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12 CSR 10-23.070 Regulation of Dealer License Plates
(Rescinded February 29, 2012)


12 CSR 10-23.090 Back the Blue Special Plate Donation Processing

PURPOSE: This rule codifies Back the Blue Special Plate Donation procedures authorized in Section 301.3175, as amended by the 101st General Assembly, TAFP HB 898.

(1) Payment of the initial ten-dollar ($10.00) contribution by registrants who do not present a receipt issued by the Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation may be made directly to the Department of Revenue, but no less frequently than twice each fiscal year.


*Original authority: 301.3175, RSMo 2019.

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.

(1) For the purpose of this rule, “special license plates” includes 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) Local and Beyond Local 24;
(J) Shuttle Bus—regular personalized plates only;
(K) Van Pool—regular personalized plates only; and
(L) 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 will 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 will 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 reserves 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) Special license plates issued to members of the United States Congress, Missouri State Senate, and Missouri House of Representatives; honorary consuls; 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 301.453, RSMo, will expire in January of each year. Passenger, RV, 6,000 and 12,000 lb. Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV), Shuttle Bus, Van Pool, and Personalized Historic special license plates will expire in July of each year. 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.

(8) Initial applications for special license plates will be made on appropriate forms and accompanied by any special license plate fee and additional documentation as 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) The director of revenue may recall any special license plate erroneously issued under this rule.

**12 CSR 10-23.100 Hearing Held Pursuant to Section 301.257, RSMo**

(Rescinded April 29, 1991)


**12 CSR 10-23.120 Business Records of Manufacturers, Dealers and Boat Dealers**

(Rescinded December 3, 1992)


**12 CSR 10-23.130 Legal Name on Title Application**

(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


**12 CSR 10-23.140 Motor Vehicle Title Services**

(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


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

(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


**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 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.


12 CSR 10-23.170 Registration of Corporation Motor Vehicles/Emission System Inspection Areas
(Rescinded November 30, 2007)


12 CSR 10-23.180 Replacement Vehicle Identification Plates
(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


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 determination, 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.


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:

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:

YEAR:               MAKE:         BODY STYLE:       VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

MISSOURI TITLE NUMBER:          LICENSE NUMBER:       LOSS OF VIN PLATE REPORT TO:

DATE:

REASON REQUIRED:
  [ ] LOST          [ ] STOLEN          [ ] MUTILATED          [ ] 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.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY:

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

BADGE NUMBER:

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(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)


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 shall 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.


*Original authority: 301.145, RSMo 1986.

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


12 CSR 10-23.230 Legal Sale of Motor Vehicle or Trailer  
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.240 Recording of Mileage on an Application for Certificate of Title  
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12 CSR 10-23.250 Registration and Classification of Commercial Motor Vehicles  
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.255 Issuance of New and Replacement Vehicle Identification Numbers  
(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.260 Inspection of Non-USA Standard 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.

(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. If questions 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.


**12 CSR 10-23.265 Statements of Non-Interest**

(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


**12 CSR 10-23.270 Watercraft and Outboard Motor Identification Numbers**

(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


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

(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


**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; motorcyclist; 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 six (6) years. Holders of multiyear license plates issued at least six (6) 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 fee in addition to the regular registration fee. The applicant may be issued new license plates from the office’s current inventory stock. Upon request, 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 six (6) years old, s/he may be issued replacement plates at no fee upon surrender of the damaged license plates. The applicant may be issued new license plates from the office’s current inventory stock. Upon request, owner 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 six (6) 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 six (6) 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 office’s current inventory stock upon payment of the appropriate registration fee and the failure to transfer fee; and

(G) If the owner of multiyear license plates, which are at least six (6) 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 six (6) 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.


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


12 CSR 10-23.290 Use of License Plates After Name Change
(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.295 Witnessing Proof of Federal Heavy Vehicle Use Tax Payment or Exemption

PURPOSE: Section 301.025, RSMo prohibits the director of revenue from registering any vehicle subject to Federal Heavy Vehicle Use Tax unless the applicant submits proof of payment or exemption. This rule clarifies what constitutes proof of payment or exemption of the Federal Heavy Vehicle Use Tax imposed by Section 4481 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(1) All applications (new or renewal) for a commercial motor vehicle registration with a licensed gross weight of sixty thousand ten pounds (60,010 lbs.) or above must be accompanied by proof that federal heavy vehicle use tax has been paid on the vehicle or that the vehicle is tax exempt. Acceptable proof includes:
   (A) Schedule 1 to the federal Heavy Highway Vehicle Use Tax Return, Form 2290 appropriately stamped paid or received by the Internal Revenue Service; or
   (B) A copy of the front and back of the applicant’s cancelled check made payable to the Internal Revenue Service for the heavy vehicle use tax and the applicant’s copy of Schedule 1 to Form 2290.

(2) Proof of tax payment or tax exemption is not required for—
   (A) Federal, state, city, and county owned vehicles;
   (B) Vehicles owned by the American National Red Cross, a nonprofit volunteer fire department, ambulance association, or rescue squad; or
   (C) Vehicles purchased no more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of application for registration.

(3) The Heavy Highway Vehicle Use Tax Return (FORM 2290) and the Schedule 1 to FORM 2290, may be obtained at www.irs.gov, or by phone at 1 (800) 829-3676, or at many Internal Revenue Service offices, post offices, and libraries.


12 CSR 10-23.300 Use of Local Commercial Motor Vehicle License Plates for Farm or For Farming Transportation Operations
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.305 No-Fee Transactions

PURPOSE: This rule establishes when the department may issue a no-fee basis, any replacement certificate of title, license plate or tab.

(1) When the department’s records indicate a certificate of title, license plate or tab was mailed to any applicant and the applicant contacts the department stating s/he did not receive the item in the mail, the department will issue a duplicate certificate of title, license plate or tab at no fee provided the applicant submits an application and a notarized affidavit to the department. This rule will apply if a certificate of title, license plate or tab was not received by the applicant within one (1) calendar year after the item was issued (mailed) by the department. After the one (1) calendar year period has elapsed, the applicant must submit the required documents and fee to obtain the duplicate title, replacement plates, tabs or plates and tabs.

(2) The application must be completed in its entirety. The affidavit must state that the certificate of title, license plate or tab was not received by the applicant and, if the item is received at a later date, it will be returned to the department immediately.

AUTHORITY: section 136.030, RSMo 1986.*


12 CSR 10-23.310 Issuance of Special Fuel Decals

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the procedures for issuance of special fuel decals.

(1) The owners of the motor vehicles powered by liquefied petroleum (LP) gas, natural gas or electricity annually shall purchase a special fuel decal prior to January 31 and pay the annual decal fee set by law. For motor vehicles obtained and converted to run on LP gas, natural gas or electricity after January 31 of any year, the decal fee shall be reduced by one-twelfth (1/12) for each month which has elapsed since the beginning of the year. The owner of any vehicle that was titled, registered and equipped to run on LP gas, natural gas or electricity as of January 31 shall pay the full year’s fee.

