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Division 10—Director of Revenue
Chapter 23—Motor Vehicle

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**Title 12—DEPARTMENT OF
REVENUE**

**Division 10—Director of Revenue
Chapter 23—Motor Vehicle**

12 CSR 10-23.010 Dealer Plate Allocation
(Rescinded July 14, 1982)

AUTHORITY: section 301.250.4, RSMo 1978. This version of rule filed Oct. 21, 1974, effective Oct. 31, 1974. Rescinded: Filed March 12, 1982, effective July 14, 1982.

12 CSR 10-23.020 Dealer Registration
(Rescinded April 29, 1991)

AUTHORITY: section 301.251, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed April 14, 1980, effective Sept. 12, 1980. Amended: Filed March 26, 1982, effective July 12, 1982. Emergency amendment filed Aug. 14, 1984, effective Aug. 24, 1984 expired Dec. 22, 1984. Amended: Filed Aug. 14, 1984, effective Dec. 13, 1984. Amended: Filed May 27, 1986, effective Aug. 25, 1986. Rescinded: Filed Nov. 15, 1990, effective April 29, 1991.

**12 CSR 10-23.030 Bona Fide Established
Place of Business**
(Rescinded April 29, 1991)

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**12 CSR 10-23.040 Cancellation of Dealer
Registration**
(Rescinded June 11, 1983)

AUTHORITY: section 301.257, RSMo Supp. 1982. Original rule filed April 14, 1980, effective Sept. 12, 1980. Amended: Filed March 26, 1982, effective July 12, 1982. Rescinded: Filed March 4, 1983, effective June 11, 1983.

**12 CSR 10-23.050 Dealers' Monthly
Reports**

(Moved to 12 CSR 10-26.190)

**12 CSR 10-23.070 Regulation of Dealer
License Plates**

(Rescinded February 29, 2012)

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12 CSR 10-23.100 Special License Plates

PURPOSE: This rule establishes categories of special license plates as well as the procedure for application for and issuance of the special license plates.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) For the purpose of this rule, "special license plates" shall include all personalized, military, collegiate, helping schools, and special organizational license plates that contain letters and/or numbers and may include one apostrophe ('), one space, or one dash (—).

(2) All special license plates are available in the following plate categories—

- (A) Passenger;
- (B) Recreational Vehicle (RV);
- (C) Local 6;
- (D) Local 12;
- (E) Beyond Local 6;
- (F) Beyond Local 12;
- (G) Motorcycle/Motortricycle;
- (H) Local and Beyond Local 18;
- (I) Shuttle Bus—regular personalized plates only;
- (J) Van Pool—regular personalized plates only; and
- (K) Historic—regular personalized plates only.

(3) No special license plate will be issued which will conflict with any license number used or to be used in the regular license plate numbering system.

(4) Special license plates are not assigned to a particular vehicle until the plates are actually issued to the owner of that vehicle by the Department of Revenue.

(5) Special license plates shall not be transferred from one (1) owner to another unless provided by law, except that the holder of a special plate may follow the procedures established by the director in order to display his/her special plate on a vehicle leased by the holder after approval by the director; and they shall not be transferred from one (1) vehicle category to another. This includes any request for transfer by gift, trust, will, or judicial proceeding.

(6) The director of revenue shall reserve the right to approve or disapprove any request for special license plates or the transfer of license plates from one (1) vehicle to another in the same category.

(7) The month of expiration on all special license plates for motorcycles and motortricycles will be April of each year. Special license plates issued to members of the United States Congress, Missouri State Senate, and Missouri House of Representatives; honorary consulars; and the following statewide elected officials: governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, and attorney general, which are issued in accordance with section 301.144, RSMo, will expire in January of each year. The month of expiration on all other special license plates issued or renewed prior to January 1, 2009, shall be staggered. Special license plates issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2009, shall expire as detailed in the chart below. Registrations for special license plates will be issued for a minimum of six (6) months except as otherwise determined by the director. Applicants who purchase a biennial registration will extend the registration another year with the total registration not to exceed thirty (30) months.



SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE CATEGORY	EXPIRATION MONTH
Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, United States Congress, Missouri State Senate, Missouri House of Representatives, and Honorary Consulars	January
Passenger, RV, 6,000 and 12,000 lb. Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV), Shuttle Bus, Van Pool, Personalized Historic	July
Motorcycle/tricycle	April
18,000 lb. and above CMV	December

(8) Initial applications for special license plates shall be made on Form 1716, Application For Missouri Personalized And Special License Plates, or Form 4601, Application For Missouri Military Personalized License Plates, respectively. The Application For Missouri Personalized And Special License Plates, revised October 2008 and Application For Missouri Military Personalized License Plates, revised July 2008, both of which are incorporated by reference, are published by and can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 43, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0043 or at <http://dor.mo.gov/mvdl/motorv/forms/>. These applications do not include any amendments or additions to their October 2008 and July 2008 editions respectively. Initial applications must be submitted to the Department of Revenue, PO Box 569, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0569. Applications shall be accompanied by a special license plate fee of fifteen dollars (\$15), and a current emblem-use authorization statement or proof of military service, if required by law.

(9) Applicants who apply for a biennial registration at the time they pick up or renew their special license plates must submit a second fifteen-dollar (\$15) fee and emblem-use authorization statement indicating the minimum donation or the original emblem-use authorization statement indicating twice the annual minimum donation, if applicable.

(10) Special license plates for which the Department of Revenue has not received a reapplication (renewal) will be held for at least sixty (60) days from the date of expiration before being issued to a new applicant.

(11) Reapplications (renewals) for special license plates shall be filed with the Department of Revenue prior to the last day of the month in which they expire.

(12) The director of revenue may recall any special license plate erroneously issued under this rule.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.144 and 301.451, RSMo Supp. 2008 and section 301.449, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Aug. 14, 1978, effective Nov. 13, 1978. Amended: Filed April 11, 1979, effective July 11, 1979. Emergency amendment filed Oct. 30, 1979, effective Nov. 9, 1979, expired Feb. 18, 1980. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 1979, effective Feb. 11, 1980. Emergency amendment filed March 9, 1982, effective March 19, 1982, expired July 16, 1982. Amended: Filed May 20, 1982, effective Sept. 13, 1982. Amended: Filed Feb. 24, 1984, effective June 11, 1984. Amended: Filed Nov. 18, 1986, effective March 12, 1987. Amended: Filed July 17, 1989, effective Oct. 27, 1989. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 1989, effective March 26, 1990. Emergency amendment filed Sept. 16, 1991, effective Sept. 26, 1991, expired Jan. 23, 1992. Amended: Filed Sept. 16, 1991, effective Jan. 13, 1992. Amended: Filed Sept.*

1, 1995, effective Feb. 25, 1996. Amended: Filed Jan. 31, 2000, effective July 30, 2000. Amended: Filed Oct. 8, 2008, effective April 30, 2009.

**Original authority 301.144, RSMo 1977, amended 1979, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1995, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2007; 301.449, RSMo 1989, amended 1995; and 301.451, RSMo 1991, amended 1993, 1995, 1997, 2006.*

12 CSR 10-23.110 Hearing Held Pursuant to Section 301.257, RSMo
(Rescinded April 29, 1991)

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12 CSR 10-23.120 Business Records of Manufacturers, Dealers and Boat Dealers
(Rescinded December 3, 1992)

AUTHORITY: section 301.251, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed April 25, 1983, effective Sept. 11, 1983. Amended: Filed May 27, 1986, effective Aug. 25, 1986. Rescinded: Filed April 23, 1992, effective Dec. 3, 1992.



