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IMPORTANT NOTICE

RECENT AMENDMENTS TO DIVISION 10 OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE ACT REGULATIONS

With recent amendments to Division 10 of the Motor Vehicle Act Regulations, 15-passenger van models are now in compliance in British Columbia. As long as the vehicle being operated has a seating capacity of more than 12 persons, in particular 15-passenger van models, including all seat belts, then it no longer meets the requirements of a Passenger-Directed Vehicle under the Passenger Transportation Act and, the operator will only require a General Authorization.

However, the operators of passenger vans will require a Special Authorization licence if:

1. the seating capacity is reduced by removing a bench or benches so that the carrying capacity doesn't exceed 12 persons (including driver) and the vehicle is used for passenger directed purposes, or
2. the vehicles are utilized as an Inter-city bus.

Copies of the Division 10 can be obtained at the following website:

http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/cvse/Manual/Compliance/Com_Circulars/index.htm#2005

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Greene".

Tom Greene
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