(A) Example A: An applicant has May plates on a vehicle equipped to run on LP gas and applies for a special fuel decal during February of the following year. The full fee is due.

(B) Example B: An applicant purchases a vehicle equipped to run on LP gas in May and titles and registers his/her vehicle in the same month. The applicant will be issued a special fuel decal and the fee would be prorated over eight (8) months.

(C) Example C: An applicant owns a vehicle which has been previously titled and registered and converts it to use LP gas in May. The applicant will be issued a special fuel decal and the fee would be prorated over eight (8) months.

(2) The special fuel decal fee paid for each motor vehicle is transferable upon either a change of ownership of the motor vehicle or if the LP gas, natural gas or electrical equipment is removed from the vehicle by the seller upon change of ownership and is subsequently installed in another vehicle acquired or owned by the seller.

(A) When the ownership of a motor vehicle is transferred to another person, the decal issued to the motor vehicle will remain with the vehicle and shall be transferred to the new owner. The new owner shall complete a new application for the special fuel decal but no fee will be charged for the decal transfer.

(B) When LP gas equipment, natural gas equipment or electrical power equipment is
removed by the owner upon sale of the vehicle and later installed on another vehicle owned or purchased by the same individual, the special fuel decal may be transferred to the newly equipped vehicle. In order to receive credit, the owner will be required to remove the special fuel decal from the vehicle from which s/he removed the LP gas, natural gas or electrical power equipment and surrender the decal. The department’s fee agent and branch office employees will verify the removal of the decal and issue a replacement decal for the balance of the registration period at no fee.

(3) If a special fuel decal is lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed, the owner shall make application for a replacement decal and pay the replacement fee established by law.

(4) If an owner of a commercial motor vehicle powered by LP gas, natural gas or electricity wishes to change the licensed gross weight/zone of the commercial motor vehicle and that change puts the vehicle into an increased special fuel decal fee category, additional decal fees shall be collected. If the change of weight/zone would require a decrease in the decal fee from what was originally paid, no credit shall be allowed.


*Original authority: 142.611, RSMo 1972.

12 CSR 10-23.315 Motorized Bicycles
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.320 Assessment of Motor Vehicle and Trailer License Plate Transfer Fee

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies when a license plate transfer fee shall be assessed.

(1) When ownership of a registered motor vehicle or trailer is transferred, the original owner may register another motor vehicle or trailer under the same license plate number provided the owner pays the transfer fee set by law and also that the motor vehicle or trailer being newly registered is of either a horsepower, gross weight or (in the case of a passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicle) a seating capacity not in excess of the originally registered vehicle. When the newly registered vehicle is of greater horsepower, gross weight or seating capacity than the previously owned and registered vehicle, the owner shall pay the transfer fee set by law and a pro rata portion for the difference in registration fees. Occasions when the license plate transfer fee shall not be assessed are detailed as follows:

(A) When ownership of a registered motor vehicle or trailer is transferred during or immediately prior to the month of expiration of the owner’s license plates, or license plates are transferred to a previously nonused vehicle, the original owner may register another motor vehicle or trailer under the same license plate number without paying a license plate transfer fee if the motor vehicle or trailer being registered is of either a horsepower, gross weight or (in the case of a passenger-carrying commercial motor vehicle) a seating capacity not in excess of the originally owned and registered vehicle. For example, an individual purchases a new vehicle—

1. During the month of expiration of his/her license plates and wants to transfer and renew his/her license plates at the time s/he titles the new vehicle. No license plate transfer fee shall be charged to the applicant but the applicant shall be charged the full year’s registration fee for the new vehicle;

2. Immediately prior to the month of expiration of his/her license plates. The applicant submits an application for title to his/her new vehicle during the month his/her license plates expire and submits an affidavit of nonuse indicating the vehicle has not been operated on the streets and highways since the date of purchase. No license plate transfer fee shall be charged to the applicant, but the applicant shall be charged the full year’s registration fee for the new vehicle; and

3. After the sixteenth day of the month immediately prior to the month of expiration of his/her license plates. The applicant desires to transfer and renew his/her license plates early on the new vehicle when s/he makes application for title. No transfer fee shall be charged to the applicant but the applicant shall be charged the full year’s registration fee for the new vehicle.


12 CSR 10-23.325 Transfer of Passenger Vehicle License Plates From One Horsepower Category to Another—Waiver of Additional Registration Fees and Lack of Refund Provision
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.335 Issuance of Title to a Surviving Spouse or Unmarried Minor Children of a Decedent
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.340 Imposition and Waiver of Motor Vehicle and Trailer Titling and Registration Penalties

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the reasons for imposition and waiver of all penalties assessed by the department on motor vehicles and trailers.

(1) The department assesses penalties on three (3) types of motor vehicle and trailer titling and registration transactions. These penalties are—a delinquent registration renewal penalty, a failure to title penalty, and a failure to renew or transfer a multyear license plate penalty. All penalties may be waived by the department under certain circumstances.

(A) Delinquent Registration Renewal Penalty. If an owner of a multyear license
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within thirty (30) days after acquiring a motor vehicle or trailer fails to make payment free for all November renewals. Monday, December 1 would be considered the last day of the month of delinquency renewal penalty will not be imposed on the next state working day. If, for example, an individual purchases a motor vehicle on August 1, and the 30th day of the first period of delinquency falls on Sunday, August 31, the first penalty would not be imposed on Monday, September 1 but on Tuesday, September 2.

(C) Penalty for Failure to Renew or Transfer a Multimary License Plate. A penalty fee will be imposed on any applicant who elects not to renew or transfer a multimary license plate. Multimary license plates are issued to—passenger vehicles; recreational vehicles; motorcycles; motortricycles; commercial motor vehicles registered for Local (L) and Beyond Local (BL) 6,000 to 24,000; shuttle buses; and van pool vehicles. If an applicant does not renew the multimary license plates currently registered to his/her vehicle, but requests that new multimary license plates be issued, a penalty fee will not be imposed provided the applicant changes license plate categories. For example, if the applicant has regular passenger license plates and requests disabled person license plates, no failure to renew or transfer penalty will be imposed.


**Pursuant to Executive Orders 20-04 and 20-10, 12 CSR 10-23.340 and section 301.130, subsection 4 of section 307.350, and subsection 1 of section 643.315, RSMo was suspended from April 7, 2020 through June 15, 2020.

12 CSR 10-23.345 Definition of Major Component Parts of a Motor Vehicle

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies, by written definitions and illustrations, the seven (7) major component parts commonly used in the reconstruction of a motor vehicle.