William R. Newmann, d/b/a Goodfellow Auto Sales & Salvage, Inc. v. Director of Revenue, Case No. RV-86-0286 (A.H.C. 8/30/88). The Administrative Hearing Commission found that petitioner failed to maintain complete records and files on motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts acquired for resale in the business office at the registered location during normal business hours and that suspension of its auto salvage dealer's license was proper.

12 CSR 10-23.130 Legal Name on Title Application

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the requirement of using the full legal name when making application for a motor vehicle or trailer certificate of title.

(1) Any person(s) making application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle or trailer must make the application using his/her or their full legal name. For the purpose of section 301.190, RSMo, the legal name is deemed to be the name that appears on that person's Missouri operator's or chauffeur's license.

(2) The legal name for any business making application for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle or trailer is deemed to be the name or the fictitious name as registered with the secretary of state.

AUTHORITY: section 301.190, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Feb. 3, 1984, effective May 11, 1984.*

**Original authority: 301.190, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1965, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.*

12 CSR 10-23.140 Motor Vehicle Title Services

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the requirements that must be met for registration as a title service agent.

(1) Motor vehicle title service agents registering pursuant to section 301.114.2., RSMo shall file an application with the Department of Revenue on a form provided by the director of revenue. The application shall be filed annually together with the following:

(A) Proof of registration with the Office of the Secretary of State, either Certificate of Incorporation or fictitious name registration, if required;

(B) A corporate surety bond on a form approved by the director of revenue. The bond requirements are—

1. The amount of the bond must be twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000);

2. The bond must be executed in the name of the State of Missouri for the benefit of any aggrieved party. The proceeds are to be payable to the aggrieved party upon receipt by the director of a final judgment from a court of competent jurisdiction against the title service agent;

3. The effective date for the bond must be on or before the date the application is received by the motor vehicle bureau;

4. The bond must state that it is conditioned upon the applicant's compliance with the provisions of the statutes applicable to all requirements for the lawful obtaining or receiving of certificates of ownership for motor vehicles;

5. The bond must state that it is an indemnity bond for loss sustained by any person by reasons of an act of the title service agent when that act could constitute grounds for suspension or revocation of the title service agent's registration; and

6. The bond must state that in the event of cancellation by the surety, the Department of Revenue will receive notice of cancellation prior to the cancellation;

(C) Address where business is to be conducted (not a post office box) and the established business hours; and

(D) Registration fee.

(2) A title service agent must file a separate application and shall be issued a separate license for each location owned and operated by the agent.

(3) All registrations expire on June 30 of each year and applications for renewal must be filed in a timely manner to assure registration for the year beginning July 1.

(4) Any title service agent who changes the site of either the principal or a branch location must comply with all provisions of section 301.114, RSMo before the application may be accepted.

(5) Whenever a title service agent is no longer entitled to registration pursuant to section 301.114, RSMo through voluntary cessation of business, abandonment of the registered place of business, suspension of registration, sale of a business, declaration of bankruptcy or for any other reason, the title service agent immediately shall surrender his/her license to the director of revenue regardless of the unexpired time remaining in

the registration period applicable to that license. No portion of the registration fee will be refunded.

(6) The agent must maintain reasonable business hours to allow contact by any authorized representative of the department, member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol or any authorized peace officer. Reasonable business hours will be considered to be 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., four (4) days a week. If the title service is closed, the agent, by notice, must inform the public of a reasonable method of making appointments and the hours during which the agent will be present. An agent may make written application to the Department of Revenue for approval of more limited hours of operation than those required in this section and may operate during the hours upon written approval by the Department of Revenue.

(7) Any changes in the application information must be reported immediately to the motor vehicle bureau.

AUTHORITY: section 301.114, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Sept. 10, 1984, effective Jan. 12, 1985.*

**Original authority: 301.114, RSMo 1984.*



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU

APPLICATION FOR TITLE SERVICE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION
Valid only for business address shown below (301.114 RSMo)

VALIDATION ONLY:

Title Service Name: Telephone: ()
Street: City:
State: County: Zip Code:

Type of Ownership (Check One):
A. Individual B. Partnership C. Corporation
D. If applicable, papers of incorporation filed in which state?

List all owners below: (If corporation, indicate principal officers)
1. Full Legal Name Birthdate Street City State Zip Code Home Telephone
2. Full Legal Name Birthdate Street City State Zip Code Home Telephone
3. Full Legal Name Birthdate Street City State Zip Code Home Telephone
4. Full Legal Name Birthdate Street City State Zip Code Home Telephone

I do solemnly verify that the concern named herein is a bona fide title service business, and that I do have the authority to make the statements contained and to sign this application.
Signature of Authorized Applicant Date

IMPORTANT

- 1. A title service agent must file a separate application and shall be issued a separate license for each location owned and operated by such agent.
2. Copies of the following must be submitted with application for approval of registration:
a. Proof of registration with the Secretary of State, either Certificate of Incorporation, or Fictitious Name Registration; and,
b. a corporate surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).
3. Whenever a title service agent is no longer entitled to registration pursuant to Section 301.114, for whatever reason, the title service agent shall immediately surrender his license to the Director of Revenue.

"Any false statement in this application is a violation of the law and may be punished by fine or imprisonment or both" (301.420 RSMo).

DISTRIBUTION: White Copy - Office, Pink Copy - Applicant, Yellow Copy - Audit



Motor Vehicle Bureau
Division of MV/DL
Post Office Box 3325
Jefferson City, MO 65105-3325

STATE OF MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Dear Title Service Applicant:

Enclosed is your title service registration renewal application for the 1990-1991 registration year. Please read and follow the instructions very carefully to prevent the rejection of your application and interruption of your business.

All title service registrations expire June 30th of each year. To guarantee that your application is approved before the June 30th expiration date, please submit the application and all requirements by June 23, 1990.

If you have any questions, please call (314) 751-4469.

Thank you for your immediate attention to these matters.

CENTRAL BRANCH SECTION
Special Registration Unit
5506 (4-10-90)

MISSOURI TITLE SERVICE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

Note: Title Service Registrations Expire June 30th of Each Year
Renewals Should Be Submitted By June 23, 1990

Who Must Register?

Missouri law (301.114 RSMo.) requires any person who carries on or conducts a business, the purpose of which is to act as an agent for a fee in obtaining a certificate of ownership of a motor vehicle, to register as a motor vehicle title service agent.

Registration Requirements

Any person who registers as a Missouri title service agent must submit the following (A separate application and the required documents must be submitted for each location operated):

1. Application, DOR-2509 (7-84) - must be completed in full and signed by the owner, partner or corporate officer listed on the application;
2. Corporate Surety Bond - A corporate surety bond in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). Attached are the bond requirements and a sample bond that may be used. If the bond is due to expire, a notarized letter or form signed by the bonding company stating the bond is still in full force and effect must be submitted. The letter must indicate an expiration date or state that the bond is non-expiring, and shall in all cases state that the Department of Revenue will be notified in case of cancellation by either party.
3. Fees - A check or money order for the \$50.00 annual registration fee made payable to the Missouri Department of Revenue (Do not send cash).
4. Missouri law (301.114 RSMo.) requires all title service applicants to be of good moral character. Good moral character is determined through a criminal record check made by the Missouri State Highway Patrol of all owners, partners, or principal officers (if a corporation) listed on the application.

