

Plate Denial for Defaulted *Provincial Offences Act* (POA) Fines Begins May 1, 2017

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has confirmed that as of May 1 drivers with defaulted *Provincial Offences Act* (POA) fines (such as speeding fines) dating back to May 1, 2010 will be [unable](#) to renew their vehicle plates until defaulted fines have been paid. The Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG) has also made changes to allow municipal governments to recoup the costs of using collection agencies to collect defaulted fines.

Expanding licence plate denial for defaulted POA fines has been a key ask of municipal governments since before the 2011 election. Since that time, MTO, MAG, AMO, Toronto, the Municipal Courts Managers Association and others, have been working to implement expanded plate denial.

AMO is pleased that this tool is now available to municipalities seeking to collect defaulted POA fines and appreciates the work of the government to make this happen. Since the transfer of POA courts to the municipal sector, municipal governments have been working on ways to more effectively collect these fines and expanded plate denial.

For more information, members are encouraged to contact their [municipal courts administration staff](#).