Enhanced vehicle licence and simplified application documents implemented

The Transport Department (TD) has enhanced the vehicle licence (VL) and simplified the requirement of application documents starting from today (December 30) for the greater convenience of the public.

From today onwards, the TD will issue a notice showing the latest validity period of the VL to vehicle owners who have successfully renewed their VL, followed by a VL without the expiry date printed on it. After obtaining such a VL, if the vehicle particulars such as the registration mark, body colour, etc remain unchanged, the vehicle owner can continue to use the same VL after each subsequent renewal. Vehicle owners may scan the new QR code printed at the top of the VL to access the TD's VL Online Enquiry Platform for checking its expiry date conveniently.

In addition, starting from today, when applying for VL renewal, vehicle owners are no longer required to present the Vehicle Registration Document or the Certificate of Roadworthiness after passing the vehicle examination. When submitting a <u>VL renewal application online</u>, once the third party risks insurance record is verified via the backend support of the Hong Kong Federation of Insurers (HKFI), vehicle owners do not need to upload their policy of insurance (Note).

A spokesman for the TD said, "Upon the enhancement of the VL, vehicle owners do not need to replace the VL displayed on the windscreen of their vehicles. Moreover, the TD will issue renewal reminders to vehicle owners through the electronic contact means they provided before their VLs expire. Furthermore, the measures on simplified application documents enable the vehicle owners to complete the renewal more quickly and conveniently."

Following the passage of the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulation 2024 and the Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) (Amendment) Regulation 2024 by the Legislative Council earlier, they came into effect today. Members of the public may refer to the TD's website for more details of the enhanced VL and simplified application document measures or call the hotline at 2804 2600.

Note: The information of the motor policy provided by the insurer to the designated online platform developed by the HKFI generally takes seven calendar days to be effective for online verification.