The required documents must be mailed to the address shown below. Failure to submit any of the required documents or fees as herein provided will result in the rejection of the application and cause a delay in registration. Mail all applications to the following address: Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Special Registration Unit, P.O. Box 3325, Jefferson City, Missouri 65105-3325. Applications which are hand delivered will not be approved the same day they are delivered.



CORPORATE SURETY BOND

Missouri law requires that every applicant for a Motor Vehicle Title Service license shall furnish, at the time of application, a corporate surety bond in the penal sum of \$25,000.00. The bond shall be on a form provided by the Director of Revenue. The requirements of the bond are as follows:

1. The bond must be executed in the name of the State of Missouri for the benefit of any aggrieved party.
2. The title service name must be listed as principal of the bond.
3. The effective date of the bond must be on or before the date of the application for title service license.
4. The bond must state that it is conditional upon the applicant's compliance with the provisions of the statutes applicable to all requirements for the lawful obtaining or receiving of certificates of ownership for motor vehicles.
5. The bond must state that it is an indemnity bond for loss sustained by any person by reason of an act of the title service, when that act could constitute grounds for suspension or revocation of the title service's registration.
6. The amount of the bond must be \$25,000.00 and must specify that the liability of the surety bond shall in no event exceed \$25,000.00.
7. The bond may or may not state that it is payable to the aggrieved party only after final judgment of a Missouri Court against the title service.
8. The bond must indicate an expiration date or state that it is a non-expiring bond, and shall, in all cases, state that the Department of Revenue will be notified in case of cancellation by either party.
9. The principal (title service agent) must sign the bond and have his signature witnessed or notarized.
10. The authorized agent of the bonding company must sign the bond and have his signature witnessed or notarized.

If a completed bond form does not accompany the title service's application for registration, the application will be rejected. The attached sample bond meets all the requirements set forth by Missouri law and may be used as a sample.



SAMPLE BOND

MISSOURI TITLE SERVICE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT, that we _____
 as Principal, and _____, a corporation organized and
 existing under the laws of the State of _____, having its
 principal place of business at _____, as
 Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri, in the penal sum
 of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for the payment of which, well and
 truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators,
 successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these present.

THE CONDITION of the above obligation is such that WHEREAS the Principal
 has applied for the issuance of a Motor Vehicle Title Service license and
 presents this bond in accordance with said statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the aforesaid Principal shall faithfully comply with the
 provisions of the State of Missouri statutes applicable to all requirements for
 the lawful obtaining or receiving of certificates of ownership for
 motor vehicles, and shall indemnify any person dealing or transacting business
 with the principal for any loss sustained by any person by reason of the acts of
 principal provided such acts of Principal constitute grounds for suspension or
 revocation of Principal's registration, then this obligation to be void;
 otherwise, to remain in full force and effect.

The aggregate liability of the Surety of all persons shall, in no event,
 exceed the amount of this bond during any one license year.

The bond shall be effective _____, 19____ and shall
 expire _____, 19____ (Bond can be listed as "non-expiring").

This bond may be cancelled by the Surety giving written notice to the
 Principal and Missouri Director of Revenue, stating the date of cancellation,
 which in no event shall be less than thirty (30) days after receipt of said
 notice by the Director of Revenue; however, the Surety shall remain liable for
 any and all acts of the Principal covered by this bond up to the date of
 cancellation.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 19____.

WITNESS TO PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE

 Signature

 Signature of Title Service (Principal)
 (Seal)

WITNESS TO SURETY'S SIGNATURE

 Signature

 Signature of Bondsman (Surety) (Seal)



12 CSR 10-23.150 Administrative Hearing Held Pursuant to Section 301.119, RSMo

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the procedures that will be utilized by the director and title service agents for compliance with section 301.119, RSMo.

(1) A title service agent receiving a notice of revocation/suspension for failure to satisfy the requirements of state law must request a hearing by the date stated on the notice of revocation/suspension. Failure to request the hearing by that date will be considered a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing and will make final, for the purposes of review, the director's decision.

(2) The date of the United States postmark shall be deemed the date of filing. If the request for hearing is delivered by hand, the date of filing shall be deemed to be the date received by the director of revenue or his/her official representative. If any date for performing any act falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in this state, the act shall be considered timely provided it is performed on the next succeeding business day.

(3) Hearings will be held in Jefferson City, Missouri. Cases will be placed on the administrative docket in the order in which they are received.

(4) Parties requesting hearings will be notified by first class mail of the date and time of the hearing. A copy of the notice will be sent to the attorneys of record and the parties involved.

(5) Parties requesting hearings will be allowed one (1) continuance at the discretion of the hearing officer, provided good cause is shown. All requests for continuances shall be made in writing, state good cause for the continuance and be signed and verified by the party making the requests or his/her attorney or authorized representative. All requests for continuance must be filed not later than six (6) days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing. The following events or conditions shall constitute good cause to continue a hearing:

(A) Death of a party, representative, or an attorney of a party, or a witness to an essential fact;

(B) Incapacitating illness of a party, or representative, or attorney of a party or witness to an essential fact. The request must contain a written statement by an attending physician reciting the nature and probable duration of the illness; and

(C) Unavailability of a party, representative or attorney or material witness due to an unavoidable emergency.

(6) Cases under section 301.119, RSMo shall be considered contested cases as that term is defined in Chapter 536, RSMo.

(7) Hearing procedures are as follows:

(A) The director of revenue or his/her representative shall state to the requesting party that the director has determined that the title service agent has failed to comply with the provisions of Chapter 301, RSMo and the basis for this decision by the director;

(B) The requesting party may present any new facts which s/he feels may show compliance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 301, RSMo;

(C) Parties may present testimony by affidavit. Affidavits may be filed at the time of hearing or after notice of setting of the hearing. Parties will submit the original and three (3) copies of affidavits;

(D) Failure to appear at the hearing at the stated time will make the decision of the director final as of that date; and

(E) The provisions of Chapter 536, RSMo shall apply to hearings held pursuant to section 301.119, RSMo.

(8) The director shall make findings of fact and conclusions of law and enter his/her decision. All parties will be mailed a copy of the findings of fact and conclusions of law. No decision will be given at the time of the hearing.

(9) The effective date of the director's decision shall be the date set out in the notice of revocation/suspension or the date set in the hearing decision letter, whichever date is later.

(10) Parties may present briefs of law at the time of the hearing.

AUTHORITY: section 301.119, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Sept. 10, 1984, effective Jan. 12, 1985.*

**Original authority: 301.119, RSMo 1984.*

12 CSR 10-23.160 Good Moral Character of Motor Vehicle Dealers, Manufacturers, Boat Dealers, Salvage Dealers and Title Service Agents

PURPOSE: The director of the Department of Revenue is charged with the responsibility of determining that applicants for registration

as motor vehicle dealers, salvage dealers and title service agents are of good moral character. This rule establishes the guidelines which will be used to determine if the applicant is eligible for registration.