(A) Front-end assembly—An integrated unit consisting of that portion of the body from the firewall forward, that is, hood, both fenders, inner skirt of fenders, radiator or core support, and grille;

(B) 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;

(C) Cab—The passenger compartment of a common truck. It is a one- (1-) piece sheet metal construction which may or may not include glass, instrumentation, steering column, and seat;

(D) 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;

(E) 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 total number of the major component parts used in the reconstruction of a motor vehicle;

(F) 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; and

(G) Body—The shell, either of a unibody or frame-type passenger vehicle, which consists of a one- (1-) 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. It does not include a frame as defined in subsection (1)(F).

(2) The major component parts which are commonly used to reconstruct a motorcycle are defined solely for reconstruction purposes as follows:

(A) Frame; and

(B) Transmission.


12 CSR 10-23.350 Honorary Consular License Plates

PURPOSE: This rule establishes procedures for the issuance of license plates to honorary consuls.

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) Under the authority of the Foreign Missions Act, 22 U.S.C. Section 4301, the Office of Foreign Missions of the United States Department of State issues a series of motor vehicle license plates for vehicles owned by foreign missions and their authorized representatives. These federal license plates replace and supersede the special diplomatic and consular plates formerly issued by the various states including Missouri. The law also provides for federal titling of vehicles owned by foreign missions and their authorized representatives.

(2) The federal license plates are issued to the following categories of personnel:
   (A) Representatives of foreign missions (nationwide) having diplomatic status;
   (B) Representatives of foreign missions (nationwide) having consular status;
   (C) Representatives of foreign missions (nationwide) having official status;
   (D) Official representatives of foreign missions (United Nations) whose member states maintain permanent missions at the United Nations headquarters;
   (E) Official representatives of foreign missions (United Nations) assigned to the United Nations and family members;
   (F) Officials of the Secretariat of the United Nations; and
   (G) Official representatives to the Organization of American States.

(3) The federal license plates are easily recognizable, being painted red, white, and blue, are the standard six inches by twelve inches (6” x 12”) in size, and bear the words Issued by the United States Department of State at the bottom.

(4) In accordance with the Foreign Missions Act, 22 U.S.C. Section 4301, the United States Department of State has directed that license plates issued by any state, including Missouri, to honorary consuls must contain words, symbols, and colors that are clearly distinguishable from the federal plates. Furthermore, each state has been requested to refrain from embossing the words, CONSULAR OFFICER on the license plates. This procedure should assist law enforcement agencies in determining if the license plate displayed on a motor vehicle is a federal- or state-issued license plate. Missouri may not issue license plates to any motor vehicle which is required to be registered with the federal government.

(5) Honorary consuls are defined as United States nationals or permanent residents who are appointed as honorary consular officers of foreign missions. The United States Department of State has notified Missouri that honorary consuls will not be permitted to register their vehicles under the federal program. However, honorary consuls are authorized under section 26.140, RSMo to use Missouri motor vehicle license plates which identify them as honorary consular officers. Accordingly, the director of revenue has established a category of specialized personalized license plates for issuance to honorary consuls patterned after the provisions of section 301.144, RSMo.

(6) Honorary consular license plates consist of white letters and numerals on a royal blue field. The configuration of these plates consist of the letter C followed by a dash and the numerals one through and including sixty-six (1–66). At the bottom of the royal blue field appear the words HON. CONSUL in the place of Show Me State.

(7) No more than one (1) set of two (2) honorary consular license plates will be issued to a qualified applicant.

(8) A qualified applicant is an honorary consular officer who—
   (A) Appears on the United States Department of State, Office of Foreign Missions, Foreign Consular Duty Officer List;
   (B) Has registered as an honorary consular officer with the United States Department of State and has been duly issued an exequatur or a diplomatic note by that department which remains valid;
   (C) Has presented his/her credentials to the governor of Missouri;
   (D) Has obtained from the Missouri secretary of state an identification card identifying him/her as an honorary consular officer; and
   (E) Is a resident of Missouri.

(9) Honorary consular license plates will only be issued to passenger motor vehicles subject to the registration fees provided in section 301.055, RSMo.

(10) Applicants for honorary consular license plates are required to comply with all Missouri laws and rules relating to the taxing, titling, registration, and safety inspection of motor vehicles.

(11) Any person desiring to obtain a set of two (2) honorary consular license plates will make application and pay a personalized plate fee of fifteen dollars ($15) in addition to the regular registration fees for passenger vehicles as detailed in section 301.055, RSMo. Initial application for honorary consular license plates are submitted to the Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Bureau, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105 and be accompanied by the personalized plate fee, any other documents required by law to obtain registration, and a copy of the honorary consular officer identification card issued by the Missouri secretary of state. Upon approval, honorary consular license plates will be issued. Subsequent annual renewals may be accomplished at any license office statewide where the renewing applicant will be issued universal registration renewal tabs.

(12) Prior to the receipt of honorary consular license plates, the applicant is to surrender all previously issued license plates which bear the words Consular Officer and pay any additional fees due. If no consular officer plates were issued, the applicant is to surrender the regular license plates which the honorary consular license plates will replace. If the honorary consular license plates are to be issued for a period of less than one (1) full year, the department will assess registration fees on a prorated basis. No refunds are to be made for any unused portion of registration fees for any license plates surrendered in exchange for honorary consular license plates.

(13) Applications for renewal of honorary consular license plates will be filed with the Department of Revenue prior to the last regular work day of January each year. All plates annually expire on January 31.

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12 CSR 10-23.355 Junking Certificates for Motor Vehicles
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.365 Issuance of Nonresident Salvage-Buyer’s Identification Card
(Rescinded February 29, 2008)


12 CSR 10-23.370 Issuance of Certificates of Title to Recreational Vehicles Manufactured by Two Separate Manufacturers

PURPOSE: This rule establishes uniform procedures to be followed in the titling of multistage, manufactured recreational vehicles, or motor homes often referred to as multistage vehicles.

(1) When recreational vehicles or recreational motor vehicle are manufactured by separate manufacturers and have separate and distinct Manufacturers’ Statements of Origin (MSO) issued for the unit, the following titling procedures apply:

(A) When an application for a Missouri certificate of title to a new recreational vehicle or motor home is submitted, both the MSO issued by the vehicle’s chassis or first-stage manufacturer and the MSO issued by the vehicle’s final-stage manufacturer must accompany the application;

(B) The year model assigned to the recreational vehicle shall be obtained from the MSO issued by the recreational vehicle’s final-stage manufacturer;

(C) The vehicle make assigned to a vehicle shall be obtained from the MSO issued by the vehicle’s final-stage manufacturer. For example, first-stage manufacturer, Chrysler Corporation builds a Dodge chassis which is subsequently made into a recreational vehicle or motor home by the final-stage manufacturer, Winnebago. The make of the vehicle will be Winnebago. Note, however, that the make of a Ford van converted by a custom converter to a recreational vehicle which does not meet the requirements of a motor home detailed in section (2) must remain a Ford; and

(D) The vehicle identification number (VIN) assigned to the recreational vehicle or motor home shall be the chassis identification number shown on the first-stage MSO. For example, the VIN for a completed Winnebago recreational vehicle or motor home manufactured on a Dodge chassis will be the identification number assigned by Chrysler Corporation to the Dodge chassis.

