

# **Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Program**

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## **Implementation Date: January 1, 2020**

### **New Policy**

Effective January 1, 2020, new legislation established an Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal (IB-CAVD) Program. This program will allow an eligible clean air vehicle (CAV) that was issued a CAV decal prior to January 1, 2017, to be issued another decal valid until January 1, 2024, if the new registered owner's gross annual household income meets the specified income threshold.

### **Procedures**

Applicants should verify their vehicle is on the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Eligible Carpool Sticker List at [arb.ca.gov](http://arb.ca.gov) before applying for a CAV decal.

- The current registered owner must **not** be the same owner of the vehicle when the original decals issued **prior** to January 1, 2017, expired.
- The registered owner's gross annual household income is at or below \$65,777 (amount subject to change).

**NOTE:** Some CAVs previously eligible for the program have been removed from the list of eligible vehicles. For example, ultra low-emissions vehicles (ULEVs-white decal) are no longer eligible for the CAVD program and were removed from the list. CARB has also removed some older electric vehicles from the list.

### **IB-CAVD Program Forms**

- Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Program Application (REG 1000 IB, NEW. 1/2020) (see Attachment A) was created:
  - This form requires the disclosure of the annual income of all members of the registered owner's household, age 17 and older, who reside together and share common living expenses, regardless of if they are related. This includes, but is not limited to, a spouse, significant other, family member(s), and/or roommate(s). Examples of income include wages, unemployment, social security, public assistance, pensions, alimony, and/or any other miscellaneous sources of income.
  - All REG 1000 IB forms are subject to review by the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) or another income verification entity.
  - The completed REG 1000 IB must be submitted with a completed Application for Clean Air Vehicle Decal (REG 1000, REV. 1/2020).
- REG 1000 was revised in section 2 as follows (see Attachment B):
  - An "Income-Based CAV Decal Program (REG 1000 IB required)" checkbox was added, under the "Transfer to new owner" checkbox.
  - The exhaust standards section was removed. This item will be automatically filled when the application is keyed into the Clean Air Decal (CAD) database.
  - Under "Vehicle Motive Power," the "Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) (N)" selection was expanded to include "Original Manufacturer Equipment (example: Honda, Ford, etc.)" or "After Market" manufacturer (examples: BAF Technologies, IMPOC, Landi Renzo, etc.)

### IB-CAVD Program Forms, *continued*

- An advisory was added to bring to the vehicle owner's attention that clean vehicles' natural gas tanks do expire and the dangers of an expired fuel tank. Customers can find information on CNG Fuel System and Tank Maintenance on the United States (U.S.) Department of Energy's website at [afdc.energy.gov](http://afdc.energy.gov).

### Additional Important Information

- Dealerships cannot apply for the IB-CAVD Program, as it is based on the new registered owner's total annual household income.
- The IB-CAVD will be valid from January 1, 2020, through January 1, 2024, regardless of when the applicant applies for the decal.
- The vehicle **must** be registered in the applicant's name. For recently acquired vehicles, the transfer of ownership from a dealership or private party must be completed before the required applications can be submitted.
- Applicants must submit the completed REG 1000 **and** REG 1000 IB forms together; the vehicle ownership information on both forms **must** match.
- Field offices must **not** receipt payment for the IB-CAVD Program; all applications and payment must be sent to the Special Processing Unit (SPU).

Continue to follow all other procedures for CAV decals in Chapter 25 of the *Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual*.

### Background

Senate Bill 957 (Chapter 367, Statutes of 2018), established an Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Program authorizing the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue a CAV decal, valid from January 1, 2020, through January 1, 2024, to a vehicle that was issued a CAV Decal prior to January 1, 2017. If the new registered owner's gross annual household income is at or below 80 percent of the state median income, as designated by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. For the purposes of this program, the statewide median income is subject to change every fiscal year (July through June).

### References

*California Vehicle Code* §5205.5  
*Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual*, Chapter 25  
VIN 2018-23 New Clean Air Vehicle Decal Application Forms

### Distribution

Notification that this memo is available online at [dmv.ca.gov](http://dmv.ca.gov) under Publications was made via California DMV's Automated Email Alert System in January 2020.

