



THE TRADE BOARD LIMITED
AN AGENCY OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE,
AGRICULTURE & FISHERIES

**NOTICE TO IMPORTERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES &
SPECIFIC HEAVY-DUTY EQUIPMENT**

Importers of Motor Vehicles are hereby advised of the following important dates with respect to the importation of Motor Vehicles for the year ending December 31, 2018:

1. **November 30, 2018**– This is the **final date** for submitting import licence applications to the Trade Board Limited for:
 - 2013 model year motorcars
 - 2012 model year light commercial units.
 - 2013 model year motor cycles
 - 2006 model year buses seating capacity 15-29
 - 2004 model year buses seating capacity 30-44
 - 1998 model year buses seating capacity 45 and over
 - 2003 model year trucks unladen weight 3,000kg-4,000kg
 - 1998 model year trucks unladen weight 4,001 kg-8,000 kg
 - 1993 model year trucks unladen weight over 8,000 kg
 - 1988 model year heavy duty commercial equipment.
2. **December 31, 2018** – Importers holding Import Licences for the above listed model year motor vehicles and heavy-duty commercial equipment with an expiry date of December 2018 must ensure that these vehicles and equipment arrive on or before December 31, 2018.

Please note that:

- **No applications for import licences to facilitate the importation of motor vehicles and heavy duty equipment with the above listed model years will be accepted beyond November 30, 2018 without documentary evidence from the shipper indicating that the item being imported will arrive on or before December 31, 2018.**
- **No request for extension on the expiry dates of import licences for vehicles and heavy duty equipment with the above listed model years will be accommodated.**

3. **January 01, 2019** – Used motor vehicles and equipment to be imported must not be older than the model years stipulated in the schedule below:
- 2014 model year motorcars
 - 2013 model year light commercial units
 - 2009 model year motorcars/light commercial vehicles (**returning residents**)
 - 2014 model year motor cycles
 - 2007 model year buses seating capacity 15-29
 - 2005 model year buses seating capacity 30-44
 - 1999 model year buses seating capacity 45 and over
 - 2004 model year trucks unladen weight 3,000kg-4,000kg
 - 1999 model year trucks unladen weight 4,001 kg-8,000 kg
 - 1994 model year trucks unladen weight over 8,000 kg
 - 1989 model year heavy-duty commercial equipment.

IMPORTERS ARE AGAIN REMINDED NOT TO SHIP LICENSABLE ITEMS BEFORE OBTAINING APPROVAL FROM THE TRADE BOARD LIMITED. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TRADE BOARD LIMITED WILL NOT ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY BREACH CITED BY THE JAMAICA CUSTOMS AGENCY, IF THE APPLICANT IMPORTS AN ITEM BEFORE OBTAINING THE REQUISITE IMPORT LICENCE.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**Trade Administrator/CEO
The Trade Board Limited
October 12, 2018**