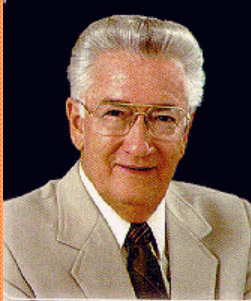




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Interstate Commerce

Motor Carriers that operate commercial vehicles transporting passengers or hauling cargo in interstate commerce must be registered with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and must have a USDOT Number.

Section 320.0715, F.S., was revised during the 2008 legislative session to require the department to withhold registrations and license plates for commercial motor vehicles that have not been issued a USDOT number. This change only affects commercial motor vehicles operating in interstate commerce. Vehicles operating intrastate only with

a Florida straight plate will not be impacted.

A notice will be sent to carriers currently registered under the International Registration Plan (IRP) along with renewal notices to advise them that they will be required to provide their USDOT number prior to being issued an apportioned license plate.

Form HSMV 85103, Welcome to the State of Florida's International Registration Plan, has been updated to include information about obtaining USDOT numbers. **When issuing a Temporary Operational Permit, you**

should provide the customer with these instructions so they will be aware of the requirement to provide their USDOT number when submitting their application for an apportioned license plate. If this number is not provided, the application will be rejected.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call the Bureau of Motor Carrier Services at (850) 617-3711.



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ELT Lienholder Satisfaction Letter

The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles has taken another step in the electronic title process as well as implementing a significant cost saving measure. Until recently when a title is electronic with a lien and the lien is satisfied, the vehicle owner was sent a letter from both the lienholder and the Department. The Department notified the owner that the lien had been satisfied and instructed them how to obtain their title.

To reduce the redundancy and ensure the effective

use of taxpayer resources, the Department has discontinued the mailing of these notices effective January 15, 2009. Instead, the Department has requested for lienholders to assist in increasing public awareness of the benefits of an electronic title and include information on how to obtain a paper title, if needed, in the information sent to their customers when a lien is satisfied.

The Department will continue to encourage owners to maintain a title electronically to eliminate

the risk of losing it and having to pay title fees to obtain a duplicate. It is also an effective fraud deterrent because potential thieves will not have access to the title.

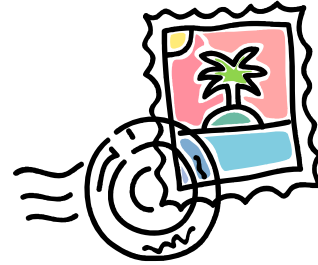
Vehicle owners will still be able to obtain a paper title by visiting their local Florida county tax collector's office or visiting the Department's website at <http://flhsmv.gov/html/emt.htm>



Mail Fees

On May 11, 2009, the United States Postal Service will increase the postage fee. The increase will affect the mailing fee for license plates and decals, when applicable. The new mail

fee for a license plate will increase to \$2.15. The new mail fee for a decal will increase to \$0.70. For renewal notices, the new mail fees will be included on the June 2009 renewal data file.



Personalized Plates

Some customers like to order personalized plates when they purchase a new vehicle. It is not necessary to come down or even call to see if a personalized license plate is available. This option is now available on the internet at:

<https://www6.hsmv.state.fl.us/mvcheck/platecheck/main.jsp>

If the plate is available, please remember to complete DHSMV 83043, application for Personalized License Plate in order to fulfill the request. In the plate selection section, please make sure to include the type of specialty license plate requested and specify the actual intended meaning/explanation of the

configuration. County license plate agencies must review all personalized license plate applications and reject any obscene or objectionable choices prior to processing.

Personalized orders can take 10-12 weeks for processing.



Heavy Vehicle Use Tax

Heavy trucks with a gross weight of 55,000 pounds or more and truck tractors with a combined gross weight of 55,000 pounds or more are required to submit proof of filing, payment or exemption from Federal Heavy Use Tax (HVUT).

Some tips to remember:

- Form 2290's are not transferable by VIN numbers.
- Form 2290 should be in the name of at least one registrant. However, a lease agreement is

acceptable to connect the names.

- Form 2290 will not be accepted if the VIN numbers or category appears to be altered. (No white out, cross-outs or erasures.)
- Form 2290 must be stamped "PAID" or "RECEIVED" with a current date.
- If a *photocopy* of the Form 2290 is submitted, then a copy of the proof of payment must also be submitted.

- Motor vehicles are exempt from showing proof of HVUT if the vehicle was purchased within 60 days prior to the application for registration.
- Form 2290 can now be filed electronically.