(1) Except with a showing of evidence to the contrary, the following will be considered *prima facie* evidence on which the registration of a motor vehicle dealer, manufacturer, boat dealer, salvage dealer or title service agent will be denied because of lack of good moral character if the applicant:

(A) Has ever been convicted in any federal or state court of a felony relating to the acquisition or transfer of motor vehicles, trailers, motor vehicle parts or boats;

(B) Within five (5) years preceding the application, has been convicted in any federal or state court of a felony, within the last three (3) years, or has been convicted in any federal or state court of a misdemeanor relating to the acquisition of or transfer of motor vehicles, trailers, motor vehicle parts or boats; and

(C) Within three (3) years preceding the application, has been convicted in any federal or state court of a misdemeanor, or has shown contempt of laws in civil or administrative proceedings; or has had a motor vehicle dealer registration, manufacturer registration, boat dealer registration, salvage dealer registration or title service agent registration revoked in this or another state and has demonstrated through conduct since the date of the occurrence that no substantial improvement in character or reliability has occurred. A determination by the director of revenue that conduct subsequent to the occurrence in question demonstrated a failure to improve character or reliability will be made only following a notice to the applicant and a subsequent hearing before the director of revenue or his/her representative.

(2) Any dealer or applicant who receives notice of denial or revocation and desires to contest the *prima facie* of the fact(s) recited in subsection (1)(A) or (B) may request a hearing for the purpose of showing substantial rehabilitation or improvement in character sufficient to rebut the presumption created by the cited subsections. Request for a hearing should be submitted to the Director, Motor Vehicle and Driver's Licensing Division, P.O. Box 629, Jefferson City, MO 65105.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.114, 301.221 and 301.251, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Oct. 15, 1984, effective Feb. 11, 1985.*



Amended: Filed June 4, 1986, effective Aug. 25, 1986.

*Original authority 301.114, RSMo 1984; 301.221, RSMo 1979, amended 1986; and 301.251, RSMo 1981, amended 1984, 1985, 1986.

12 CSR 10-23.170 Registration of Corporation Motor Vehicles/Emission System Inspection Areas

(Rescinded November 30, 2007)

AUTHORITY: sections 137.095, 301.025, 301.130 and 307.366, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Jan. 8, 1985, effective June 13, 1985. Rescinded: Filed May 23, 2007, effective Nov. 30, 2007.

12 CSR 10-23.180 Replacement Vehicle Identification Plates

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the issuance of replacement vehicle identification number plates stamped with the original vehicle identification number assigned by the manufacturer of the motor vehicle or trailer by the Department of Revenue.

(1) Upon certified application, the Department of Revenue may authorize the issuance of one (1) metal replacement vehicle identification number (VIN) plate with the original VIN stamped on the plate. The plate will be designed by the department in order to distinguish the replacement plate from the original plate. Before the issuance of any replacement plate, a physical inspection of the vehicle to determine the true and complete VIN must be made by an officer of a law enforcement agency approved by the Department of Revenue for that purpose. The inspecting officer shall certify the inspection in the appropriate place on the application and may retain a copy.

(2) After the replacement VIN plate is issued, the Department of Revenue will forward a copy of the application for replacement VIN (see 12 CSR 10-23.426) plate accompanied by the replacement plate itself to the original inspecting law enforcement agency who will make contact with the vehicle owner.

(3) The attachment of the replacement plate to the vehicle must be made by or under the supervision of the original inspecting law enforcement officer. A certification attesting to the attachment of the plate shall be made on a copy of the application by the officer and the copy will then be returned by the officer to the Department of Revenue. No replace-

ment VIN plate other than one provided by the Department of Revenue shall be affixed to any motor vehicle or trailer.

(4) The fee for the replacement VIN plate will be seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50).

AUTHORITY: section 301.300, RSMo 1986.* Original rule filed July 31, 1985, effective Nov. 28, 1985.

*Original authority: 301.300, RSMo 1939, amended 1941, 1947, 1981, 1984, 1988, 1990.

12 CSR 10-23.185 Obscene License Plates

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the guidelines for issuing personalized motor vehicle license plates.

(1) Language or symbols which are obscene or profane are not protected by the United States or Missouri Constitution. The language or symbols shall not be allowed on any personalized motor vehicle license plate issued under the provisions of section 301.144, RSMo. In determining whether or not requests for personalized motor vehicle license plates contain language or symbols which are obscene or profane, the Department of Revenue will use the standards in section (2).

(2) The following terms, as used in this rule, shall be defined as follows:

(A) Obscene—Language or symbols which represent or describe ultimate excretory functions or sexual acts in a patently offensive manner or make lewd reference to the male or female sexual organs and appeal to the prurient interests of the average person applying contemporary community standards (see *Miller v. California*, 415 U.S. 15, 93 S.Ct. 2607 (1973)). Prurient interests, as used in this definition, shall mean shameful or morbid interest in nudity, sex or excretion that goes substantially beyond customary limits or candor in description or representation of these matters (see *Haldeman v. United States*, C.A. Kan., 340 F2d 59 (10th Cir., 1965)); and

(B) Profane—Language or symbols which are irreverent or contemptuous of things regarded as sacred or that imply divine condemnation (see *Baker v. State*, 16 Ariz. App. 463, 494 P2d, 68 (1972) and *Duncan v. United States*, 48 F2d 128 (9th Cir., 1931)).

(3) No motor vehicle license plate will be issued by the Department of Revenue if the language or symbols on the plate are obscene or profane. In order to make this determina-

tion, the Department of Revenue will look to the way the average person applying contemporary community standards would view the license plate. Factors which the Department of Revenue may consider in this regard include, but are not limited to:

(A) An explanation by the registrant as to why s/he chose particular language or symbols to be on his/her personalized motor vehicle license plate;

(B) Complaints from the public regarding a license plate with the same letters, numbers or symbols as that requested or held by the registrant;

(C) Complaints from the public regarding a license plate with similar letters, numbers or symbols as that requested or held by the registrant;

(D) Dictionary definitions of the language or symbols requested by the registrant; and

(E) Information from other states regarding motor vehicle plates which have not been issued by them because they found them to be obscene or profane.

(4) The Department of Revenue shall recall any personalized motor vehicle license plate which it has already issued if it determines that a plate is obscene or profane.

AUTHORITY: section 301.144, RSMo Supp. 1991.* Original rule filed Jan. 6, 1986, effective April 11, 1986. Emergency amendment filed Jan. 2, 1992, effective Jan. 12, 1992, expired May 10, 1992. Amended: Filed Jan. 2, 1992, effective May 14, 1992.

*Original authority: 301.144, RSMo 1977, amended 1979, 1983, 1984, 1989.



