

**DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC COORDINATOR
TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU**

NOTICE
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August 7, 2023

TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Department Traffic Coordinator, Transit Services Bureau

SUBJECT: EXPIRED REGISTRATION PARKING VIOLATIONS

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Notice is to inform Department personnel of a statutory change regarding the issuance of citations to vehicles not displaying current Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) month and year tabs.

BACKGROUND

The California State Senate passed legislation that revised the enforcement procedures of Section 5204 "Display of Tabs" of the California Vehicle Code (CVC). This section requires a vehicle to display current month and year tabs on the rear license plate and on the front plate of truck tractors and commercial vehicles. Previously, the mere non-display of current tabs could justify a citation for Section 5204 of the CVC.

PROCEDURES

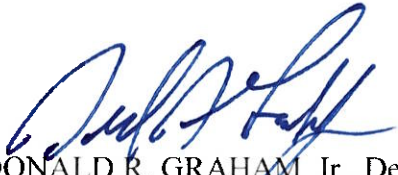
Effective on January 1, 2023, law enforcement officers or personnel authorized to enforce parking laws are required to verify the registration status of a vehicle by using available DMV records prior to issuing a citation. When a DMV query reveals that a vehicle has valid registration, a citation **shall not** be issued for failing to comply with Section 5204 CVC. During instances when the query reveals that the registration is not valid and a citation is issued, a notation shall be made on the Traffic Notice to Appear, Form 04.50.00, or Parking Citations, Form DT 5001/05-12, indicating that a query was conducted prior to the issuance of the citation.

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If you have any questions, please contact Traffic Coordination Section, Traffic Group, at (213) 486-0690.



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