Did you have a change of address or receive a new license plate? If you need to update your transponder account information go to:

<http://EPASSToday.com>

or
<http://SunPass.com>

Proper Use of Dealer License Plates

Dealer Plates MAY ONLY Be Used:

- On vehicles which are operated in connection with a dealer's business.
- On vehicles while being used for demonstration purposes, with or without a representative of the dealer in the vehicle.
- On vehicles which are in transit to or from a dealer's place of business.
- On vehicles temporarily loaned, without compensation, to a customer by a dealer while the customer's vehicle is being repaired by the dealer.
- On vehicles, such as service trucks, in the dealer's inventory when responding to calls where compensation is not a consideration. This vehicle cannot transport another vehicle, including a trailer.
- On vehicles owned by the dealer while in inventory for sale.
- On marine boat trailers for the sole purpose of demonstrating trailers for sale.
- Auctions may only use dealer license plates to carry vehicles to

the auction and to demonstrate the vehicles in the auction area.

- On trailers for the sole purpose of demonstrating trailers for sale.

Dealers Plates MAY NOT Be Used:

- On service vehicles or wreckers used for hauling or making service calls for compensation or hauling property for compensation.
- On parts or supply trucks calling on retail or wholesale trade. Such vehicles must carry regular plates because of their public competitive nature.
- By wholesale dealers with a "VW" dealer license.
- By manufacturers with the

license prefix of MR, MV, MD or MI. A registration only is required.

- On wreckers, except for demonstration.
- On car carriers even when the truck, trailer and vehicles being hauled are in the dealer's inventory.

Licensed Mobile Home Dealers:

- Licensed mobile home dealers dealing exclusively in mobile homes are not authorized to obtain and use dealer plates.
- Licensed mobile home dealers who also deal in recreational vehicles may obtain dealer plates for use on recreational vehicles only.

Notarization is not required for motor vehicles, mobile homes or vessels on in state or out-of-state MCO's or on an out-of-state title, even if there is a place for notarization.

Questions and Answers

QUESTION: how are casual sales being handled since the seller elected to keep his title electronic when he purchased vehicle? do they have to wait for the paper title to come in the mail or pay 7.00 for fast title print in order to sell vehicle?

ANSWER: Currently, if it is a casual sale, the seller has the option to pay the \$7 for a fast title or they may wait for the title to be mailed from Tallahassee.

QUESTION: Does the printed name have to be the name or is the first initial and last name ok?

ANSWER: Yes. DMV procedure TL-01, page 3, F, states the owner's full name must be shown on the documentation.

QUESTION: What process do I use when my customer (salvage dealer/recycler) submits an OUT OF STATE title to be junked? What process do I use when my customer (salvage dealer/recycler) wants to junk a vehicle (titled in another state) and DOES NOT have the OUT OF STATE title?

ANSWER: Answer to Question 1: The customer must submit the title back to



the titling/issuing state to be junked. They should keep a photocopy of the reassigned title for their records. They may also want to send it by certified mail as proof of compliance and to keep the receipt for their records. Answer to Question 2: The department does not junk out of state titles, however, if the vehicle qualifies as a derelict vehicle, refer to DMV Procedure TL-35. The customer would be allowed to apply for a derelict certificate. This procedure is being updated to clarify this information.

Quote:

Success is not a destination. It is a constant, continuous journey.

HSMV 82040

Please make sure the HSMV 82040 is complete and accurate before giving it to the title clerk for processing.

