



CRA BULLETIN

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DANGEROUS GOODS LICENCE

The following link is to the ERMA website and outlines basic information about the Dangerous Goods Licence. All members that refinish vehicles must have a valid Dangerous Goods Licence (now called Location Test Certificate).

<http://www.ermanz.govt.nz/hs/compliance/dg-licence.asp#new>

As outlined in this above document you should have renewed your licence and had confirmation of this - your licence will now expire on 31 March 2005. You then have 6 months in order to employ a Test Certifier to authorize you with a Location Test Certificate. In order to achieve this Location Test Certificate you must have on site an approved handler – it is recommended that you have 2 approved handlers to ensure one is always on site.

In order to obtain an approved handler certificate you will need to prove to a Test Certifier that you are competent, and have the necessary experience and knowledge to obtain the certificate. Also you must have been working with the substance for 2 consecutive years since July 1999. If approved, you will receive a transitional approved handler certificate which will give you 2 years to obtain a full approved handler certificate.

In order to obtain the full certificate you will be required to have knowledge of the substances, practical experience and knowledge of the HSNO Act. This full certificate will last for 5 years from the date of issue. The CRA are currently investigating the availability of training courses to assist our members in this area.

So therefore if you have not had your Dangerous Goods Licence renewed contact ERMA immediately on phone 0800 376 234.

As there is a shortage of Test Certifiers in NZ we would recommend you contact one as soon as possible in order to book one in. In order to assist CRA members SEETAL Spraybooth & Complianting Solutions have a Test Certifier available, details are on page 17 of Sept/Oct 2004 issue of PanelTalk or phone 0800473382 / 0274473382 for further information.

Further information on this topic will be provided in the next issue of PanelTalk.