


MEMORANDUM

LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

GREG FISCHER
MAYOR

STEVE CONRAD
CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: All Personnel

FROM: Steve Conrad
Chief of Police 

DATE: March 19, 2020

RE: Operator's License and Registration Expiration Extension
During the COVID-19 Pandemic
Special Order #20-008

On March 6, in response to the current COVID-19 situation, Governor Beshear signed an Executive Order declaring a state of emergency.

As a result of the Governor's order that all government offices offering in-person services to the public are to close indefinitely, which would make it difficult or impossible for citizens to renew their operator's licenses, identification (ID) cards, vehicle registrations, and license plates, the renewal date has been extended 90 days from the date of expiration. These will be considered in full force and effect as if they were timely renewed during this extension period. Any late fees incurred during this extension period will be waived.

This order applies to all driver's licenses, commercial driver's licenses, registration certificates, vehicle license plates, handicapped parking permits, and other deadlines mandated by the Department of Vehicle Registration.

A copy of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's order is attached to this Special Order.

All members having computer access are responsible for reading, understanding, and acknowledging receipt of this Special Order, using the PowerDMS Document Management System. Members without computer access will continue to sign an accountability roster, as they have in the past.

All commanding officers will ensure that their personnel are made aware of this information.

This Special Order will be posted in each division, section, or unit for a period of ten (10) days. Please refer any questions through the appropriate chain of command.

SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY, 90 DAY EXTENSION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSES EXPIRATION DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-215 declaring a state of emergency regarding COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as a mitigation measure, individuals showing symptoms of illness are encouraged to self-isolate and all individuals in the Commonwealth are encouraged to practice social distancing, and this Official Order is in furtherance of these goals; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has directed that all government offices offering in person services close to the public indefinitely, including all driver's license issuance locations; and

WHEREAS, KRS 186.4101 requires that a license to operate a motor vehicle, motorcycle or moped be renewed every eight (8) years prior to its expiration date; and

WHEREAS, KRS 186 and 186A require timely registration of vehicles and vessels; and

WHEREAS, circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak may make it difficult or impossible for a number of Kentucky driver's license holders to timely renew their drivers' licenses or to timely update their vehicle or vessel registration certificates;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Executive Order 2020-215 and KRS Chapter 39A, I hereby declare:

1. That until further notice the renewal date for Kentucky operator's licenses, ID cards, and permits shall be and is hereby extended for a 90 day period, subsequent to its current expiration date;
2. During this 90 day extension period, such drivers licenses shall be considered in full force and effect as if timely renewed;
3. This order shall further apply to all commercial driver's license holders under the provisions of KRS 281A;
4. The expiration date of vehicle or vessel registration certificates, vehicle license plates, vehicle tag certificates and handicapped parking permits and other deadlines mandated by the Department of Vehicle Registration, including lien filings, are hereby extended for a period of 90 days, subsequent to their current expiration dates, and any additional fees for

the late renewal of or application for such licenses, permits, certificates, cards and plates are hereby waived.



Jim Gray, Secretary
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

Done this 18th date of March, 2020 at Frankfort, Kentucky.

Approved as to form and legality:



Will Fogle, Attorney
KYTC, Office of Legal Services