(2) For the purpose of this rule, a recreational motor vehicle shall be defined as any motor vehicle designed, constructed, or substantially modified so that it may be used and is used for the purposes of temporary housing quarters, including therein sleeping and eating facilities which are either permanently attached to the motor vehicle or attached to a unit which is securely attached to the motor vehicle. The vehicle must contain permanently installed independent life support systems which meet the American National Standards Institute/National Fire Protection Association (ANSI/NFPA) 501C Standard and provide at least four (4) of the following facilities: cooking, refrigeration or ice box, self-contained toilet, heating or air conditioning, or both, a portable water supply system including a faucet and sink, separate one hundred ten to one hundred twenty-five (110-125)-volt electrical power supply or a liquefied petroleum (LP) gas supply or both. The basic types are specified as follows:

(A) Type A. A raw chassis upon which is built a driver’s compartment and an entire body which provides temporary living quarters as previously defined;

(B) Type B. A completed van-type vehicle which has been altered to provide temporary living quarters as defined previously; and

(C) Type C. An incomplete vehicle upon which is permanently attached a body designed to provide temporary living quarters as previously defined.


12 CSR 10-23.375 Fire Department License Plates
(Rescinded March 30, 2005)


12 CSR 10-23.380 Motor Vehicle Shows or Tent Sales
(Rescinded April 29, 1991)


12 CSR 10-23.385 Verification of the Vehicle Identification Number and Odometer Reading of Motor Vehicles Previously Titled in Another State

PURPOSE: This rule provides alternatives to the requirement for Missouri residents who are serving on active duty in the military and stationed outside Missouri; or residents who are located outside Missouri for an extended period of time; or residents who purchase nonoperable vehicles titled in another state to submit a Missouri motor vehicle inspection approval certificate with an application for Missouri title.

(1) A Missouri motor vehicle inspection approval certificate (see 11 CSR 50-2.120) from an official inspection station authorized by the Missouri State Highway Patrol which verifies the manufacturer’s vehicle identification number and the vehicle’s odometer reading shall accompany every application for a Missouri certificate of title to a motor vehicle which was previously titled in a state other than Missouri. The following alternatives to this requirement shall be available:

(A) A Missouri resident, on active duty in the military and stationed out-of-state, who purchases a vehicle previously titled in another state and is unable to transport it to Missouri for an inspection may submit a document signed by a commissioned officer of one
of the United States Armed Forces verifying the manufacturer’s identification number and odometer reading of the vehicle at the time application for title is made.

1. Example: John Doe (a Missouri resident who is a sergeant in the Army) purchases a motor vehicle in South Carolina. The South Carolina title is assigned to John Doe. Although Sgt. Doe will be stationed in South Carolina for two (2) years, he wants to title and register his motor vehicle in Missouri, his official domicile. Sgt. Doe cannot readily transport the vehicle to an official Missouri inspection station for an inspection because the vehicle is located outside Missouri; therefore, Sgt. Doe may submit a signed document in the form described in subsection (1)(A) of this rule with his application for title;

(B) A Missouri resident, located outside Missouri for an extended period of time due to employment, schooling, or others who purchases a vehicle previously titled in another state and is unable to transport it to Missouri for an inspection may present a notarized affidavit stating why the vehicle cannot be inspected in Missouri along with a notice of an inspection performed by an authorized inspection station or law enforcement officer in the state where the resident is located. The inspection shall verify the manufacturer’s identification number and odometer reading of the vehicle.

1. Example: John Doe (a Missouri resident who is employed in Washington for two (2) years) purchases a motor vehicle in Washington. The Washington title is assigned to John Doe. Although Mr. Doe is employed in Washington for two (2) years, he wants to title and register his motor vehicle in Missouri, his official domicile. Mr. Doe cannot readily transport the vehicle to an official Missouri inspection station for an inspection because the vehicle is outside Missouri; therefore with his title application, Mr. Doe may submit a notarized affidavit stating why the vehicle cannot be inspected in Missouri and odometer reading of the nonoperable vehicle. The inspecting officer’s report must clearly state that the vehicle is not operational.

**AUTHORITY:** section 301.190, RSMo 1986.*


12 CSR 10-23.390 License Plates for Disabled Veterans
(Rescinded May 30, 2006)


12 CSR 10-23.395 Regulation of Boat Dealer’s Certificate of Number and Plates
(Rescinded June 30, 2008)


12 CSR 10-23.400 Transfer of License Plates

**PURPOSE:** This rule clarifies when a motor vehicle or trailer owner may transfer license plates to a newly acquired motor vehicle or trailer and operate the vehicle for thirty days.

(1) Whenever a motor vehicle or trailer owner purchases a replacement motor vehicle or trailer from an individual or a dealership, the owner of a motor vehicle or trailer may operate the newly acquired motor vehicle or trailer with the transferred license plates for no more than thirty (30) days from the date of purchase, until making proper application for title and transfer of license plates with an office of the Department of Revenue.

(2) The license plates may only be transferred if the vehicle acquired is of the same vehicle category as the vehicle being replaced. Example: A passenger vehicle must be replaced by another passenger vehicle in order to attach passenger license plates. The vehicle owner may not use commercial vehicle (truck) license plates on a newly acquired passenger vehicle.


12 CSR 10-23.405 Emblem-Use Authorization Statement and Format for Collegiate License Plates

**PURPOSE:** This rule clarifies the process to be used by colleges and universities in order to have personalized collegiate license plates available.

(1) Any community college or four- (4-) year public or private institution of higher education, or a foundation or organization representing the college or institution, located in Missouri authorizing the use of its official emblem to be affixed to a license plate annually will issue an emblem-use authorization statement. The statement will be in a format agreed upon by the director of the Department of Revenue and which includes the name of the community college or four- (4-) year public or private institution, the applicant’s name and address, the amount of contribution paid, and the date of payment.

(2) One (1) emblem-use authorization statement needs to be issued for each collegiate license plate application.

(3) Any community college or four- (4-) year public or private institution of higher education which desires to have license plates issued which display its emblem, logo, or seal must submit two-hundred (200) applications before the Department of Revenue will authorize the manufacture of license plates displaying its emblem, logo, or seal.

(4) Any community college or four- (4-) year public or private institution of higher education desiring to have collegiate license plates issued should submit a preliminary design of the emblem, logo, or seal which it desires to be displayed upon the license plates as well as school colors that need to be included. This design will be formatted in accordance with
the design of the plate as prescribed in section (5) of this rule. The department will submit the design to the vendor for the material to manufacture the plates. The vendor will prepare the finished artwork for the emblem, logo or seal and submit it to the Department of Revenue and the appropriate institution for approval. Upon approval, the department will authorize the manufacture of the plates.

