

NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

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Update of Required Rating Profiles

The Canadian Automobile Insurance Rate Regulators Association ("CARR") developed a set of harmonized rating profiles to be used by all members. The vehicles used in the rating profiles were based on information provided by the Insurance Bureau of Canada ("IBC") that reflected the types of vehicles that were commonly driven in the various jurisdictions. The Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board ("Board") adopted them for use.

When the profiles were created, the intention was to periodically review and refresh the vehicles to keep them relevant. Recently, the Research Committee of CARR approached IBC to review the vehicles used in the profiles. IBC provided suggestions for new vehicles for each profile, The Research Committee determined new vehicles for use in the profiles.

The Board has approved the use of these updated CARR harmonized profiles, as follows:

- All simplified CLEAR filings used to adopt the 2017 CLEAR table for private passenger vehicles will be required to use the new profiles.
- All applications for private passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles, or miscellaneous vehicles that require the completion of rating profiles, submitted after <u>March 30, 2017</u> will be required to use the new profiles.

The new profiles can be found on the Board's website (<u>nsuarb.novascotia.ca</u>) on the Rate Filing Requirements page under Auto Insurance tab on the left side.

Questions

Any questions or concerns relating to approval of the new rating profiles can be directed to the following Board staff:

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