

Driver and Vehicle Services Update Bulletin

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Staggered Apportioned Registration Renewals

Act 90 of 2022 was signed into law on July 11, 2022, amending section 1309.1 of Title 75, the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, Apportioned Registration Renewal. The legislation directs the Department to establish a system of staggered apportioned registration renewal in a manner that apportioned registration will expire in no less than four periods throughout the year. To implement and maintain the staggered apportioned registration system, the Department may prorate annual apportioned registration fees. The signing of this bill allows current apportioned registrants with a fleet expiration date in the month of May the option to change their fleet expiration date to a different month of the year.

This option to change your fleet expiration date will become available during the 2024-2025 apportioned registration renewal year. The request to change your fleet expiration month must be indicated on your 2024-2025 apportioned renewal application. Your fleet expiration month will be updated during the processing of your renewal supplement and your new fleet expiration will be indicated on your renewal invoice and your 2024-2025 cab cards.

Please note that this is a one-time option. Once a new expiration month is selected the fleet expiration month cannot be changed thereafter. Also, this option is only available during the 2024-2025 renewal period. Your fleet expiration month cannot be changed after your renewal supplement has been processed.

Please be advised that changing your fleet expiration month will result in a prorated invoice. Depending on the new fleet expiration month selected your renewal invoice will be prorated between six (6) and seventeen (17) months. Based on the new expiry month selected you may be required to renew your fleet twice in the initial year of the change, or your prorated invoice may be greater than twelve (12) months resulting in an increased invoice amount. Subsequent renewal periods after the initial change will resume the standard twelve (12) month billing cycle. The following scenarios will help explain how this optional change of renewal expiration month may impact your renewal process.

Scenario #1

A registrant with May 2024 fleet expiration elects November as their new fleet expiration.

- The registrant shall be billed 6 months registration fees to be paid by May 31, 2024.
- The fleet registration period will be June 1, 2024, to November 30, 2024 (6 months).
- The registrant shall receive a renewal notice in August 2024 for the December 1, 2024, to November 30, 2025, renewal cycle. Payment will be due by December 1, 2024.
- The fleet will continue this December 1st to November 30th 12-month cycle thereafter.

Scenario #2

A registrant with May 2024 fleet expiration elects March as their new fleet expiration.

- The registrant shall be billed 10 months registration fees to be paid by May 31, 2024.
- The fleet registration period will be June 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025 (10 months).
- The registrant shall receive a renewal notice in December 2024, for the April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026, renewal cycle. Payment will be due by March 31, 2025.
- The fleet will continue this April 1st to March 31st 12-month cycle thereafter.

Scenario #3

A registrant with May 2024 fleet expiration elects October as their new fleet expiration.

- The registrant shall be billed 17 months registration fees to be paid by May 31, 2024.
- The fleet registration period will be June 1, 2024, to October 31, 2025 (17 months).
- The registrant shall receive a renewal notice in July 2025 for the November 1, 2025, to October 31, 2026, renewal cycle. Payment will be due by October 31, 2025.
- The fleet will continue this November 1st to October 31st 12-month cycle thereafter.

Additional information may become available in the upcoming months leading up to the February 2024 renewal notice mailing for May fleets. Please check the Apportioned Registration Page on PennDOT's website for updates relating to this staggered registration option at www.dmv.pa.gov, select Vehicle Services at the top right of the page, Title/Registration and then Apportioned.