- Please indicate whether the customer would like the title to remain electronic. If neither box is checked, the title will be printed and mailed to the customer.
- When joint ownership, please indicate if “or” or “and” is to be shown on the title when issued by marking the appropriate box. If neither box is checked, the title will be issued with “and.”
- Please write in the owner’s county of residence. Central Florida has numerous dual county cities. This will alleviate any questions with taxes.
- It is *mandatory* to list the owner’s and co-owner’s mailing and physical addresses on this form. A PO Box and an out of state mailing address is acceptable. However, a physical street address in Florida must also be listed. If the address is different than what shows on their FL DL/ID, a copy of the proof of address change must also be submitted. If the customer wants the title mailed to a different address, please complete the “Mail To” section.
- If the application is for a mobile home, also include the physical address of the mobile home and check the box if it is located in a mobile home park.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES - DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES 2900 Apalachee Parkway, NEIL KIRKMAN BUILDING - TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0810											
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE WITH/WITHOUT REGISTRATION											
APPLICATION TYPE:		TRANSFER		VEHICLE TYPE:							
<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE		<input type="checkbox"/> MOTOR VEHICLE		<input type="checkbox"/> MOBILE HOME		<input type="checkbox"/> VESSEL	
OWNER / APPLICANT INFORMATION											
Customer Number		Do you want the certificate of title to remain electronic? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		Are you a Florida resident? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		Are you an alien? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		Unit Number		Fleet Number	
<input type="checkbox"/> OR <input type="checkbox"/> AND		NOTE: When joint ownership, please indicate if "or" or "and" is to be shown on title when issued. If neither box is checked, the title will be issued with "and."									
<input type="checkbox"/> Life Estate/Remainder Person		<input type="checkbox"/> Tenancy By the Entirety		<input type="checkbox"/> With Rights of Survivorship		Owner's County of Residence:					
Owner's Name As It Appears on Driver License (First, Full Middle/Maiden, & Last Name)				Owner's Email Address		Date of Birth		Sex	FL Driver License or FEID/Suffix #		
Co-Owner/Lessee's Name As It Appears on Driver License (First, Full Middle/Maiden, & Last Name)				Co-Owner's/Lessee's Email Address		Date of Birth		Sex	FL Driver License or FEID/Suffix #		
Owner's Mailing Address(Mandatory)				City		State		Zip			
Co-Owner's/Lessee's Mailing Address (Mandatory)				City		State		Zip			
Owner's/Lessee's Physical Street Address in Florida (Mandatory)				City		State		Zip			
Mobile Home Physical Address (if applicable) Check if in a mobile home rental park with 10 or more lots. <input type="checkbox"/>				City		State		Zip			
Mail To Customer Name (If different From Above Owner)				Mail To Customer's Email Address		Date of Birth		Sex	FL Driver License or FEID/Suffix #		
Mail To Customer Address (If different From Above Mailing Address)				City		State		Zip			
2 MOTOR VEHICLE, MOBILE HOME OR VESSEL DESCRIPTION											

The Division of Motor Vehicles, in its continuing effort to enhance how we communicate with and serve our customers, is revising Motor Vehicle forms to collect email addresses. The following are some benefits of customer communication/notification via email:

- A faster way to contact the owner about title application issues/problems
- A source of electronic notification for renewal notices and other information
- A reduction in postage
- A reduction in paper usage
- An alternative source for customer contact

One of the first forms we have revised is HSMV 82040, Application for Certificate of Title With/Without Registration. With the January FRVIS release, we are now able to collect email addresses and correspond with customers via email when possible. Look for revisions to additional forms soon.

Email addresses, that are part of the motor vehicle record, are covered under the Driver Privacy Protection Act (DPPA). Under the DPPA and Florida Statute 119.0712(2), addresses are exempt as personal information that could identify the individual. Therefore, email addresses may not be released unless the recipient meets one of the exemptions listed in Florida Statutes 119.0712.

Driver License Services

The Winter Garden Tag Agency will be moving in April to a new office space in the same plaza. When the office opens in the new location, limited driver license services will be available. This will increase the number of our Orange County Tag Agencies that offer limited driver license services to seven locations.

Customers may call our phone center at 407.836.4145 between the hours of 8:30 and 5 pm or check <http://www.hsmv.state.fl.us/offices/orange.html> for

additional information and directions. Note: An additional \$5.25 convenience fee is collected on each transaction processed at a Tax Collector Office.

The West Colonial Tag Agency (2110 W. Colonial Dr, Orlando, FL 32804), the Winter Garden Tag Agency (14035 W. Colonial Dr, Winter Garden, FL 34787), and the Apopka Tag Agency (380 Semoran Commerce Place, Apopka, FL 32703) are the only offices that have ADLETS

equipment and offer testing. Because of the availability of testing, these locations offer all CDL licensing transactions with the exception of HAZMAT. The Downtown, West Colonial, Winter Garden and Apopka Tag Agencies will also process non-US Citizen DL and ID requests with proper documentation.



Dealer Newsletter



“Wood’s Words” was created to communicate and assist dealers with items of interest relating to titling and registering vehicles in the Orange County Tax Collector’s Office.

Our goal is to provide an informative and useful tool for our dealer customers. Quarterly publication is planned.

If you would like to be notified via email of the publications, please leave

your dealership name, contact person, and email address with your local tag agency representative.

Also, please let us know if you have any suggestions on topics that you would like to see explained.

Calendar of Events

April 30th – Independent Dealer Licenses and License Plates Expire

May 25th - Memorial Day (Office Closed)

June 30th – Company owned vehicle tags expire (excludes lease vehicles)

July 4th – Independence Day (Office Closed Friday July, 3rd)

Phone Numbers and Internet Links

Orange County Dealer Line
407-836-4185

Local DMV
407-445-7400

Tallahassee DMV Help Desk
850-617-2000

Orange County Tax Collector
www.octaxcol.com

Division of Motor Vehicles
www.flhsmv.gov

Department of Revenue
dor.myflorida.com/dor/

Request E-Title Print
www.hsmv.state.fl.us/html/emt.htm

Florida Corporations Online
www.sunbiz.org