



Side Guard Fact Sheet

For every vehicle with BIC-issued Trade Waste Conveyance Plates (“BIC plates”) and a GVWR over 10,000 pounds, you must:

1. Submit proof of side guard installation including photographs through the BIC Online Portal;
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2. Apply for a waiver of the side guard requirement from BIC

in order to comply with the side guard law, which goes into effect on *January 1, 2023*.

Please be advised:

- Licensees and registrants that fail to provide proof of compliance with the side guard requirement or submit a waiver application for **EACH** vehicle by January 1, 2023, will be subject to a violation.
- Only side guard waiver applications submitted through the online portal will be reviewed by the Commission. **BIC will not accept hard copy or emailed waiver applications.**
- Providing false information to BIC is a violation of the Commission’s Rules (see 17 RCNY § 1-09), which may subject you to criminal penalties or civil penalties of up to \$10,000 for each such violation, and could adversely affect your license or registration status.

Resources and Links:

- [Instructions for uploading proof of side guard compliance.](#)
- [Instructions](#) for submitting a side guard waiver application
- [Side guard vendor list for reference.](#) Selection of side guard type, supplier, and installer are at the discretion of the licensee or registrant.
- For technical support with the BIC Online Portal, email portalsupport@bic.nyc.gov
- For questions related to the side guard requirement, email PolicyInfo@bic.nyc.gov
- Read [Local Law 56 here](#) and [Local Law 108 here](#).
- Questions about the side guard requirement for city contractors should be directed to the Citywide Department of Administrative Services (“DCAS”) at this email address: contactdcas@dcas.nyc.gov