(5) The left-hand portion of the plate will bear a reproduction of the college emblem, seal, or logo in an area not to exceed two and one-half inches by three inches (2 1/2" × 3"). Immediately to the right of the emblem, seal, or logo, will appear one to five (1–5) characters. The bottom of the license plate will bear the name of the community college or public or private institution of higher education, in lieu of SHOW ME STATE, in an area not to exceed eleven inches by one inch (11" × 1").

AUTHORITY: section 301.449, RSMo 1989.

12 CSR 10-23.410 Certificate of Registration to Documented Vessels
(Rescinded February 25, 1996)


12 CSR 10-23.415 Sample License Plates
(Rescinded November 30, 2007)


12 CSR 10-23.420 Secure Power of Attorney Requirements

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the procedures for using a secure power of attorney in conjunction with a certificate of title as provided for in federal and state law.

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) Section 407.536(8), RSMo and the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act allow the transferor of a motor vehicle to execute a secure power of attorney (POA) when the certificate of ownership is held by a lienholder or for the purpose of assigning a duplicate title in order to comply with federal and state odometer disclosure requirements. The Secure Power of Attorney form, which has been incorporated by reference, published by the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100, contains a revision date of November 2005. The Secure Power of Attorney form does not include any amendments or additions to the November 2005 document.

(2) If the dealer sells the vehicle before the title is received as provided in section 301.894, RSMo, the dealer and purchaser may complete the secure POA to authorize the dealer to sign on behalf of the purchaser and make the odometer disclosure on the second title assignment so the purchaser is not required to return to the dealership once the title issues to acknowledge the disclosure. In this case, upon receipt of the title, the dealer must:

(A) Inspect the title to ensure the mileage on the title is consistent with what was recorded on the POA;

(B) Complete the first and second title assignments; and

(C) Complete the secure POA certifying that the mileage the dealer disclosed on the title document is consistent with the mileage provided to the dealer in the POA.

(3) The secure power of attorney form and corresponding certificate of ownership shall accompany the purchaser’s application for title.

(4) Secure power of attorney forms and copies of corresponding titles received by a dealer in a particular month shall be submitted with the sales report completed for the month. If the dealer sales report is filed electronically, the POA forms and the title copies must be filed with the Department of Revenue by the fifteenth day of the month following the month in which the sale occurred.

(5) A Missouri motor vehicle dealer may buy and sell a motor vehicle out-of-state when a secure power of attorney form accompanies the title. When an out-of-state secure power of attorney form is involved, the Missouri dealer shall obtain the appropriate copy of the secure power of attorney form and the certificate of title, but shall not be required to submit copies of those documents with the dealer’s sales report.

(6) A motor vehicle dealer listed as the purchaser on the secure power of attorney form may elect to title the vehicle in the dealership’s name by submitting the original secure power of attorney form and the original ownership document with the dealer’s application for title.


12 CSR 10-23.422 Issuance of Purple Heart License Plates
(Rescinded February 28, 2007)

12 CSR 10-23.424 Leasing Company Registration

PURPOSE: This rule sets forth the requirements for obtaining a permit to operate as a motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor leasing company.

(1) Any person, company, or corporation engaged in the business of renting or leasing motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors either may elect to pay sales tax on the purchase price or elect to collect and remit sales tax on the gross receipts from the rental or lease of the motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors. Any person, company, or corporation electing to collect and remit sales tax on the gross receipts from rental or lease shall apply to the director of revenue for a permit to operate as a leasing company.

(2) To apply for registration as a leasing company, the applicant shall submit a completed application on a biennial basis as prescribed by the director. A copy of the applicant’s Missouri sales tax license shall accompany the initial application. The applicant also shall be properly registered with the Office of the Missouri Secretary of State and shall furnish proof of that registration upon request.

(3) The director may stagger expiration dates to equalize workload. Leasing companies with expired registrations will not be entitled to the sales tax option provided by section 144.070, RSMo, and will pay all state and local sales tax on the purchase price of any units acquired while the registration is expired.

(4) Motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased by a registered leasing company shall be titled in the name of the leasing company as registered with the director. The leasing company shall record its leasing permit number assigned by the director pursuant to section 144.070, RSMo, which ceases to operate as a leasing company in accordance with the law, the rules established by the director, or both, shall notify the director accordingly and, within ten (10) days of cessation of operation, return the permit to operate as a leasing company to the director.

(5) Any transfer of a motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor to another division from one (1) division of a corporation which authorizes a division to register as a motor vehicle leasing company is a sale at retail as defined in section 144.010, RSMo.

(6) The director will deny application for, or recall any permit to operate as a leasing company, if the applicant—

(A) Has fraudulently completed the application for registration;

(B) No longer holds a valid Missouri sales tax license; or

(C) Is no longer properly registered with the Office of the Missouri Secretary of State.

(7) A leasing company registered with the director pursuant to section 144.070, RSMo, which ceases to operate as a leasing company in accordance with the law, the rules established by the director, or both, shall notify the director accordingly and, within ten (10) days of cessation of operation, return the permit to operate as a leasing company to the director.


12 CSR 10-23.426 Special Identification Numbers
(Rescinded November 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.428 All-Terrain Vehicles Modified for Highway Use
(Rescinded December 30, 2005)


12 CSR 10-23.430 Registration of a Motor Vehicle or Trailer When the Out-Of-State Lienholder Refuses to Release the Title

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies the requirements for and the issuance of registration by the Department of Revenue in certain situations for motor vehicles or trailers when an individual has established residency in Missouri and the out-of-state lienholder refuses to release the title.

(1) An individual establishing residency in Missouri is required to title and register all motor vehicles and trailers owned by him/her within thirty (30) days of establishing residency. On occasion, the lienholder named on the out-of-state title may refuse to release the title to either the owner or the Department of Revenue in order for the owner to title the vehicle in Missouri. Since the owner is obligated to obtain Missouri license plates for his/her vehicle, s/he shall apply for registration by submitting the following:

(A) APPLICATION FOR MISSOURI TITLE AND LICENSE, DOR-108 (see 12 CSR 10-23.265), completed and signed;

(B) A copy of the front and back of the out-of-state title issued in the owner’s name;

(C) A written statement from the lienholder refusing to release the title;

(D) All documents and fees required to obtain Missouri license plates; and

(E) A fee equal to the title fee required pursuant to section 301.190, RSMo.

(2) The validated pink receipt from the application will serve as the applicant’s registration certificate.

(3) No more than one (1) application for registration under this rule may be approved at any given time for a motor vehicle or trailer.