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
 MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU
**APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF VEHICLE
 IDENTIFICATION NUMBER PLATE**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE			
VALIDATION ONLY			
REGISTERED OWNER (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)			
STREET, R.R. OR P.O. BOX NUMBER			COUNTY
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE			TELEPHONE NUMBER
YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
MISSOURI TITLE NUMBER	LICENSE NUMBER	LOSS OF VIN PLATE REPORT TO:	DATE
REASON REQUIRED			
<input type="checkbox"/> LOST <input type="checkbox"/> STOLEN <input type="checkbox"/> MUTILATED <input type="checkbox"/> DESTROYED			
I certify that the statements above are true and that I am the registered owner of the above described vehicle.			
NOTARY SEAL		APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE	
		SWORN TO AND DESCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS	
		DAY OF _____, 19__	
		NOTARY PUBLIC	COMMISSION EXPIRATION
I certify that on _____ I physically inspected the above described vehicle after the applicant provided satisfactory proof of ownership and found the vehicle identification number to be:			
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY			FILE NUMBER
INSPECTING OFFICER			BADGE NUMBER
I certify that on _____ I did affix the replacement vehicle identification plate number _____ issued by the Department of Revenue to the above vehicle.			
INSERT NUMBER			
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY			
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER			BADGE NUMBER

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12 CSR 10-23.190 Temporary Permits Sold by a Registered Missouri Motor Vehicle Dealer
(Moved to 12 CSR 10-26.180)

12 CSR 10-23.200 Nonnegotiable Certificate of Title to a Motor Vehicle or Trailer
(Rescinded September 9, 1993)

AUTHORITY: sections 301.010, 301.190 and 301.300, RSMo Supp. 1990. Original rule filed Jan. 17, 1986, effective May 29, 1986. Amended: Filed Nov. 12, 1991, effective March 9, 1992. Rescinded: Filed March 24, 1993, effective Sept. 9, 1993.

12 CSR 10-23.210 Congressional Medal of Honor License Plates

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies procedures for issuance of Congressional Medal of Honor license plates.

(1) Congressional Medal of Honor license plates are Missouri license plates containing letters or numbers or combinations of letters and numbers which may be established by the director of revenue.

(2) The license plates shall bear the words CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR in blue lettering on two (2) lines with letters approximately one inch (1") in height on a white background. Immediately to the left of these words shall appear a one (1) or two (2) digit number. The upper left-hand corner of the plate will bear a reproduction of the Congressional Medal of Honor in gold. On the top of the license plate shall appear the words MISSOURI and JUL.

(3) Congressional Medal of Honor license plates will be issued only to recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and may be issued to any motor vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle licensed for more than twelve thousand pounds (12,000 lbs.).

(4) Congressional Medal of Honor license plates shall be issued only to motor vehicles which are owned solely or jointly by recipients of the medal.

(5) Any person desiring to obtain Congressional Medal of Honor license plates must make application for the set of two (2) plates.

(6) Each initial application for Congressional Medal of Honor plates shall be submitted to the Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 100,

Jefferson City, MO 65105 and shall be accompanied by a letter from the United States Veterans Administration verifying the person was a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor. Upon approval, Congressional Medal of Honor license plates will be issued from the Motor Vehicle Bureau Central Office. Subsequent annual renewal may be accomplished at any branch or fee agent office statewide.

(7) Applicants for Congressional Medal of Honor license plates shall be required to comply with all Missouri laws and rules relating to the titling and registration of motor vehicles.

(8) Applications for renewal of Congressional Medal of Honor license plates shall be filed with the Department of Revenue prior to the last regular work day of July each year.

(9) Each person qualifying for a Congressional Medal of Honor license plate may license only one (1) motor vehicle with a Congressional Medal of Honor license plate.

(10) There shall be no fee charged for a Congressional Medal of Honor license plate.

AUTHORITY: section 301.145, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed Jan. 22, 1986, effective May 11, 1986. Amended: Filed Nov. 13, 1986, effective Feb. 28, 1987.*

**Original authority: 301.145, RSMo 1986.*

12 CSR 10-23.220 Motor Vehicle Fee and Tax Refund Requests
(Rescinded November 30, 2007)

AUTHORITY: section 144.270, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed March 3, 1986, effective June 28, 1986. Amended: Filed Nov. 18, 1986, effective March 12, 1987. Rescinded: Filed May 23, 2007, effective Nov. 30, 2007.

12 CSR 10-23.230 Legal Sale of Motor Vehicle or Trailer

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies that, as of August 28, 1989, the form of warranty prescribed by the director of revenue for assignments of title to motor vehicles does not require acknowledgment of the transferor's signature by a notary public. In addition, this rule clarifies that assignments of title made on or after August 28, 1989, which do not include a notarial acknowledgment of the transferor's signature, are not procedurally defective.

(1) Any assignment of a motor vehicle or trailer certificate of title made on or after August 28, 1989, and before February 11, 1991, is not procedurally defective by reason of the transferor's signature not being acknowledged by a notary public.

(2) Beginning on August 28, 1989, an assignment of a certificate of title does not require an acknowledgment of the transferor's signature by a notary public. As of that date, the form of warranty of title prescribed by the director of revenue for the proper assignment of certificate of title pursuant to section 301.210, RSMo removed any requirement that the transferor's signature be notarized.

AUTHORITY: section 301.210, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed March 3, 1986, effective June 28, 1986. Emergency rescission filed Jan. 3, 1991, effective Jan. 13, 1991, expired May 13, 1991. Rescinded: Filed Jan. 3, 1991, effective June 10, 1991. Emergency rule filed Feb. 1, 1991, effective Feb. 11, 1991, expired June 10, 1991. Readopted: Filed Feb. 1, 1991, effective June 10, 1991.*

**Original authority: 301.210, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1984, 1991.*

12 CSR 10-23.240 Recording of Mileage on an Application for Certificate of Title
(Rescinded July 8, 1991)

AUTHORITY: sections 301.190, 301.210 and 407.536, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed March 3, 1986, effective June 28, 1986. Amended: Filed Dec. 2, 1986, effective March 12, 1987. Rescinded: Filed Feb. 15 1991, effective July 8, 1991.

12 CSR 10-23.250 Registration and Classification of Commercial Motor Vehicles

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the requirements for the registration and classification of commercial motor vehicles.

(1) The intended usage of a motor vehicle shall determine how a vehicle is to be registered unless the registration is otherwise defined by statute. An applicant shall designate at the time of registration the type of usage for which the vehicle shall be principally used.

(2) A commercial motor vehicle is a motor vehicle designed for or regularly used for carrying freight and merchandise or more than eight (8) persons, excepting vanpools or shuttle buses. Commercial use of the vehicle



shall be presumed where the vehicle is regularly used for the carrying of freight or persons for more than fifty percent (50%) of the driving time or mileage of the vehicle.

(3) The registrant of a van, truck or station wagon who registers the vehicle as non-commercial shall provide the department with a notarized affidavit that the commercial use of the motor vehicle comprises less than fifty percent (50%) of the use of the vehicle.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.010, 301.020 and 301.030, RSMo 1986.* Original rule filed March 3, 1986, effective June 28, 1986.

*Original authority: 301.010, RSMo 1939, amended 1945, 1949, 1951, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1980, 1983, 1983, 1985, 1986, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989; 301.020, RSMo 1939, amended 1943, 1945, 1949, 1957, 1969, 1985, 1986, 1988, 1988, 1989; and 301.030, RSMo 1947, amended 1951, 1965, 1974, 1983, 1986.

12 CSR 10-23.255 Issuance of New and Replacement Vehicle Identification Numbers

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the issuance of a Department of Revenue vehicle identification number to motor vehicles and trailers which were never assigned a vehicle identification number plate by their manufacturer; have had a number destroyed, removed, covered or altered; or were reconstructed with various major component parts of other motor vehicles or trailers which have conflicting or different vehicle identification numbers.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) Upon certified application, the department may authorize the issuance of one (1) adhesive vehicle identification number (VIN) known as a DR number which shall be affixed by authorized law enforcement in an upright position to the inside facing of the driver's door adjacent to the number it is replacing on a motor vehicle; on the front fork of a motorcycle; or in a prominent, upright position on the left side of the tongue

of a trailer; which shall serve as the VIN of the motor vehicle or trailer.

