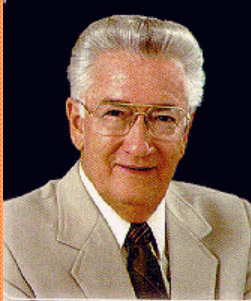




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New Fees

As of September 1st, 2009, the new state fee increases for motor vehicles and driver licenses will become effective. The new fees are substantial and will be difficult for many at an already exhausting economic time. Please remember that these are **state** fee increases, thus the county will not receive any monies generated from the additional income.

The increases will be effective on all work dropped off at our offices after September 1st. It does **not** matter when the

vehicle was sold. It only matters when the Tag Agency receives the work to be processed.

One of the most significant increases is the Initial Registration fee that is going up from \$100 to \$225. However, the customer is **NOT** subject to this fee if the customer has a credit from a previous license plate. Customers are able to visit their local tag agency to verify this information and obtain proof of prior registration to submit to the dealership title clerk before the work is

processed.

The new title fee increases are now available online in the DMV procedure manual in Section #6 Fees.



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New Specialty Fees

	Current	New	Increase
Conserve Wildlife	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$10.00
Save the Manatee	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$5.00



Certification of Mileage

Over the past year the Florida certificate of title and HSMV 82040 have been updated to include the federal regulation of certification of mileage. Federal rule specifies that the transferor (seller) must certify that the mileage is:

- a) Actual
- Or
- b) In excess of the mechanical limits of the odometer
- Or
- c) Not actual and should not be relied on.

Please ensure that one of the above three odometer statements is properly recorded. Any alteration or omission to these statements is in violation of state and federal laws.

<input type="checkbox"/> If Lienholder authorizes the Department to send the motor vehicle or mobile home title to the owner, check box and countersign: _____ (Does not apply to vessels). If box is not checked, title will be mailed to the first lienholder. _____ (Signature of Lienholder's Representative)				
5 TRANSFER TYPE				
IF OWNERSHIP HAS TRANSFERRED, HOW AND WHEN WAS THE VEHICLE, MOBILE HOME, OR VESSEL ACQUIRED?				
<input type="checkbox"/> SALE <input type="checkbox"/> GIFT <input type="checkbox"/> REPOSSESSION <input type="checkbox"/> COURT ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____			DATE ACQUIRED ____/____/____	
6 ODOMETER DECLARATION				
WARNING: Federal and State law requires that you state the mileage in connection with an application for a Certificate of Title. Failure to complete or providing a false statement may result in fines or imprisonment.				
I/WE STATE THAT THIS <input type="checkbox"/> 5 OR <input type="checkbox"/> 6 DIGIT ODOMETER NOW READS _____ (H010)(14) MILES, DATE READ ____/____/____ AND I/WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THE ODOMETER READING:				
<input type="checkbox"/> 1. reflects ACTUAL MILEAGE. <input type="checkbox"/> 2. is IN EXCESS OF ITS MECHANICAL LIMITS. <input type="checkbox"/> 3. is NOT THE ACTUAL MILEAGE.				
WARNING - ODOMETER DISCREPANCY				
7 DEALER SALES TAX REPORT AND VEHICLE TRADE-IN INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)				
FLORIDA SALES TAX REGISTRATION NUMBER	DATE OF SALE	DEALER LICENSE NUMBER	AMOUNT OF TAX	DEALER / AGENT SIGNATURE

If you are requesting a paper title be mailed to your customer, add an additional \$2.50 for the new paper title fee.

Friendly Reminders

- Please do not issue a temporary tag after the title work has been presented to our office. This action can cause a new title to be marked as sold and the tag to be detached from the vehicle in the computer, resulting in a customer driving a vehicle that is not properly registered.
- Please make sure to create customers in the CVR system with the exact same name and DOB as on their passport or out of state driver license.
- Anytime you need to make changes with your runners, please remember to send a letterhead statement authorizing them to pick up work and fast titles.
- Please make sure that the insurance that your customer provides is a Florida policy. If they sign the HSMV 83330, they are attesting to that fact and can have their license suspended if it is not correct.
- Please make sure that both the date of sale and the odometer date are entered on each reassignment.
- Please make sure to write the FEID number on the HSMV 82040 for all companies.
- If there is no conjunction indicated on your HSMV 82040, the title will be issued with "AND" connecting all owners.
- Please do NOT use any highlighters on any title work submitted.
- Please use only blue or black ink on any title work submitted.
- Please enter the tag number to be transferred on section #2 on the HSMV 82040.

