# Important Changes

***Please Read: These changes may affect you!***

Effective January 1, 2016

**Your Action May be Required:**

- Minimum liability insurance requirement increases from $100,000 to $500,000
  Check with your insurance agent to see if you already meet this requirement or if you need to increase your insurance.
- A new bond tier of $20,000 bond for landscaping jobs of $50,000 or more
  If you perform any landscape job (on same job site for same owner within any 12 month period) that is $50,000 or more, you need to obtain the new $20,000 bond. Contact your bonding or insurance agent.
- Revised bond form
  All bonds will need to be updated using the revised bond form. The new bond form will be collected at the time of renewal.
- Vehicle stickers are no longer valid
  The vehicle stickers previously issued by the LCB will no longer be accepted as the 4 digit number required in any and all advertising on vehicles and trailers. You are not required to have your 4 digit LCB number on your vehicle, unless you advertise on your vehicle. If you relied on your vehicle sticker somewhere on your vehicle to meet this requirement and you do not have this number with signage, you will need to update your signage to include that 4 digit number.

**Contract Information Most Licensees will want to know:**

A written contract is not required when the business charges less than $2,000 for a landscaping job (defined as all landscaping work bid on the same job site for the same owner within any 12 month period). If the work within any 12 month period will be more than $2,000 a written contract will be required.

**CEH: Reduction of Hours!!!:**

Reduces the number of continuing education hours (CEH) required to 8 hours every two years for licensees with an active license for 6 years or more

**Additional items of interest:**

- LCB licensees can subcontract construction work related to landscaping jobs (e.g. plumbing and electrical)
- A planting and all phase licensed business may now install artificial turf (except for large sports fields)
- An irrigation and all phase licensed business can perform irrigation design work without installing the irrigation system
- Removal and pruning of trees, tree limbing or guying or stump removal performed by a LCB licensee is now covered by the landscaping bond
- The time allowed to notify the LCB of an address change is 30 days (previously only 10 days)