

Media Release

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TRADIE APPRENTICES TO GET HALF-PRICE REGO

The Andrews Labor Government will be putting more money back into apprentice tradies' wallets in the New Year, with the new half-price registration scheme starting on 1 January 2016.

The first round of registration renewal notices will be issued next week outlining the steps for eligible trade apprentices to take advantage of the Government's discount for apprentices.

From 1 January, eligible apprentices paying standard registration on a light vehicle in metropolitan Melbourne will save \$385.70 per year and apprentices in regional Victoria including Bendigo and Ballarat will save \$330.20.

The Government is supporting the skills of the next generation of Victorian workers, and the money that trade apprentices save on registration costs can now be invested in more training and more tools.

Bricklayers, carpenters, joiners, electricians and plumbers are among those eligible if their employer can verify that the use of their vehicle is an essential part of their work.

Almost 20,000 apprentices enrolled in eligible trade courses will be able to take advantage of this discounted rego.

To view the full list of approved trades, eligibility requirements and to apply online, visit the VicRoads website www.vicroads.vic.gov.au

Applicants are encouraged to apply for the discount as soon as they receive their renewal notice.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Luke Donnellan

"We're putting more money back in the pockets of apprentices so they can get the skills they need for their future career."

"These vehicles are often important tools of the job, and we've delivered on our commitment to halve rego for eligible young bricklayers, carpenters, joiners, electricians and plumbers who rely on our roads to get to and from each job."

Quotes attributable to Minister for Training and Skills Steve Herbert

"Apprentices will have every opportunity to get the skills they need for the jobs they want under an Andrews Labor Government."

"Apprentices are the backbone of our training system and the future of our workforce. This discount shows our Government's commitment to look after them."