### Contact

Call the DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo

Attachments (2)



## INCOME-BASED CLEAN AIR VEHICLE DECAL PROGRAM APPLICATION

Effective January 1, 2020, a vehicle that was previously issued a Clean Air Vehicle (CAV) decal may be re-issued a CAV decal if all of the following conditions are met:

- The vehicle and vehicle owner were not issued a CAV decal prior to January 2017. (*California Vehicle Code (CVC) §5205.5*)
- The registered owner name(s) matches Department of Motor Vehicles' (DMV) records.
- The applicant's total annual household income is at or below **\$65,777** (80% of the state median income as designated by the California Department of Housing and Community Development; amount subject to change).

Household income information provided as part of an application for CAV decals under the Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Program is subject to review by the Franchise Tax Board or other income verification entity.

This form must be submitted with a completed Clean Air Vehicle Decal Application (REG 1000) form and the \$22 CAV Decal fee (check or money order, do not send cash) to the address listed on the REG 1000. Illegible, incomplete and/or unsigned forms will be returned. Decals issued under this program will be valid until January 1, 2024.

**NOTE:** If this vehicle has never been issued a CAV decal, do not use this form; complete a REG 1000 form only and submit with the CAV decal fee to the address listed on the form.

If a CAV decal was previously issued for this vehicle under your name, you are not eligible to participate in the Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Program.

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### How to complete the Income-Based Clean Air Vehicle Decal Application, REG 1000 IB form:

The vehicle must be registered in the applicant's name. If this is a recently acquired vehicle, the transfer of ownership (from dealership or private party) must be completed before the application can be submitted. You will receive a registration card from DMV once the transfer of ownership is complete. The address on the application must match the address on the vehicle registration card.

- Ensure your vehicle is on the CARB eligibility carpool sticker list by checking CARB's website [arb.ca.gov](http://arb.ca.gov), Carpool Stickers or calling 1-800-242-4450.
- Complete an Application for Clean Air Vehicle Decal (REG 1000) form, in Section 2:
  - Check the "Transfer to new owner" box.
  - Check the "Income-Based CAV Decal Program" box.
  - For assistance on how to complete the REG 1000, go to [dmv.ca.gov](http://dmv.ca.gov), Clean Air Vehicle Decals, High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Usage webpage, Frequently Asked Questions.
- Complete Section 1 of the REG 1000 IB with the applicant's name and address. All information must match the REG 1000.
  - Check the appropriate address box for "Address Used For Your Most Recent Tax Filing".
  - Complete the field for the last four of your social security number (SSN).
  - Complete the field for your California driver license (DL) or identification card (ID) number.
  - Complete the field for your DL/ID issue date, found in the lower right corner of your card, under "ISS".
- Complete Section 2 by listing all members of your household, age 17 and older. Your name and income are first on the list. You may attach an additional form if there are more than four (4) members in your household.
  - Total all Annual Income amounts.
- Complete Section 3 by providing all vehicle information. Information must match the REG 1000.
- Complete Section 4 by reading all important information, printing your name and telephone number, and signing the application. An original signature is required.
- Submit the completed REG 1000 IB application, completed REG 1000 application, and \$22 decal fee (do not send cash) to the address shown on the REG 1000 form.

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# Attachment A

## SECTION 1 — CURRENT REGISTERED OWNER INFORMATION *(All information is required and must match REG 1000)*

TRUE FULL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)

MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE

RESIDENCE ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM MAILING ADDRESS) CITY STATE ZIP CODE

ADDRESS USED FOR YOUR MOST RECENT TAX FILING:  
 Mailing  Residence  Other, please specify below:

ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE

LAST 4 DIGITS OF SSN DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD NUMBER DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD ISSUE DATE (ISS)

## SECTION 2 — HOUSEHOLD INCOME INFORMATION *(Subject to verification)*

This application requires the disclosure of the annual income of all members of the household, age 17 and older, who reside together and share common living expenses regardless if they are related. This includes but is not limited to a spouse, significant other, family member(s), and/or roommate(s). Examples of income include wages, unemployment, Social Security, public assistance, pensions, alimony and/or any other miscellaneous sources of income.