Quote:

Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.

John F. Kennedy

NMVTIS

The **National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS)** was implemented by the Department of Transportation (DOT) as a requirement of the Anti Car Theft Improvements Act of 1996. NMVTIS reduces titling of stolen cars and fraud by allowing titling agencies to verify the validity of ownership documents before they issue new titles. The Act specifies that the information within NMVTIS shall be available to jurisdictions; federal, state and local law enforcement officials; insurance carriers; and other prospective purchasers (e.g., individuals, auction companies, and used car dealers).

NMVTIS provides a means for a user of the system to:

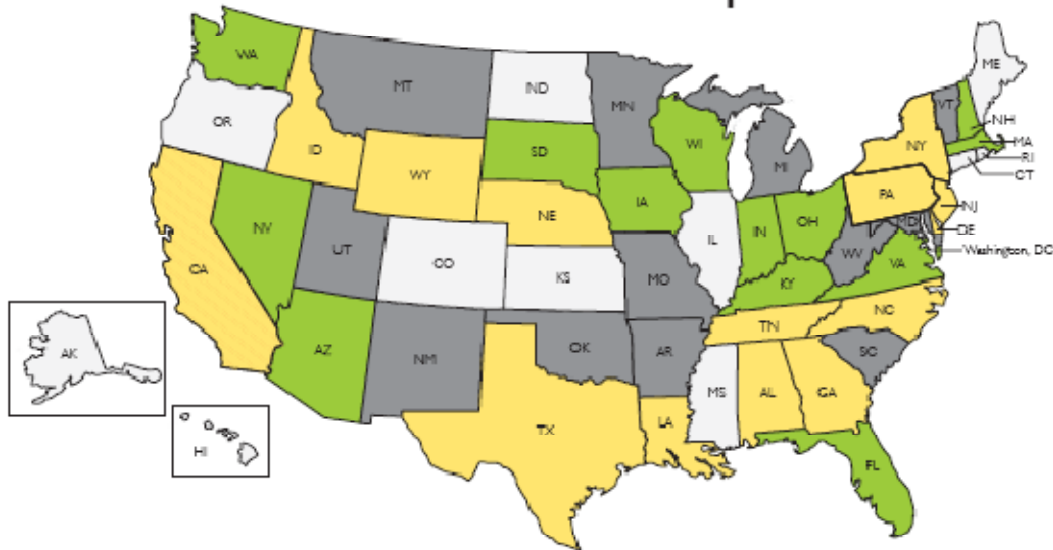
- Verify the validity and status of a manufacturer's certificate of origin (MCO).
- Verify the validity and status of a title document.
- Determine where a vehicle is currently titled.
- Determine the brand history of a vehicle.
- Determine whether a vehicle is non-repairable, salvage or otherwise branded.
- Determine a vehicle's odometer reading.
- Determine if a vehicle is reported stolen.

NMVTIS provides a means for central file operators to notify the state of title when:

- Another state as titled the vehicle.
- Another state titled the vehicle in error.

April 29, 2009

NMVTIS Participation



- 13 States Participating—states that provide data and inquire into the system before issuing new titles
- 14 States Providing Data Only—states providing data but not making inquiries
- 12 States in Development
- 12 States Not Participating (includes the District of Columbia)
- ⊗ States providing data to the system but currently restricting NMVTIS from releasing the data to consumers

Currently, 73% of the
U.S. vehicle population
is represented in the system

Notes from the office of Division of Motor Vehicles Bureau of Field Operations, Region V

DMV Communicates via Email

The Bureau of Field Operations has utilized email to contact the dealer community on several issues relevant to their business. The email included information about the latest legislative changes to include the increase in title and registration fees. We also provided more detailed information on the title paper fee, penalty fee, inspection and re-inspection fee and the voluntary electronic records inspection program. 10,056 emails were sent and 87% were successfully received.

