

WAC 308-56A-140 Department temporary permit. (1) **What is a department temporary permit?** A department temporary permit consists of a system-generated permit and a cardboard temporary "plate" which may be issued in lieu of a registration certificate and license plates when:

(a) The vehicle is not currently licensed in Washington; and

For the purposes of this section, a vehicle may be considered unlicensed if the current license expires within sixty days of application for the department temporary permit, or the vehicle's license plates are missing or unreadable; and

(b) Appropriate vehicle documentation to title and license the vehicle is not immediately available but is likely to be available within sixty days; and

(c) The vehicle was purchased from someone other than a licensed Washington dealer or is scheduled for inspection by the Washington state patrol.

(2) **How long is a department temporary permit valid?** The department temporary permit is valid for no longer than sixty days from the date of application.

(3) **Where do I apply for and obtain a department temporary permit?** You may apply for a department temporary permit at any Washington vehicle licensing office.

(4) **What fees are due when applying for a department temporary permit?** All applicable taxes, title, license fees and inspection fees are due when the department temporary permit is issued. Any fees for license plates are due when the department temporary permit is cleared.

(5) **How do I display the cardboard temporary plate?** You must display the cardboard temporary plate where it is visible from outside of the vehicle or towed vehicle (such as on the inside left side of the rear window), or you may weatherproof the plate and place it in the license plate holder. Carry the cardboard temporary plate in the vehicle or the towing vehicle.

(6) **If my vehicle is eligible for monthly gross weight, how many months of gross weight must I purchase with a department temporary permit?** If your vehicle is eligible for monthly gross weight, you must purchase a minimum of two months' gross weight license to correspond with the duration of the department temporary permit. You may receive credit as described in WAC 308-96A-220(7) for gross weight license already purchased.

(7) **How do I clear the department temporary permit and obtain a registration certificate and license plates for my vehicle?** You may obtain a registration certificate and license plates for your vehicle at any vehicle licensing office by submitting:

(a) An application for certificate of ownership; and

(b) An odometer disclosure statement, if applicable; and

(c) License plate fees; and

(d) Other applicable documentation, fees, and taxes.

(8) **What fees are due when clearing a department temporary permit?** In addition to other fees as prescribed by law, the title application fee and license plate fees are due when the department temporary permit is cleared.

(9) **How do I obtain a replacement department temporary permit?** You may obtain a photocopy of the department temporary permit by contacting any vehicle licensing office who will acquire the photocopy from the department. You must provide the vehicle identification number or the department temporary permit number. The replacement depart-

ment temporary permit will retain the same expiration date as the original.

(10) **How do I obtain a replacement cardboard temporary "plate"?** You may obtain a replacement cardboard temporary "plate" at any Washington vehicle license office where it was purchased. You must provide the vehicle identification number or the department temporary permit number.

(11) **May a department temporary permit be extended?** Yes, a department temporary permit may be extended on a case-by-case basis upon departmental approval.

An extension of a department temporary permit cannot be granted for vehicles described in subsection (6) of this section when no more than two months' gross weight was purchased. Additional gross weight cannot be issued until the department temporary permit is cleared.

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