Rules of
Department of Public Safety
Division 50—Missouri State Highway Patrol
Chapter 7—Vessel Identification Number and Expiration Sticker Placement

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11 CSR 50-7.010 Display of Identification Numbers

PURPOSE: The Missouri State Highway Patrol shall establish a uniform manner of displaying identification numbers for motorboats and vessels as prescribed in section 306.030, RSMo.

(1) The identification number awarded to a boat or vessel is to be painted on or attached to each side of the forward half of the vessel in a position to provide clear legibility, that is, dark numbers on a light background or light numbers on a dark background providing a sharp contrast in color.

(2) The identification numbers shall read from left to right and shall be in block characters of good proportions not less than three inches (3") in height. The numbers are to be divided into parts with the letters, prefix and suffix, separated from the numbers by two-inch (2") spaces. A hyphen may be placed within the two-inch (2") space.

(3) No number other than the identification number awarded to a boat or vessel or granted reciprocity may be painted, attached, or otherwise displayed on either side of the bow of the boat or vessel.


11 CSR 50-7.020 Display of Expiration (Renewal) Stickers


(1) The expiration (renewal) stickers awarded to a boat or vessel shall be attached to each side of the forward half of the vessel directly below the identification number.