Enter the name and annual income for each household member age 17 or older, including yourself (attach an additional form if there are more than 4 members in your household):

Household Member	True Full Name	Annual Income
1 <i>(applicant)</i>		\$
2		\$
3		\$
4		\$
<i>Total Annual Household Income (not to exceed \$65,777)</i>		\$ 0.00

## SECTION 3 — VEHICLE INFORMATION *(Must match REG 1000)*

VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE NUMBER VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

YEAR MAKE MODEL DATE PURCHASED

## SECTION 4 — CERTIFICATION

*I am eligible for a Clean Air Vehicle (CAV) decal pursuant to the requirements in California Vehicle Code (CVC) §5205.2. I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that DMV may verify the information on this application with the Franchise Tax Board or other income verification entity, and hereby authorize the Franchise Tax Board, or other verification entity, to do so upon request by DMV. I also agree voluntarily to submit personal identification information for the purposes of processing my CAV decal application and I consent to my personal information being shared for income verification purposes. I understand that DMV may deny this application or revoke the CAV decals issued to me pursuant to this application based on income verification results.*

PRINTED NAME OF REGISTERED OWNER DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER  
( )

SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED OWNER DATE  
X

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
A Public Service Agency

**\$22 FEE REQUIRED –  
MADE PAYABLE TO DMV**

## APPLICATION FOR CLEAN AIR VEHICLE DECALS

MAIL TO: DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
SPECIAL PROCESSING UNIT – MS D238  
P. O. BOX 932345, SACRAMENTO, CA 94232-3450

DMV USE ONLY	
PREVIOUS DECAL	
ISSUE DATE	

*Only the registered owner of record may apply. For vehicle eligibility, visit the California Air Resources Board (CARB) website at [arb.ca.gov](http://arb.ca.gov). Replacement decals are available to vehicles that have been involved in an accident in which body work affected decal placement. To avoid processing delays, check [dmv.ca.gov](http://dmv.ca.gov) under Clean Air Vehicle Decal link for information on how to complete this form.*

DATE OF PURCHASE	VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE NO.	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL

### SECTION 1 — CURRENT REGISTERED OWNER INFORMATION *(name printed must match DMV records)*

*A Change of Address (DMV 14) form is also required if the address listed below is a recent change of address, or contains a separate mailing address, currently not on DMV records.*

TRUE FULL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE) OR BUSINESS NAME	DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD NUMBER

CO-OWNER TRUE FULL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)	DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD NUMBER

PHYSICAL RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS ADDRESS (INCLUDE ST, AVE, RD, CT, ETC.) UNIT NO. (INDICATE APT., STE., ETC.)

CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM PHYSICAL ABOVE) UNIT NO. (INDICATE APT., STE., ETC.) CITY STATE ZIP CODE

### SECTION 2 — CLEAN AIR VEHICLE DECALS

I am requesting: *(Check box(es))*

- Original decals  
*(Never before issued to vehicle)*
- Correct/update information
- Transfer to new owner
  - Income-Based CAV Decal Program  
*(REG 1000 IB required)*

- Replacement ID Card
- Replacement Decals
- Previous Decal Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Stolen
- Lost or Damaged
- Not Received

Vehicle Motive Power is: *(Check one)*

- Electric (E)
  - Hydrogen fuel cell (R)
  - Plug-in hybrid (Q)
  - Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) (P)
  - Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) (N)
- Advisory: Check Tank Expiration Date*
- Original Manufacturer Equipment  
*(example: Honda, Ford, etc.)*
  - After Market – Listed on the CARB website under BAF Technologies, IMPOC, Landi Renzo, etc.

### SECTION 3 — IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND CERTIFICATION *(California Vehicle Code §5205.5)*

For a vehicle purchased on or after January 1, 2018, an applicant's participation in the Clean Air Vehicle (CAV) Decal program and the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) is based upon both the applicant's gross annual income and vehicle type:

GROSS ANNUAL INCOME	VEHICLE TYPE		
	LPG AND CNG	ELECTRIC OR PLUG-IN HYBRID	HYDROGEN FUEL CELL
<i>At or Above:</i> \$150,000 for single filers, \$204,000 for head-of-household, or \$300,000 for joint filers.	CAV only	CAV only	CAV or CVRP <i>(80 days from date of purchase to choose)</i>
<i>Under:</i> \$150,000 for single filers, \$204,000 for head-of-household, or \$300,000 for joint filers.	CAV only	CAV and CVRP	CAV and CVRP

*I have read the important information above and certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.*

PRINTED NAME	DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER
	( )
SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED OWNER	DATE
X	

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