

Your road user charges (RUC) licence has overrun



During your warrant of fitness/certificate of fitness visit, the inspection agent noticed your vehicle's odometer reading is higher than the RUC licence displayed on its windscreen. This means your RUC licence has overrun.

What should I do?

You should buy a new RUC licence as soon as possible. You can buy your licence at one of the NZTA's RUC agents or online at www.nzta.govt.nz/online.

You will need to buy a licence that covers a distance beyond your current odometer reading. For example, if your current licence is to 65,500km and your odometer reading has been taken at 66,800km, then you will need to buy a licence for a distance starting at 65,500 and going beyond 66,800.



What happens if I don't take any action?

You may be liable for an infringement fee, a fine or an automatic, binding assessment invoice sent from the NZ Transport Agency.

Why do I need to buy a RUC licence?

Everyone using New Zealand's roads contributes towards their construction and maintenance and to provide vital safety services for them. Some road users pay those levies as part of the prices of their fuel (for example, petrol). But drivers of diesel-powered vehicles pay their share through a RUC licence. This is because about one-third of the diesel used in New Zealand is used off-road (for example, farm vehicles, boats, generators) so it wouldn't be fair to charge a 'roading levy' at the pump.



For more information, call our RUC contact centre on 0800 655 644 or visit our website - www.nzta.govt.nz

The NZTA is part of, and contributes to, the Safer Journeys programme.

Safer Journeys is the government's strategy to guide improvements in road safety over the period 2010-2020.

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