Victoria’s Club Plate Permit - New Rules

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New rules are being introduced for Victoria's Club Permit scheme. These changes include increased fees, potential electronic logbooks, and stricter scrutiny by VicRoads. The eligibility age remains at 25 years or older, but VicRoads will have broader powers to investigate clubs and permit holders.

Key Changes:

- **Increased Fees:**
  Permit fees will increase, with a 45-day permit potentially increasing by around $14 and a 90-day permit by up to $28.

- **Electronic Logbooks:**
  VicRoads is considering introducing electronic logbooks (e.g., via an app) as an alternative to paper logbooks.

- **Stricter Scrutiny:**
  VicRoads will have greater oversight of clubs and permit holders, with the ability to request "please explain" for clubs and individuals that attract attention.

- **Potential Penalties:**
  New penalties for non-compliance with Club Permit rules, such as logbook violations, are also being proposed.

- **Eligibility:**
  The minimum age for eligibility remains at 25 years, and vehicles already on the scheme will not be affected by these changes.

- **Club Membership:**
  Members must be financial members of an approved club and maintain continuous membership to keep their permit valid.

- **Logbook Usage:**
  Logbooks must be kept and accurately filled out for every trip, with separate entries required for trips spanning multiple days.

- **Vehicle Modifications:**
  Any modifications to a vehicle on the Club Permit scheme must be reported to the Club Permit Administrator and comply with relevant standards.

- **Transfer of Permits:**
  Club permits are not transferable; if a vehicle is sold or given away, the permit must be cancelled.