(2) The Department of Revenue (department) shall require an inspection before issuing a DR number to a motor vehicle by an officer of a law enforcement agency approved by the department. The inspecting officer shall certify the inspection on a Vehicle Examination Certificate provided by the department. If the Vehicle Examination Certificate indicates conflicting VINs for the public VIN and the police VIN, and at least three (3) or more new or used major component parts have been used in reconstructing the vehicle, the department will issue a DR number for the inspecting officer to affix to the motor vehicle as described in section (1). If a DR number is required but the applicant has not rebuilt or reconstructed the vehicle, the inspection may be completed on an Application for Vehicle/Trailer Identification Number Plate or Verification. The Vehicle Examination Certificate (revised 4-04) and the Application for Vehicle/Trailer Identification Number Plate or Verification (published 4-06), which have been incorporated by reference, are published by the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100. These forms do not include any amendments or additions to the revision/publication dates shown. The Vehicle Examination Certificate is available at all contract offices and the department's central office, or by mailing a written request to the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100. The Application for Vehicle/Trailer Identification Number Plate or Verification is available at all contract offices and the department's central office, or may be ordered at <http://www.dort.mo.gov/mvdl/formorder/> or by mailing a written request to the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100.

(3) Before issuance of a DR number to the owner of a manufactured trailer, the need for a DR number must be established through inspection of the trailer by an officer of a law enforcement agency approved by the department. The inspecting officer shall certify the inspection on an Application for Vehicle/Trailer Identification Number Plate or Verification provided by the department. If the manufactured trailer does not have a VIN, the department will issue, upon certified application for title by the owner, a DR number for the trailer. The DR number shall be affixed by authorized law enforcement as described in section (1).

(4) If an inspection of a motor vehicle or trailer reveals the public number has been destroyed, removed, covered, altered, or defaced but the confidential number assigned by the manufacturer can be located, the department will issue a replacement number containing the original VIN assigned by the manufacturer.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.020, RSMo Supp. 2006 and 301.380, RSMo 2000.* Original rule filed March 21, 1986, effective July 11, 1986. Amended: Filed Oct. 6, 2006, effective April 30, 2007.

*Original authority 301.020, RSMo 1939, amended 1943, 1945, 1949, 1957, 1969, 1985, 1986, 1988, 1988, 1989, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2004, 2005; and 301.380, RSMo 1939, amended 1945, 1949, 1984, 1998.

12 CSR 10-23.260 Inspection of Foreign Motor Vehicles Prior to Titling

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the procedures for issuance of Missouri certificates of title to foreign motor vehicles not specifically manufactured for importation into this country.

Editor's Note: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of this rule in its entirety would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. The entire text of the material referenced has been filed with the secretary of state. This material may be found at the Office of the Secretary of State or at the headquarters of the agency and is available to any interested person at a cost established by state law.

(1) Some vehicles are not manufactured for importation into the United States. In order for a certificate of title to be issued, the department requires any motor vehicle imported by a registered Missouri motor vehicle dealer, or an individual, which vehicle is not manufactured for importation into the United States, to be inspected by a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. At the time of the inspection, the Missouri State Highway Patrol will complete a Vehicle Examination Certificate, DOR Form 551. This form indicates that the vehicle identification number has been verified and is correct.

(2) Some motor vehicles which are purchased by Missouri residents in another country and imported into the United States are manufactured for importation into the United States and conform to all legal standards. The



ownership document for these vehicles is usually a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin similar to the type issued for a motor vehicle constructed by an American manufacturer.

(A) Any application for title to a motor vehicle imported into the United States which is accompanied by a Manufacturer's Statement of Origin need not be accompanied by a DOR Form 551(B). If problems are encountered at the time the application is entered into the Department of Revenue's computer, the central office will inform the applicant to contact the Missouri State Highway Patrol to request that they inspect the vehicle and complete a Vehicle Examination Certificate.

AUTHORITY: section 301.190, RSMo 1986.
Original rule filed March 21, 1986, effective July 11, 1986.*

**Original authority: 301.190, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1965, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.*



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU
**VEHICLE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE
AND AFFIDAVIT**

FORM
551
(REV. 4-89)

RETURN TO:
Missouri Department of Revenue
Motor Vehicle Bureau
P. O. Box 3325
Jefferson City, Missouri 65105-3325
Phone (314) - 751-2609

1. APPLICANT'S NAME			VALIDATION ONLY			
2. STREET ADDRESS						
3. CITY	4. STATE	5. ZIP CODE	6. TELEPHONE NUMBER ()		7. SALVAGE BUSINESS NO. (IF APPLICABLE)	

8. CHECK WHICH OF THE PARTS LISTED BELOW WERE INSTALLED ON THE MOTOR VEHICLE AND FILL IN THE REQUESTED INFORMATION FOR EACH. PHOTOCOPIES OF THE FRONT AND BACK OF THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE OR JUNKING CERTIFICATE TO THE VEHICLE(S) FROM WHICH EACH OF THE PARTS LISTED BELOW WERE TAKEN MUST BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH CORRESPONDING DESCRIPTIVE, NOTARIZED BILLS OF SALE. (EXCEPT MOTOR/ENGINE AND TRANSMISSION)

PARTS	YEAR	MAKE	SERIAL NUMBER	TITLE NUMBER	STATE
<input type="checkbox"/> COWL					
<input type="checkbox"/> REAR CLIP					
<input type="checkbox"/> FRAME					
<input type="checkbox"/> BODY					
<input type="checkbox"/> CAB					
<input type="checkbox"/> FRONT CLIP					
<input type="checkbox"/> FRONT-END ASSEMBLY					
<input type="checkbox"/> MOTOR/ENGINE					
<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSMISSION					

9. LIST ANY OTHER ESSENTIAL PARTS SUCH AS BUMPER, HOOD, FENDER, GRILLE, TRUNK LID, DOORS AND ATTACH CORRESPONDING BILLS OF SALE.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. IF A "DR" NUMBER IS ASSIGNED, I FURTHER PLEDGE THAT THIS NUMBER SHALL BE AFFIXED TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE, AS DIRECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, WITHIN FIVE DAYS AFTER ASSIGNMENT.

10. SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT
X

NOTARY PUBLIC EMBOSSEER SEAL	STATE OF	COUNTY (OR CITY OF ST. LOUIS)
	SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME, THIS	
	DAY OF	19
	USE RUBBER STAMP IN CLEAR AREA BELOW.	
NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE	MY COMMISSION EXPIRES	
NOTARY PUBLIC NAME (TYPED OR PRINTED)		

FOR AUTHORIZED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY USE ONLY - DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

11. MAKE	12. YEAR	13. PUBLIC VIN	YEAR
14. MILEAGE	15. CYL.	15. POLICE VIN	YEAR
17. MODEL	18. ENGINE VIN		YEAR
19. COLOR	20. TRANSMISSION VIN		YEAR
21. BODY STYLE	22. EPA STICKER		YEAR

23. CHECK WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING PARTS WERE CHANGED
 COWL REAR CLIP FRAME BODY CAB FRONT CLIP FRONT-END ASSEMBLY MOTOR/ENGINE

24. THIS VEHICLE IS A NON-USA STD MOTOR VEHICLE (CHECK IF APPLICABLE)

25. REMARKS (USE ADDITIONAL SHEET OF PAPER IF NECESSARY)

26. I CERTIFY TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THAT MY PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF THIS VEHICLE ON _____, 19____ DISCLOSED THAT NO PERTINENT SERIAL NUMBERED PARTS OR VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS CAME FROM OR BELONG TO STOLEN VEHICLES. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION IN ITEMS 11 THRU 25 IS TRUE AND ACCURATE IN FORM AND CONTENT.

27. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY	28. FILE NUMBER
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PLEASE REVIEW THE DEFINITIONS BELOW TO DETERMINE HOW YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE WILL BE CLASSIFIED AND TITLED.

REBUILT MOTOR VEHICLE - A motor vehicle which has been repaired or restored to its original appearance and design by means of repaired sheet metal and/or by replacement of new or major parts such as the bumper, hood, fender, grille, trunk lid, and doors of the same vehicle make, model, or description excluding major component parts (see definition of major component parts below). An original Missouri certificate of title will be issued for a rebuilt motor vehicle which conforms to this definition.

RECONSTRUCTED MOTOR VEHICLE - A vehicle that is altered from its original construction by the addition or substitution of two or more new or used major component parts, excluding motor vehicles made from all new parts, and new multistage manufactured vehicles.

MOTOR CHANGE MOTOR VEHICLE - A vehicle manufactured prior to August, 1957, which receives a new, rebuilt or used engine, and which used the number stamped on the original engine as the vehicle identification number.

SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED MOTOR VEHICLE - A motor vehicle which has not been originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model, or type by a manufacturer of motor vehicles (EXAMPLE - DUNE BUGGY). The term "specially constructed motor vehicle" includes kit vehicles. The Missouri Certificate of Title issued will be stamped "Specially Constructed".

KIT MOTOR VEHICLE - A motor vehicle assembled by a person other than a generally recognized manufacturer of motor vehicles by the use of a "glider kit" or replica purchased from an authorized manufacturer and accompanied by a manufacturer's statement of origin. The "kit" may include the cab, drive train, etc. The Missouri Certificate of Title issued will be stamped "Specially Constructed."

NON-USA-STD MOTOR VEHICLE - A motor vehicle not originally manufactured in compliance with United States emissions or safety standards.

MAJOR COMPONENT PARTS - Include the following parts of a motor vehicle: rear clip, cowl, frame, front end assembly, front clip, body and cab.

MAJOR COMPONENT PARTS

- I. **FRONT-END ASSEMBLY** - An entire unit consisting of that portion of the body from the firewall forward, i.e., hood, both fenders, inner skirt of fenders, radiator or core support, and grille.
- II. **FRONT CLIP** - All parts of the front-end assembly plus complete cowl. It may include instrumentation and steering column. It requires cutting of vehicle floor and windshield post.
- III. **CAB** - The passenger compartment of a common truck. It is a one-piece sheet metal construction which may or may not include glass, instrumentation, steering column, and seat.
- IV. **REAR CLIP** - The complete rear sheet metal assembly formed by severing the vehicle across the floor and either through the windshield post or through the rear window post.
- V. **COWL** - The sheet metal formed by severing the vehicle across the floor in the vicinity of the front seat and severing the windshield posts. It does not include parts forward of the firewall. If a cowl is included as an integrated part of a front clip, front-end assembly, or rear clip, it will not be considered a major component part for the purpose of determining the number of such parts used in reconstructing a vehicle.
- VI. **FRAME** - The steel basic structure which runs the entire length of some vehicles and onto which the suspension parts are bolted to the lower side and the body is bolted to the top side. Unibody vehicles do not have this type of frame.
- VII. **BODY** - The shell, either of a unibody or frame-type passenger vehicle, which consists of a one-piece, integrated sheet metal construction extending from the firewall back. The body includes a cowl but not a front-end assembly. It may or may not include an interior, doors, and deck lid.

These definitions are provided for general reference only. They are subject to change. The Department of Revenue's current Administrative Rule on this subject shall control.



12 CSR 10-23.265 Statements of Non-Interest

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the requirements to retitle when an assignment of title is erroneously completed.

(1) Whenever an assignment of title is erroneously completed or the sale of the vehicle is not consummated within sixty (60) days after the assignment of title, the seller of the vehicle must comply with one (1) of the requirements outlined as follows:

(A) If the seller of the vehicle is not a Missouri registered motor vehicle dealer, the seller of the vehicle must obtain a duplicate certificate of title from this department before the ownership of the vehicle may be transferred to another individual. The seller will be required to submit the following documents in order to obtain the duplicate title:

1. Application for Duplicate Title, DOR-108;

2. The mutilated certificate of title;

3. A statement signed by the seller and the individual (purchaser) to whom the vehicle was assigned stating the date and reason the sale was not completed;

4. A statement from any lienholder which may have been recorded in the assignment of title; and

5. Required duplicate title fee;

(B) If the seller of the vehicle is a Missouri registered motor vehicle dealer, the dealership will not be required to obtain a duplicate certificate of title in the previous owner's name but will be required to obtain an original title in the name of the dealership before the ownership of the vehicle may be transferred to another individual or dealership. The dealership will be required to submit the following documents in order to obtain the original title:

1. Application for Title, DOR-108;

2. The mutilated certificate of title;

3. A statement signed by a representative of the dealership and the individual (purchaser) to whom the vehicle was assigned stating the date and reason the sale was not completed;

4. A statement from any lienholder which may have been recorded in the assignment of title; and

5. Required title fee; and

(C) If the assignment of title by the dealership occurred on an original certificate of title issued in the name of that dealership, the dealership would be required to make an application for duplicate title as required in subsection (1)(A).

(2) If the sale of the vehicle is rescinded within sixty (60) days from the date of vehicle purchase, the purchaser/seller may apply for a refund of any taxes paid on the acquisition of the vehicle within one (1) year after the payment of taxes.

(3) This rule applies to Certificates of Title issued by Missouri as well as other states. It does not affect assignments of ownership on Manufacturers' Statements of Origin.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.190, and 301.210, RSMo Supp. 1998. Original rule filed March 21, 1986, effective July 26, 1986. Amended: Filed June 30, 1999, effective Dec. 30, 1999.*

**Original authority: 301.190, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1965, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1997 and 301.210, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1984, 1991, 1997.*

12 CSR 10-23.270 Watercraft and Outboard Motor Identification Numbers

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the procedures for issuance of watercraft and outboard motor identification Numbers.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) The Department of Revenue (department) shall require an inspection before issuing a new or replacement identification number for a watercraft or outboard motor by an officer of a law enforcement agency approved by the department. The inspection shall be completed on a Watercraft and/or Outboard Motor Affidavit of Ownership and Inspection provided by the department. The Watercraft and/or Outboard Motor Affidavit of Ownership and Inspection (revised July 2004), which has been incorporated by reference, is published by the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100. The form does not include any amendments or additions to the July 2004 revision. The form is available at all con-

tract offices and the department's central office, or may be ordered at <http://www.dort.mo.gov/mvdl/formorder/> or by mailing a written request to the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100.

