

Vehicle sales levy and single sales licence fee increases coming April 1, 2024

Changes are coming to AMVIC's vehicle sales levy, single sales business licensing fee, as well as the rules around the Compensation Fund. The vehicle sales levy will increase to \$10 (from \$6.25) and the single sales business licence fee will increase to \$250 (from \$175). This includes the single sales, leasing and consignment licence classes. Other licence class fees are not affected. A number of improvements are coming to AMVIC's Compensation Fund.

The fee increases and changes to the Compensation Fund will take effect on April 1, 2024.

AMVIC's revenue comes from the vehicle sales levy, licence fees, registration fees and course fees. The authority to collect money is through Section 136(8) of the *Consumer Protection Act*. The vehicle sales levy has not increased in 13 years and the single sales business licence fee has not increased in 19 years. The increased funding will help expand AMVIC's capacity in numerous areas, including:

- education and communication initiatives directed at consumers and industry;
- resources to educate and inspect 7,800 automotive businesses; and
- capacity to process and investigate more than 2,700 consumer complaints per year.

The vehicle sales levy increase is a reminder that all-in advertised pricing is the law. The AMVIC vehicle sales levy must be included in the advertised price of a vehicle.

AMVIC maintains and administers a Compensation Fund, which compensates consumers in the event they suffer a financial loss as a result of dealing with an AMVIC-licensed business that is no longer operating. Since 2012, 175 consumers have received more than \$1.6 million in compensation. Compensation Fund improvements include:

- increasing the maximum payout per claim from \$25,000 to \$30,000;
- removing the \$300,000 cap which allows more timely responses to claims;
- creating a dedicated revenue stream; and
- boosting the fund size to \$5 million from \$4 million.

Please ensure any and all templates, your bill of sale, advertisements, online calculators and any other documentation or publications are updated to reflect the AMVIC vehicle sales levy change to \$10 by April 1, 2024.

AMVIC will be reminding industry and consumers of this change via amvic.org, social media and bulletins. If you have any questions regarding these changes, or would like additional information, please [contact AMVIC](mailto:licensing@amvic.org) at licensing@amvic.org.