

810-5-8-.06 Affirmation of Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance.

(1) Section 32-7A-10(d), Code of Alabama 1975, provides “officials authorized to issue motor vehicle license plates shall require an affirmation that the owners are in compliance with the liability insurance requirements of this chapter on each registration and on each transfer of registration.”

(2) The Department will place in an appropriate location on the Motor Vehicle Registration Tag and Tax Receipts and the applications for apportioned vehicle registration an affirmation which will read, or substantially read as follows: “I/we certify/affirm that the information contained hereon is true and correct and that the vehicle described above is insured as required by Alabama law.

(3) Vehicle owners, when registering, renewing, or transferring their motor vehicle registration, by signing the Motor Vehicle Registration Tag and Tax Receipt or the applications for apportioned vehicle registration, shall be affirming that the vehicle(s) is/are currently insured in accordance with the provisions of Section 32-7A-4. Vehicle owners with fleet vehicles may sign an affirmation document listing all vehicles currently being registered as an alternative to signing each Registration Tag and Tax Receipt as affirmation, provided that the document contains the affirmation language shown in paragraph (2).

(4) If the motor vehicle is owned by more than one individual, only one signature by a vehicle owner is required.

(5) If the motor vehicle is being registered by someone other than an individual owner, the individual signing the Motor Vehicle Registration Tag and Tax Receipt must have personal knowledge that the vehicle is currently insured with a motor vehicle liability insurance policy (or that the vehicle is covered by a motor vehicle liability bond or a deposit of cash). License plate issuing officials shall accept the signature provided on the receipt as *prima facie* evidence that the vehicle is insured, and may accept the signature as a proper affirmation of insurance.

(6) In accordance with Section 32-7A-10(d), license plate issuing officials providing registration renewal by mail utilizing a renewal notice shall place on the renewal notice the above affirmation language with a signature line for the owner “to indicate compliance when renewing registration by mail.”

(7) License plate issuing officials offering Internet renewal shall provide a method wherein vehicle owners can electronically “sign” the affirmation of insurance.

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