoring club is a requirement of all permit and conditional licensing schemes across Australia.

This encourages club members and DoT approved motoring clubs to comply with their obligations under the scheme and promotes community engagement and participation.

How is the vehicle licence discount calculated?

The scheme provides a 75% reduction to the vehicle licence fee component of the vehicle's licence. In addition, the insurance component is reduced.

For example, the insurance premium for a motor vehicle receiving the concession will change from \$444.25 to \$62.70 annually. The current insurance premium schedule can be found on the Insurance Commission of Western Australia (ICWA) website and is subject to change.

What are the estimated annual cost savings for a vehicle under the scheme compared to standard licensing costs?

The reduction in licence fee payable upon grant of the concession will vary depending on the tare weight of the vehicle.

For example:

- A 1956 Holden FJ would drop from \$748.90 to \$167.35 a year.
- A 1970 Ford GT would drop from \$839.40 to \$169.20 a year.
- A 1929 Ford Roadster would drop from \$721.20 to \$139.65 a year.
- A 1974 Holden Torana SLR would drop from \$768.45 to \$151.50 a year.

Does the C4C concession change the vehicle transfer process when selling a vehicle?

If the new owner of a vehicle on the scheme meets the eligibility criteria and wishes to join the C4C scheme, they must make application at time of transfer to be entitled to the reduction in vehicle licence fees and insurance premium.

Can optional number plates be displayed on a C4C licensed vehicle?

Yes - optional plates can be affixed to a vehicle receiving the C4C concession.

Do vehicles under the scheme need to display an identifier label or sticker to identify that it is limited in its use on the road?

Yes. Vehicles must display one identifier label stating 'RESTRICTED USE', either to the front or rear of the vehicle, which is to be affixed above or below the number plate without obscuring it.

Labels on vehicles require lettering to be a minimum 25mm high on a sticker 18cms long and 4cms tall. Labels on motorcycles require lettering a minimum of 15mm high on a sticker 13cms long by 2.75cms high. The label must not interfere with the display of the number plate on the vehicle.

A metal version of the label will not be available through DoT, however a downloadable version to produce as a sticker is available.

Will the Vintage/Veteran concession still be valid when the scheme is introduced?

Yes. The Vintage/Veteran concession scheme will remain unchanged.

Are vehicle modifications allowed for vehicles operating under the scheme?

All vehicle modifications must comply with the National Code of Practice for Light Vehicle Construction and Modification Vehicle Standards Bulletin (VSB 14) and relevant Australian Design Rules (ADRs).

Prior to any modifications being made which alter the vehicle from the manufacturer's specifications, an application must be made and approved by the CEO of DoT.

If I no longer want to be part of the scheme can I leave the scheme and return my vehicle to full registration?

Yes. The vehicle licence holder must notify DoT to have the concession removed from the vehicle. Upon the concession being removed, the vehicle owner must pay the adjustment in fees to restore the vehicle to full licence prior to it being driven.

What happens if a person resigns from one club and joins another, part way through a calendar year?

If a vehicle owner changed clubs, they must notify DoT of the date they ceased being a financial member of the club registered with DoT and provide certification of their financial membership with the new club.

Can I move my vehicle from the Vintage/Veteran concession to the C4C?

Yes. Provided the vehicle meets the eligibility criteria. A new application is required when changing concessions and there may be a difference in fees payable.

Can a person other than the owner drive a vehicle that is on concession or only the licence holder?

Any person can drive the vehicle provided they hold the appropriate class of driver's licence. The vehicle use must still be recorded in accordance with the DoT approved motoring club's guidelines and will count towards the annual vehicle usage.

As part of club responsibilities, is the club required to ensure each member is complying with the annual limits?

Club officials are encouraged to audit their members vehicle use to ensure compliance with the Scheme. The frequency of the activity is to be determined by the Club and may be dependent on the size of the club and the number of volunteers managing club activities.

For club sanctioned events, do clubs need to record the event details as well as which members/vehicles attended?

Prior to a club event, the DoT approved motoring club must advertise details of the event via appropriate avenues (i.e. website, social media, newsletter etc and record each event in the club's event register. Clubs are not required to record which members/vehicles have attended the event.

The vehicle owner is responsible for recording the vehicle use day in the approved format.

If a member is also a member of another DoT approved club can they use their vehicle with each club? If so, how is vehicle use to be monitored across the clubs?

Vehicle owners will need to nominate one DoT approved motoring club associated with their concession. Vehicle owners can attend another DoT approved club's event as a 'club day' provided their own club sanctions the event.

If the event is not sanctioned by the nominated DoT approved motoring club, it can be attended as a 'personal use' day.

A DoT approved motoring club can sanction a club event by approving and advertising the event on their webpage, newsletter or social media. The logging of both club and personal use days must be in accordance with the club's preferred method.

Where a person owns more than one vehicle on concession, are they entitled to 90 days of use per vehicle?

Yes. Each vehicle on concession is permitted 90 days usage per calendar year.

Will club events, such as chapter weekends, fall into the club use days?

Club events such as chapter weekends are considered 'club use' days, provided they are club sanctioned events. If an event commences 8:00am Saturday and finishes at 8:00am Sunday, two days of club use must be recorded, even if it is considered one event.

If a vehicle owner is no longer a financial member of a DoT approved motoring club, is the club required to notify DoT directly?

Yes. When a financial membership expires or is ceased, the DoT approved motoring club must notify DoT.

Is a motorhome eligible for the concession?

Motorhomes are eligible for the scheme provided they are manufactured prior to 1990 and the Gross Vehicle Mass does not exceed 4500kg (i.e. light vehicle).

Is it an offence if I use my vehicle contrary to the conditions of use?

Yes. Driving the vehicle outside the conditions applied to the vehicle licence is an infringeable offence and penalties apply.

What is available for regional car owners?

There are already over 20 DoT approved motoring clubs or branches throughout regional Western Australia.

Regional vehicle owners may choose to join an existing club and enjoy the social benefits of club membership, including motoring shows and club runs. Club members will also be eligible for the reduced rate of vehicle licensing and can use their vehicles for up to 30 days of personal use per calendar year

Regional vehicle enthusiasts are encouraged to approach their club's committee about creating more club sanctioned events in their local area. Club approved events must be organised and/or supported by the clubs' committee prior to the commencement of the event.

Alternatively, regional vehicle owners may choose to establish a DoT approved motoring club of their own focussing on their specific vehicle type, regional location or a love of historic motoring.