12 CSR 10-23.432 Registration of a Motor Vehicle or Trailer Subject to a Right to Purchase Clause
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.434 Use of a Reassignment of Ownership by Registered Dealer Form (Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.436 Application For Title (Rescinded December 30, 2003)


12 CSR 10-23.440 Replacement License Tabs (Rescinded May 30, 2006)


12 CSR 10-23.442 Outboard Motor

PURPOSE: This rule defines the type of outboard motor required to be titled and registered.

(1) An outboard motor is defined as an internal combustion engine with an integrally attached propeller or waterjet propulsion unit that is designed to be temporarily secured to the stern of a boat.

(2) Only outboard motors, as defined above, are subject to the titling and registration requirements of Chapter 306, RSMo.


12 CSR 10-23.444 Historic Vehicle License (Rescinded December 30, 2003)


12 CSR 10-23.446 Notice of Lien

PURPOSE: This rule outlines the requirements for the perfection of a lien on a motor vehicle, trailer, manufactured home, all terrain vehicle, boat, or outboard motor by physical delivery or electronic filing of the notice of lien.

(1) A lien on a motor vehicle, trailer, manufactured home, all terrain vehicle, boat, or outboard motor is perfected when a notice of lien meeting the requirements in section (2) is delivered to the director of revenue, whether or not the ownership thereof is being transferred. A processing fee is collected when the notice of lien is delivered to the director. Delivery to the director of revenue may be physical delivery of the notice of lien to the director by mail, or to the director or agent of the director in a Department of Revenue office, or by electronic filing of the notice of lien. A received date stamp placed on the notice of lien application receipt or an electronic confirmation receipt issued by the director or his/her agent will be prima facie proof of the date of delivery.

(2) A notice of lien for a motor vehicle, trailer, manufactured home, all terrain vehicle, boat, or outboard motor shall be in a form or electronic format provided or approved by the director of revenue. The notice of lien shall contain, but not be limited to, the following information:

(A) Name and address of owner(s);
(B) Unit description, by make, and identification number;
(C) Purchase date;
(D) Name and address of first and second lienholder(s), if applicable; and
(E) Subject to future advances if applicable.

(3) As used in this rule, the term “boat” includes all motorboats, vessels, or watercraft as the terms are defined in section 306.010, RSMo.

(4) Any lienholder who elects to file a lien electronically must apply to use this option and be approved by the director.

*Original authority: 301.139, RSMo 1999.

12 CSR 10-23.450 Guidelines for Use of Handicapped Parking Cones

PURPOSE: This rule establishes guidelines for the use of handicapped parking cones.

(1) Any person who is issued disabled person license plates or a removable windshield placard and who uses a wheelchair or transports a person who uses a wheelchair, may utilize a parking cone bearing the international symbol of accessibility and the words “wheelchair parking space.”

(2) Parking cones shall be predominantly orange, fluorescent red-orange or fluorescent yellow-orange, not less than eighteen inches (18”) in height and shall be made of a material that can be struck without damaging vehicles on impact.

(3) Any cone that conforms to the requirements of this provision will be sufficient for use by such person without further authorization from the director.

*Original authority: 301.139, RSMo 1999.

12 CSR 10-23.452 Internet Renewal of License Plates (Rescinded June 30, 2018)

12 CSR 10-23.454 Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD)  
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.456 Marine Application for Title  
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.458 Documents Accepted as a Release of Lien  
(Rescinded June 30, 2018)


12 CSR 10-23.460 Issuance of Biennial Disabled Person Placard  
(Rescinded November 30, 2007)


12 CSR 10-23.465 Issuance of Biennial Salvage Business Licenses

PURPOSE: This rule provides for issuing biennial salvage business licenses on a staggered basis to equalize the Department of Revenue’s workload and for the corresponding fees that are required.

(1) Salvage business licenses expire June 30 of the designated expiration year. The renewal period begins April 1 in the year of their expiration.

(A) New applicants for salvage business license processed on or after August 28, 2004, will be issued a two (2)-year license expiring June 30 of the appropriate year. The cost for licensure shall be one hundred thirty dollars ($130) for each type of business activity indicated on the application, except that only one (1) one hundred thirty dollar ($130) fee shall be collected if the applicant applies for licensure as a used parts dealer and a salvage dealer or dismantler. If the licensure period is for less than a two (2)-year period, the licensure fee shall be prorated for each type of business activity on a quarterly basis based on application receipt date as follows:
   1. July 1 to September 30—one hundred thirty dollars ($130)
   2. October 1 to December 31—one hundred thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents ($113.75)
   3. January 1 to March 31—ninety-seven dollars and fifty cents ($97.50)
   4. April 1 to June 30—eighty-one dollars and twenty-five cents ($81.25)

(B) Late renewal applicants who submitted their application for a salvage business license before August 28, 2004, but who are not approved until on or after August 28, 2004, will receive a one (1)-year license expiring June 30, 2005, at a cost of sixty-five dollars ($65) for each type of business activity conducted.

(C) Late renewal applicants who submit their application for a salvage business license on or after August 28, 2004, have the option of receiving a one (1)-year or two (2)-year license. These applicants must obtain a certification from authorized law enforcement as required by section 301.219, RSMo.

(D) Renewal applicants for salvage business licensure who renew during the renewal cycle beginning April 1, 2005, and who have an even-numbered license number, will be issued a one (1)-year license expiring June 30, 2006, at a cost of sixty-five dollars ($65) for each business activity conducted. During the renewal cycle beginning April 1, 2006, these renewal applicants will be issued a two (2)-year license expiring June 30, 2008.

(E) Renewal applicants for salvage business licensure who renew during the renewal cycle beginning April 1, 2005, and who have an odd-numbered license number, will be issued a two (2)-year license expiring June 30, 2007, at a cost of one hundred thirty dollars ($130) for each business activity conducted.

(2) Each application for a salvage business license must be accompanied by a five-dollar ($5) fee for a criminal record check for each owner, partner, or corporate officer listed on the application. The deposited fees are forwarded to the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The patrol shall provide the director with the results of the applicant’s criminal record check to assist the director in determining the applicant’s qualifications as provided in section 301.221, RSMo.

(3) In the event that owners, partners, or principal officers (if a corporation) are residents of a state other than Missouri or another country, they must obtain a current criminal record check from their state highway patrol or corresponding law enforcement agency and submit that record check with new and renewal applications. The five-dollar ($5) fee referenced in section (2) of this rule is inapplicable to this circumstance.


12 CSR 10-23.470 Notice of Sale

PURPOSE: Section 301.196, RSMo, requires the seller of a motor vehicle, trailer, or all-terrain vehicle to report the sale to the Department of Revenue. Section 301.280, RSMo, requires dealers who do not file their monthly sales reports electronically to submit a notice of sale as required by section 301.196, RSMo, with their monthly sales report. This rule establishes the forms for reporting the sale to the department.

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) When selling a motor vehicle, trailer, or all-terrain vehicle to a Missouri resident, the seller must report the sale to the Department of Revenue.

