

COVID-19

Security, investigator and locksmith licence extension update

On June 15, 2020, the Alberta government lifted the provincial state of public health emergency. Based on an assessment of access to criminal record checks, as well as the availability of Alberta Registries, measures to assist the security industry by extending license expiry date renewals under the *Security Services and Investigators Act* will not be extended past midnight, July 2, 2020.

Current licenses

- All individual and business licenses expiring between March 9 and July 1, 2020, will expire at midnight on July 2, 2020. Licensees should take the necessary measures to complete their renewal applications immediately so that they hold a valid licence as of July 2, 2020.

Criminal record checks

- RCMP detachments are processing criminal record and vulnerable sector searches for employment purposes. As staff safety measures are still in place at these locations, licensees are advised to contact detachments in advance to determine if an appointment is required.
- Online applications for criminal record checks processed by municipal police services will continue to be accepted.

Licence renewals

- Authorized participating registry offices have remained open throughout the current emergency and will continue to process renewal applications for individuals with clear criminal record checks.
- All other renewal applications and business licence renewal applications must be submitted to the Security Services and Investigators Program for processing.

Baton certification

- If certification to carry a baton expires and recertification training is not available, individuals must cease the use of this equipment immediately.
- Batons must be stored in a secure location until recertification training is completed.

Contact us

If you have questions, please contact the Security Services and Investigators Program at 1-877-462-0791 or ssia.registrar@gov.ab.ca

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