

(c) Licence Plates

(i) The Government of Ontario issues, without payment of the usual fee, licence plates for automobiles owned by the diplomatic personnel of diplomatic missions and by career officers of consulates residing in Ontario. Representatives entitled to free licence plates, who are resident in Ottawa, should apply to the Motor Vehicle Bureau, 1570 Walkley Road, Ottawa. Those residing elsewhere in Ontario should apply to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Parliament Buildings, Toronto M2A 2X8, Ontario.

Members of the administrative, technical and domestic staffs of diplomatic missions are not entitled to exemption from payment of the motor vehicle licencing fee. However, they should apply for special plates to the Walkley Road Office.

Plates are issued on production of:

- valid national driver's licence;
- proof of automobile insurance (minimum \$500,000, third party liability is the recommended coverage).
- a purchase contract in respect of vehicles being licenced for the first time; a certificate of mechanical fitness, in the case of used vehicles,
- the identity card issued by the Department of External Affairs; newly arrived persons who have not yet received their card may obtain from Protocol a letter establishing their entitlement.

(ii) Charges, providing for the payment in part of the compulsory automobile insurance existing in Quebec, are levied when consular plates are issued in that province. More information can be obtained from the nearest Motor Vehicle Bureau.

N.B. When a member of a mission sells an automobile bearing licence plates in the diplomatic series, the consular series or the special series, or when he ships it abroad upon his departure from Canada, he is responsible for returning promptly to the Motor Vehicle Bureau the plates and ownership permit issued to him.

Members of missions are specially reminded of the need for meticulous observance of the laws and regulations governing the use of motor cars in Canada. Their cooperation is particularly requested in the avoidance of unauthorized parking of motor vehicles; in ensuring the road-worthiness of