(A) Sellers, other than Missouri licensed dealers, must complete one (1) of the following forms and submit it to the Department of Revenue within thirty (30) days of the sale.
   1. Notice of Sale, (Form DOR 5049), required when title does not include the perforated notice of sale;
   2. The Notice of Sale (Form DOR 5049A) portion of the Missouri Certificate of
Title; or
3. Bill of Sale (Form DOR 1957), used when applying for a tax credit under section 144.025, RSMo. Notice of Sale, (Form DOR 5049), revised October 2005, Notice of Sale (Form DOR 5049A) portion of the Missouri Certificate of Title, revised July 2005, and the Bill of Sale (Form DOR 1957), revised August 2005, are incorporated by reference, are published by and can be obtained from the Missouri Department of Revenue, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100. These forms do not include any amendments or additions since the revision dates noted.

(B) Missouri licensed dealers who do not file their sales reports electronically must complete a Notice of Sale using Form DOR 5049 and DOR 5049A for each retail sale made to a Missouri resident and submit the forms with the corresponding dealer’s monthly sales reports.


12 CSR 10-23.475 Fees and Required Documentation for Designating Manufactured Homes as Real or Personal Property

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the fees and requirements for filing documentation with the Department of Revenue for purposes of designating manufactured homes as real estate or personal property under section 700.111, RSMo.

(1) An Affidavit of Affixation must be recorded with the recorder of deeds in accordance with section 442.015, RSMo, and filed with the director of revenue in accordance with section 700.111, RSMo, the affidavit shall be accompanied by either an Application for Surrender of Title or a Manufacturer’s Certificate of Origin, or an Application for Confirmation of Conversion when no such certificate of title or manufacturer’s certificate of origin can be located.

(4) The department will make available suggested forms containing the standard requirements for the Affidavit of Affixation, Affidavit of Severance, Application for Confirmation of Conversion, and Application for Surrender of Title or Manufacturer’s Certificate of Origin. The department’s suggested forms, or forms that substantially comply with their requirements, shall be used for filing with the recorder of deeds and director of revenue. All available forms may be obtained by mail by requesting a form in writing from the Missouri Department of Revenue, Motor Vehicle Bureau, Truman State Office Building, Room 370, 301 West High Street, PO Box 100, Jefferson City, MO 65105-0100 or from the department’s website.

(5) The fee for filing an Affidavit of Affixation or Affidavit of Severance with the Department of Revenue for the purposes of complying with section 700.111, RSMo, shall be the same amount as the fee collected for an original title in accordance with section 301.190, RSMo. In addition to such filing fee, the director shall collect a processing fee in accordance with subparagraph (2) of subsection 1 of section 136.055, RSMo.

12 CSR 10-23.550 Lease Rental Companies

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies application, inspection, issuance, and procedures related to Lease Rental Fleet Companies.

(1) As used herein, the term “Registered fleet owners” shall mean lease rental companies that are qualified and have been issued fleet registration as prescribed in subsections 6 through 10 of section 301.032, RSMo.

(2) Registered fleet owner applicants shall apply to the department by completing an application prescribed by the director and by providing the following:
   (A) The registered name, address, and contact information of the applicant, including a phone number and e-mail address;
   (B) Proof of compliance with the minimum number of fleet vehicles as prescribed in section 301.032;
   (C) The name and e-mail address for an account administrator designated by the applicant for purposes of creating and maintaining an account to provide fleet motor vehicle information to the department; and
   (D) Proof of financial responsibility that covers every vehicle in the registered fleet owner’s fleet.

(3) On any day in which fleet vehicles are registered, the registered fleet owner shall prepare a file with motor vehicle fleet information for the purposes of updating the department’s registration records. Such information shall be submitted to the department Monday through Friday excluding state and federal holidays. The director will provide the registered fleet owner an informational packet which will include the method and format data is to be provided to the director.

(4) Motor vehicles that are registered as a
fleet as prescribed in section 301.032, RSMo, must meet the following conditions:

(A) Must be a passenger motor vehicle, or truck that can be registered at a beyond local twelve thousand pound (12,000 lb.) weight zone or below; and

(B) Vehicle must be titled in the registered fleet owner’s name.

(5) License plate inventory that is not currently registered to a vehicle in the registered fleet owner’s fleet must be:

(A) Kept in a lockable storage unit, stationary safe that is securely affixed to a non-movable surface, walk-in safe or vault, closet, cabinet, or a combination of these;

(B) Kept locked at all times until registered to a vehicle in the registered fleet owner’s fleet; and

(C) Accounted for and reconciled by the registered fleet owner each business day in which fleet vehicles are registered, including how much inventory remains unutilized; what, if any, inventory has been transferred; and whether any inventory has been surrendered to the department or destroyed.

(6) Registered fleet owners authorized in subsections 6 through 10 of section 301.032, RSMo shall be issued special license plates. Each set of license plates shall bear the name or abbreviated name of this state, the letters “LR” to the left of the plate configuration, the word “fleet” at a location set forth by the director, and an arrangement of numbers or letters, or both, as shall be assigned from year to year by the director. The plates shall also contain fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design for each type of license plate issued, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed in section 301.130, RSMo.

(7) Registered fleet owner licenses will be issued for no more than two (2) years and will expire on December 31 of the second year. Registered fleet owners may obtain license plates with an expiration that coincides with the license expiration. Registered fleet owners choosing to discontinue licensure during or at the end of their licensure year shall notify the department and immediately surrender all unissued plate inventory, and collect and return to the department all issued inventory within sixty (60) days of discontinuation or expiration of the license.

(8) Registered fleet owners shall cooperate with any investigation or audit by the department authorized in section 301.032, RSMo. Registered fleet owners shall permit an employee or agent of the department to inspect, during normal business hours, any and all motor vehicle fleet records as deemed necessary, and shall make requested records available for review or provide electronic copies of records within fifteen (15) business days in order to comply with the provisions of this section.

(9) Notwithstanding section (8) above, the department may request copies of any and all documents, logs, or books related to the accounting and reconciliation required by subsection (5)(C) above. Said documents may be provided either in paper or digital format, but must be provided to the department within two (2) business days from the date of the request. This section shall not be construed to grant registered fleet owners two (2) business days to comply with a request for immediate inspection of such documents as described in section (8) above.

(10) The department may refuse to issue or renew any license required pursuant to subsections 6 through 10 of section 301.032, RSMo, for a specified period of time for any finding of fraud, misrepresentation, fleet license plate misuse, improper motor vehicle record retention, failure to retain the accounting and reconciliation documentation required by subsection (5)(C) of this rule, or failure to provide accurate motor vehicle fleet information to the department as required. The department shall notify the applicant or licensee in writing at their last known address of the reasons for the refusal to issue or renew the license and shall advise the applicant or licensee of their right to file an appeal with the administrative hearing commission as provided in Chapter 621, RSMo. All license plate inventory must be returned to the Department of Revenue within thirty (30) days of written notice of refusal to issue or renew the license, or within thirty (30) days of the administrative hearing commission decision if an appeal is filed. Failure to do so may result in action against the bond filed by the licensee in the amount equivalent to the cost per license plate issued that has not been surrendered.


