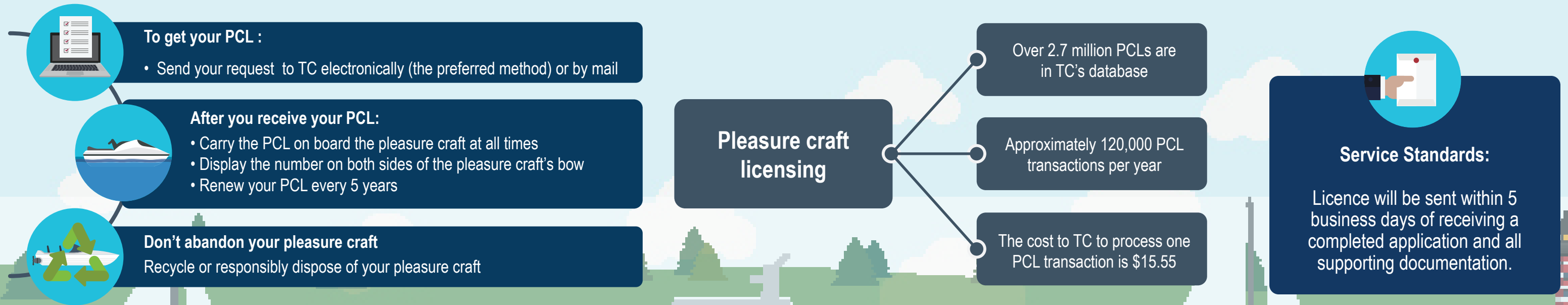


# MODERNIZING PLEASURE CRAFT LICENSING PROGRAM

A pleasure craft licence (PCL) is a document issued by TC's Office of Boating Safety which contains a unique licence number used to identify vessels and licence holders. This number allows police and search and rescue personnel to access important information in an emergency. It also supports accountability and compliance with safety and environmental regulations.



## PROPOSING CHANGES TO INCREASE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND TO IMPROVE SERVICE DELIVERY

CURRENTLY	MAIN PROPOSED CHANGES	WHY
PCLs issued prior to 2010 are valid for life. PCLs issued after 2010 are valid for 10 years.	Reduce validity period to 5 years.	To reduce the challenge of identifying pleasure craft license holders due to outdated information in the Pleasure Craft Electronic Licensing System.
A PCL or registration is mandatory for all pleasure craft equipped with an engine of 7.5 kilowatts (10 horsepower) or more.	Include all pleasure craft above 6 metres (i.e. all power driven and wind-powered vessels). Exclude human-powered boats (e.g. kayak, dragon boats).	To give TC a more comprehensive data set of pleasure craft licences for the purposes of emergency situations and identifying owners of wrecked and abandoned vessels.
PCL holders are required to provide immediate notification of a sale or transfer of a licensed pleasure craft. PCL holders are required to notify name or address change within 90 days.	Require PCL holders to notify of a name or address change within 30 days. Individuals buying or transferring a licensed vessel must notify within 30 days.	To improve the reliability of the pleasure craft owner information in the same boating season.
No fee for any type of PCL transactions.	Introduce a \$15 fee for acquiring a new PCL, for renewing or transferring an existing PCL, or for issuing a duplicate PCL. No fee for cancelling a PCL or for address change.	To reduce the cost borne by taxpayers of providing this service.

## ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

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