If you did not receive an email from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, two things occurred; either we have an incorrect email address or we do not have one on file for your dealership.

Please note, one of the biggest issues we've found with using email to communicate with the dealer community is that the email address provided to this department is usually that of a specific person. Unfortunately, personnel come and go and therefore, we encourage you to use a generic email address of which key management employees have access. Just contact your local DMV Regional Office and ask a customer service representative to update your email address. It's easy, fast and you can be sure you'll receive these types of communications in the future.

Rebuilt Re-Inspection Fee

For those dealers who are in the business of rebuilding or assembling vehicles from parts, \$40 will be collected at the time

your paperwork is submitted for review. A failed physical inspection means that a part found on the vehicle either doesn't match the paperwork submitted or a part was replaced and no documentation was submitted. Should this occur, a \$20 re-inspection fee will be charged. In addition, for each subsequent review of paperwork where we notified the applicant of missing or insufficient documentation and when resubmitted, the issue still exists, a \$20 re-inspection fee will be charged.



NEW LAW PROTECTS VEHICLE SELLERS

~ Sellers now have 30 days following transaction to file form ~

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Selling your vehicle? If the answer is, “yes,” then you must notify the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or your local tax collector. Florida law now requires individuals selling a motor vehicle in the Sunshine State to submit a Notice of Sale (**Form HSMV 82050**) within 30 days of a sale.

“The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is pleased to see this important consumer protection provision incorporated into law,” said Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles Carl Ford. “We have always recommended that sellers provide us with a Notice of Sale, but the new requirement means more people will file the necessary form and protect themselves as a result.”



Newer certificates of title include a perforated portion on the top back that sellers can complete and mail to the Department or local tax collector after the sale of the vehicle. Sellers also may use a Notice of Sale (available online at www.flhsmv.gov/dmv/forms/BTR/82050.pdf) to provide the required notification. Sellers also can request a copy of the form from a DMV regional office or their local tax collector's office.

How does this new requirement protect a seller? Filing the form will remove the seller's registration from the vehicle, which may protect a seller from possible liability relating to the use of that motor vehicle if the new owner fails to transfer the vehicle title. The form also documents the sale and provides a receipt of the transaction. The Department encourages sellers to have buyers accompany them to a local office to have the vehicle title properly transferred, and we encourage sellers to maintain a copy of the Notice of Sale (preferably notarized), a copy of the certificate of title or other type of transaction document evidencing the sale.

To provide consumers with useful information, the Department recently posted

both a buyer's and seller's guide online at www.flhsmv.gov/SafetyTips/Vehicles.htm. The seller's guide provides protective measures one can take before, during and after a sale, while the buyer's guide explains what to look for when car shopping, describes buyers' rights, and includes a list of questions to ask. It also provides information on Florida's new car lemon law, warranties, titles and much more.



The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles provides highway safety and security through excellence in service, education and enforcement. The Department is leading the way to a safer Florida through the efficient and professional execution of its core mission: the issuance of driver licenses, vehicle tags and titles and operation of the Florida Highway Patrol. To learn more about DHSMV and the services offered, visit www.flhsmv.gov.

Personal Information

Auto tag agencies are not able to modify or change a customer's name in FRVIS if it is a record with a FL driver license or identification card. Also, if your customer is not a US citizen or has a career offender or sexual predator flag on their record, we are unable to make any changes to their address. In these cases, the customer will need to go to the office in person to have their license or ID corrected.



The Winter Park Tag Agency now does limited driver license services!

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

Sept. 7th – Labor Day (Office Closed)

Sept. 30th – County Local Business Tax Receipts are due.

Sept. 30th – Recreational Vehicle Dealer Licenses Expire

Oct. 12th – Columbus Day (Office Open)

Oct. 31th – Halloween (Office Open)

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