(2) If the physical inspection of the watercraft discloses that the watercraft is homemade, the assigned identification number will begin with the prefix MOZ followed by a five (5) digit control number, the letter corresponding to the month of issuance, one (1) digit year the number was issued, and the two (2) digit model year of the watercraft (if unknown, the year of the inspection).

(3) If the physical inspection of the watercraft or outboard motor discloses the true and complete identification number, the assigned identification number will contain the same identification number as placed on the watercraft or outboard motor by the manufacturer.

(4) If the physical inspection of the watercraft discloses that the watercraft is manufactured and the true and complete identification number cannot be determined, the assigned identification number will begin with the prefix MOZA followed by a four (4) digit control number, the letter corresponding to the month of issuance, one (1) digit year the number was issued, and the two (2) digit model year of the watercraft (if unknown, the year of the inspection).

(5) If the physical inspection of the outboard motor discloses that the outboard motor is homemade, or manufactured and the true and complete identification number cannot be determined, the assigned identification number will begin with OB, followed by a four (4) digit number, two (2) digit year the plate was issued, and MO.

(6) After the identification number is issued, the identification number must be affixed on or within three feet (3') of the transom or stern of the watercraft or on the outboard motor below the motor cover and above the waterline.

AUTHORITY: sections 306.030 RSMo Supp. 2006 and 306.031, RSMo 2000. Emergency rule filed March 17, 1986, effective March 27, 1986, expired July 25, 1986. Original rule filed March 17, 1986, effective June 28, 1986. Amended: Filed Oct. 6, 2006, effective April 30, 2007.*

**Original authority: 306.030, RSMo 1959, amended 1969, 1975, 1985, 1995, 2006; and 306.031, RSMo 1995, amended 1997.*



12 CSR 10-23.275 Recognition of Nonresident Disabled Person Windshield Placards

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the criteria by which Missouri will recognize and honor vehicles displaying disabled person windshield placards or disabled emblems issued to resident or nonresident operators of these vehicles by the United States government, another state, District of Columbia, or territory or possession of the United States.

(1) Missouri shall honor disabled person windshield placards or federally issued disabled emblems displayed in or on vehicles of resident or nonresident operators at all times when the vehicles are operated by residents or nonresidents within this state and specifically when the vehicles are located in parking spaces designated for the disabled. The following conditions apply:

(A) The vehicle shall be duly registered for the current year in its respective state, District of Columbia, or territory or possession of the United States;

(B) The operator of the vehicle shall comply with the provisions of section 301.143, RSMo, which allows political subdivisions of Missouri to designate parking spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying a distinguishing disabled person windshield placard; and

(C) Nothing in this rule, in any way, shall be interpreted to allow a resident or nonresident operator of a vehicle displaying a disabled person windshield placard or federally issued disabled emblem to violate any state statute or lawful political subdivision's ordinances governing parking of vehicles within the boundaries of the political subdivision.

AUTHORITY: sections 301.142, RSMo Supp. 2001 and 301.271, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed April 21, 1986, effective Aug. 11, 1986. Amended: Filed Nov. 12, 1991, effective March 9, 1992. Amended: Filed Sept. 27, 2001, effective March 30, 2002.*

**Original authority: 301.142, RSMo 1977, amended 1981, 1982, 1983, 1986, 1987, 1991, 1995, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001 and 301.271, RSMo 1958.*

12 CSR 10-23.280 Replacement of Multiyear License Plates

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the procedures for replacement of multiyear license plates.

(1) In January 1979 the Department of Revenue began issuing multiyear license plates. The categories of multiyear license plates

are: passenger; recreational vehicle; motorcycle; motortricycle; commercial motor vehicles licensed as Local (L) 6000 and 12,000, Beyond Local (BL) 9000, BL 6000 and 12,000; shuttle bus; and van pool. These license plates were subjected to manufacturing processes which guarantee a minimum useful life of five (5) years. Holders of multiyear license plates issued at least five (5) years previously may be issued new license plates upon the payment of the annual registration (renewal) fee subject to the procedures outlined that follow:

(A) If the owner of multiyear license plates requests new plates upon renewal and surrenders the old license plates, new license plates from the office's current inventory stock may be issued upon the payment of only the appropriate renewal fee;

(B) If the owner of multiyear license plates requests new plates upon renewal, but refuses to surrender the old license plates in his/her possession, new license plates from the office's current inventory stock may be issued upon the payment of the appropriate regular registration fee and the failure to renew fee;

(C) If the owner of multiyear license plates requests new license plates upon renewal, but declares that s/he cannot surrender his/her old license plates because they were lost, stolen or destroyed, the applicant must complete an application for replacement plates and pay the appropriate replacement plate charge in addition to the regular registration fee. The applicant will be issued validation tabs from the current inventory stock and a replacement permit and receipt. The replacement plates will be manufactured with the same configuration as the original plates and will be mailed to the applicant. The applicant will affix the new validation tabs to the replacement plates when they are received by him/her;

(D) If the owner of multiyear license plates requests new plates at any time other than during the month of renewal because the license plates currently on the vehicle are at least five (5) years old, s/he may be issued replacement plates at no fee; however, the applicant must surrender the damaged license plates. The applicant will be issued replacement tabs and a replacement permit and receipt. The replacement plates will be manufactured with the same configuration as the original plates and mailed to the applicant;

(E) If the owner of multiyear license plates which are at least five (5) years old, purchases another vehicle and does not wish to transfer the license plates, the applicant may pay the appropriate transfer fee, surrender the old plates and be issued replacement

plates at no fee. The applicant will be issued replacement tabs, a replacement permit and receipt. The replacement plates will be manufactured with the same configuration as the original plates and mailed to the applicant;

(F) If the owner of multiyear license plates, which are at least five (5) years old, purchases another vehicle but does not wish to transfer the old license plates and refuses to surrender them, s/he may be issued a new set of license plates from the branch or fee agent office's current inventory stock. S/he will be required to pay the appropriate registration fee and the failure to transfer fee; and

(G) If the owner of multiyear license plates, which are at least five (5) years old, has only one (1) license plate to surrender and declares the other license plate was lost, stolen or destroyed, s/he may be issued a new set of multiyear license plates under the procedures established in subsection (1)(A) of this rule. The applicant will not be required to pay the failure to renew fee or apply for one (1) replacement plate.

(2) An owner of multiyear license plates, which are less than five (5) years old, who either refuses to renew or to transfer the plates will be issued new plates, be charged the appropriate renewal fee and be charged either a failure to renew or failure to transfer fee, whichever is applicable.

AUTHORITY: section 301.130, RSMo 1986. Original rule filed April 21, 1986, effective Aug. 11, 1986.*

**Original authority: 301.130, RSMo 1939, amended 1947, 1949, 1951, 1969, 1977, 1981, 1983, 1986.*

12 CSR 10-23.285 Titling of Motor Vehicles Sold Without Safety Inspections
(Rescinded November 30, 2007)

AUTHORITY: section 307.380, RSMo Supp. 1987. Original rule filed April 21, 1986, effective Aug. 11, 1986. Rescinded: Filed May 23, 2007, effective Nov. 30, 2007.

12 CSR 10-23.290 Use of License Plates After Name Change

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies when continued use of previously issued license plates is permissible by providing examples of various name-change situations.

(1) In title transactions which involve a name change only, with no change of ownership, the owner may change the name on the certificate of title and continue to use the same