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Be aware of 1 July cost increases: RACQ

The State's peak motoring body has warned drivers to expect a raft of increases to transport costs in Queensland from the start of the new financial year.

RACQ spokesperson Lauren Ritchie said driver licence and vehicle registration fees would go up by 1.7 percent on 1 July in line with the Brisbane Consumer Price Index (BCPI).

"Drivers will yet again be made to pay more for renewing their licences and will be further out of pocket to keep their vehicles registered," Ms Ritchie said.

"The cost of a five year licence will climb to \$187.10, while those driving a four-cylinder car will have to pay \$399.55 per year to register their vehicle."

Ms Ritchie said RACQ had reignited its calls for the State Government to freeze vehicle registration increases as the cost to motorists had risen by more than 13 percent over the last five years.

"Transport taxes and charges are already the third highest cost for Queensland households so it's disappointing to see more strain being put on families, especially with many people still overcoming the financial impact of COVID-19," she said.

"Our Transport Cost Survey shows households with more than one vehicle spend, on average, around \$1,300 on registration (including CTP) per year, and we believe that these costs are becoming unaffordable for many."

On top of licence and registration fee increases, Ms Ritchie said drivers would also pay more to use toll roads and to park in the Brisbane CBD from next month.

"Aside from the AirportLinkM7, every other toll road charge in the south east will go up by BCPI, which includes the Gateway Bridge, Clem7 tunnel, Legacy Way tunnel, Go Between Bridge, Logan Motorway and Toowoomba Bypass," she said.

"On-street parking in Brisbane's CBD will also jump by almost six percent to \$5.50 per hour at meters up to three hours, which could further discourage people returning to the city to shop and dine."

Ms Ritchie warned drivers would also pay a higher price for breaking the law on our roads.

"The State Government's penalty unit is increasing by 3.3 percent, moving to \$137.85, which means if you're caught driving 13km/h to 20km/h over the speed limit you'll face a \$275 fine, so it pays to drive safely and obey the road rules."

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Cost increases from 1 July 2021:

Vehicle	Cost at 1 July 2020	Cost at 1 July 2021
1,2,3 cylinders or electric car	\$321.40	\$326.85
4 cylinder	\$392.85	\$399.55
5 or 6 cylinder	\$588.00	\$598.00
7 or 8 cylinder	\$800.10	\$813.70

Licence duration	Cost at 1 July 2020	Cost at 1 July 2021
1 year driver licence	\$82.15	\$83.55
2 year driver licence	\$114.55	\$116.50
3 year driver licence	\$141.70	\$144.10
4 year driver licence	\$163.95	\$166.75
5 year driver licence	\$183.95	\$187.10
Replacement driver licence—issued with the same expiry date as your current licence	\$78.75	\$80.10

Toll	Motorbike (Class 1) cost at 1 July 2020	Motorbike (Class 1) cost at 1 July 2021	Car (Class 2) cost at 1 July 2020	Car (Class 2) cost at 1 July 2021
Clem7	\$2.64	\$2.69	\$5.28	\$5.37
Go Between Bridge	\$1.65	\$1.68	\$3.29	\$3.35
Legacy Way	\$2.85	\$2.90	\$5.70	\$5.80
Toowoomba Bypass	\$1.17	\$1.19	\$2.34	\$2.38

Gateway Motorway/Logan Motorway	Motorbike (Class 1) cost at 1 July 2020	Motorbike (Class 1) cost at 1 July 2021	Car (Class 2) cost at 1 July 2020	Car (Class 2) cost at 1 July 2021
Murarrie	\$2.36	\$2.40	\$4.70	\$4.78
Kuraby/Compton Road	\$1.39	\$1.41	\$2.77	\$2.82
Loganlea	\$0.89	\$0.91	\$1.78	\$1.81
Heathwood/Paradise Road	\$1.47	\$1.50	\$2.93	\$2.98

Speeding	Fine as at 1 July 2020	Fine as at 1 July 2021
13km/h – 20km/h	\$266	\$275

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