12 CSR 10-23.600 Complaint, Inspection, and Disciplinary Process for Transportation Network Companies

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies application, inspection, and disciplinary processes and procedures related to transportation network companies.

(1) As used herein, the following terms mean:

(A) “Commission”, the regional taxicab commission established pursuant to section 67.1804, RSMo;

(B) “Department”, the Missouri Department of Revenue;

(C) “Director”, the director of the Missouri Department of Revenue or a hearing officer or appeals referee duly appointed by the director;

(D) “Home rule city”, any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand (400,000) inhabitants and located in more than one (1) county; and

(E) “Transportation network company” or “TNC”, a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity that is licensed pursuant to sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, and operating in the state of Missouri, that uses a digital network to connect TNC riders to TNC drivers who provide pre-arranged rides.

(2) Applicants for initial TNC licensure or renewal shall apply to the department by completing an application and providing the following:

(A) The registered name, address, and contact information of the applicant, including a phone number and e-mail address;

(B) The name of the registered agent within the state who will accept service of process and notifications as required by section 387.406, RSMo, and direct contact information for the agent including physical address, phone number, e-mail address, and regular business hours;

(C) The name and e-mail address for an account administrator designated by the applicant for purposes of creating and maintaining an account which will meet all reporting requirements contained in section 387.436, RSMo;

(D) The five-thousand dollar ($5,000) application fee; and

(E) A copy of the applicant’s privacy policy as required by, and in accordance with, section 387.425, RSMo.

Applicants shall certify that they will comply with all requirements contained in sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, sections 379.1700 to 379.1708, RSMo, and all regulations promulgated by the department that are consistent with sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, pursuant to the authority delegated to the department under section 387.430, RSMo. Applicants shall further certify that their privacy policy, as provided to the department, meets all the requirements.
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(3) Upon approval of an application for TNC licensure, the designated account administrator of the TNC will be sent an electronic notification by the department containing instructions on how to create and maintain an electronic reporting account with the department for purposes of complying with section 387.436, RSMo. The TNC’s account shall be created prior to the TNC doing business as a licensee and shall be maintained throughout the duration of the license.

(4) TNCs shall cooperate with any investigation or audit by the department related to sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, and sections 379.1700 to 379.1708, RSMo. TNCs shall permit an employee or agent of the department to inspect, during normal business hours, any and all records which are required to be maintained pursuant to sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, if related to an investigation as described above. If a third party is utilized in accordance with section 387.420, RSMo, all records gathered and supplied by the third party shall be maintained and available for inspection by the department. Any records which may be reviewed by a home rule city or the commission must also be made available to the department for purposes of complying with section 387.436, RSMo. The TNC’s account shall be created prior to the TNC doing business as a licensee and shall be maintained throughout the duration of the license.

(5) The department may refuse to issue or renew any license required pursuant to sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, for a specified period of time for any one (1) or any combination of causes stated in this section. The department shall notify the applicant or licensee in writing at their last known address of the reasons for the refusal to issue or renew the license and shall advise the applicant or licensee of their right to file an appeal with the administrative hearing commission as provided in Chapter 621, RSMo.

(A) The following acts constitute cause for refusal to issue or renew a license:

1. Any violation of sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, sections 379.1700 to 379.1708, RSMo, or any rule promulgated under the authority delegated to the department under section 387.430, RSMo;

2. The applicant or license holder was previously the holder of a license issued under sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, which license was suspended or denied for cause and was never reissued by the department;

3. The applicant or license holder was previously a partner, stockholder, director, or officer controlling or managing a partnership or corporation whose license issued under sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, was suspended or denied for cause and was never reissued;

4. Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation, or bribery in securing a license issued pursuant to sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo; and

5. Failure to cooperate with the department or failure to timely respond to a request for records by the department in connection with an investigation.

(B) Any TNC fined by a home rule city or the commission shall send a notice to the TNC’s registered agent which includes the amount of the fine, a brief statement of facts establishing the TNC’s failure to comply with any requirement in sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, and a statement indicating the right of appeal in substantially the following language: “If you are adversely affected by this notice, you may appeal to the Department of Revenue. To appeal, you must file a request for hearing with the Department of Revenue, PO Box 703, Jefferson City, MO 65105, within thirty (30) days after the date this notice was mailed or the date it was delivered, whichever date was earlier. If any such request for hearing is sent by registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is mailed; if it is sent by any method other than registered mail or certified mail, it will be deemed filed on the date it is received by the Department of Revenue.

(C) The department will receive oral testimony and any live witnesses will be subject to cross examination.

(D) Failure to appear at the hearing at the stated time may result in a default finding and decision against the absent party; and

(E) The department will make a record of the proceedings and evidence presented. Hearing procedures shall be substantially as follows:

1. The home rule city or the commission will have the initial burden of proof and must present, by a preponderance of the evidence, facts establishing the TNC’s failure to comply with sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo;

2. The TNC may present any evidence establishing or suggesting compliance with the provisions of sections 387.400 to 387.440, RSMo, or any rebuttal evidence;

3. Parties may present testimony by notarized affidavit or by stipulation of the parties. Affidavits or stipulations may be filed at the time of hearing or any time prior to the hearing;

4. The department will receive oral testimony and any live witnesses will be subject to cross examination;

5. Failure to appear at the hearing at the stated time may result in a default finding and decision against the absent party; and

6. When not inconsistent with this subsection, the provisions of Chapter 536, RSMo shall apply to hearings held in accordance with section 387.440, RSMo.

(F) The director shall consider all the evidence presented, make written findings of fact and conclusions of law, and enter a final decision against the absent party; and

7. Failure to appear at the hearing at the stated time may result in a default finding and decision against the absent party; and

8. When not inconsistent with this subsection, the provisions of Chapter 536, RSMo shall apply to hearings held in accordance with section 387.440, RSMo.
decision at or within sixty (60) days from the date of the hearing. All parties will be mailed a copy of the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and final decision. No decision will be entered at the time of the hearing.

(G) The effective date of the director’s final decision shall be thirty (30) days from the date the final decision is entered.

(H) Any fines paid by a TNC in accordance with the provisions of section 387.440, RSMo, shall be remitted to the department within fifteen (15) days from the effective date of the final decision of the director or any final decision or order entered by a court of law having jurisdiction over the appeal of such fine.

(I) Any fines remitted to, or collected by, the department in accordance with sections 387.439 and 387.440, RSMo, will be distributed in accordance with Article IX, Section 7 of the Missouri Constitution.

(7) License suspensions under subsection 4 of section 387.439, RSMo shall be for a period of thirty (30) days per violation.
