



*Alabama Department
of Revenue*



Motor Vehicle Division

Legislative Changes



December 11, 2019



Registration and MLI Updates



EMS License Plate

- Act 2019-418 (Effective: January 1, 2020)
- Creates Emergency Medical Services Provider distinctive license plate
 - Additional fee of \$50
- Issued to licensed EMSP
 - Verified through ADPH Office of EMS website
 - Link to the site provided on the MVD plate page



EMS License Plate





Gas Tax

- Act 2019-2 (Effective: January 1, 2020)
- Rebuild Alabama Act Memo (October 1, 2019)
- Annual additional registration fee:
 - Battery electric vehicle \$200
 - Plug in hybrid electric vehicle \$100
- 2.5% commission retained by official
- Fees may be prorated like other license fees
- Uniform Vehicle Valuation Manual includes fuel types:
 - E (electric) \$200 due
 - P (plug-in hybrid) \$100 due
 - H (hybrid) must ask registrant if plug-in due to manufacturer differences



Gas Tax

- Attorney General Opinion 2020-005:
 - State portion of fees shall be deposited in the State General Fund until the total annual registrations of battery electric and plug-in hybrids exceed four percent of the total annual registrations.
 - Treasurer may not distribute proceeds to counties or cities.
 - Fees must be prorated in same manner as license fees for other motor vehicles that may be acquired or first brought into the state (40-12-259).
 - If prorated amount collected, it shall be distributed proportionally to state, counties and cities with any remainder to the Rebuild AL Fund.



File Format & Error Report Updates

- Changes pushed out to production on 12/9/19
- Updated fuel codes in file format (E- Electric, P- Plug-in hybrid, G – Gas, D – Diesel, etc.)
 - Uniform Vehicle Valuation Manual includes fuel type
- Changes to registration validation edits to resolve previous issues reported related to the registration error report (ex. out of state driver license)
 - If still see issues or have questions, let us know



Disposal of Unused Tags and Tag Receipts

- Per the Examiners of Public Accounts, Print on Demand (POD) excess materials may be destroyed in the same manner as any damaged/misprinted POD materials, as long as adequately documented for audit purposes.
- Disposal of surrendered and unissued tags once audited
 - Contact MVD
 - Schedule pick-up with ACI



Fleet Online Registration & Tax (FORT) Portal

- Act 2019-129 (Effective: May 8, 2019)
- Establish Advisory Committee – met November 20th
- DOR portal to allow registration and renewal of fleet vehicles (January 1, 2022)
- Fleet – 50 or more vehicles less than 12,000 lbs.
- DOR will calculate ad valorem tax and issue “fleet” license plate
- DOR rule making authority to expand to other vehicles (i.e. IRP)



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Act 2019-446 (Effective: January 1, 2020)
- Eliminate 4 mo. suspension period
- Reduce lookback period for 2nd and subsequent violations to 3 years
- Increase licensing official's commission on reinstatement fee from 10% to 15%
- Change distribution date to 20th of the month
- Increase annual amount retained by licensing official's office from \$10K to \$25K



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Tag must be surrendered to official when claiming stored/inoperable exemption
 - Voluntarily Surrender prior to insurance lapse (Poster)
 - Within 30 calendar days from receipt of MLI Verification Notice
 - Use Form MV 32-7A-5 Request for Registration Revocation to surrender tag
- County registration record must be updated to “revoked” and uploaded to DOR
- Exempt response can only be claimed once per year per vehicle



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MV 32-7A-5
10/19

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Request for Registration Revocation Form

This affidavit should be completed by any registrant surrendering the registration and a associated license plate prior to the motor vehicle no longer being covered by a liability insurance policy in accordance with Section 32-7A-5, Code of Ala. 1975.

REGISTRANT 1 NAME: _____

ADDRESS 1 (CITY, STATE, ZIP): _____

REGISTRANT 2 NAME: _____

ADDRESS 2 (CITY, STATE, ZIP): _____

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN):

VEHICLE INFORMATION (YEAR, MAKE, MODEL):

LICENSE PLATE NUMBER: _____

I/we hereby certify under penalties of perjury to be the lawful and true owner(s) of the vehicle described above and that this vehicle has not been operated without liability insurance coverage in accordance with Section 32-7A-4, Code of Ala. 1975.

REGISTRANT 1: _____ (SIGNATURE) _____ (DATE)

REGISTRANT 2: _____ (SIGNATURE) _____ (DATE)

License official must ensure the registration record, as uploaded to the state registration database, has been revoked. This form should be retained by the licensing official along with the surrendered license plate for audit purposes.



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Exempt response cannot be claimed if vehicle was involved in crash or citation (MLI system links)
 - Vehicle cannot be operated on or after insurance verification date
- Rule 810-5-8-.06 establishes “good cause” exceptions
 - Use Form MV 32-7A-11 Mandatory Liability Insurance Affidavit
- Good cause documentation and completed forms should be uploaded to MLI system
- Revocation notice may be printed by licensing office from MLI system



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Mandatory Liability Insurance Affidavit

This affidavit should be completed by any registrant requesting an extension to claiming the vehicle was stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused for good cause in accordance with Section 32-7A-11, Code of Ala. 1975. In order to qualify for the extension of time, the applicant must submit this form to the local licensing official within thirty (30) calendar days from the date the good cause event claimed below ceases.

NOTE: All of the following conditions must be met:

- The license plate must be surrendered to the local licensing official;
- The vehicle was not involved in an accident during the lapse in coverage;
- The registrant or a driver of the vehicle was not issued a citation during the lapse in coverage while operating the vehicle on a public road or highway; and
- The exemption was not previously claimed during the current registration period for the vehicle.

REGISTRANT 1 NAME: _____

ADDRESS 1 (CITY, STATE, ZIP): _____

REGISTRANT 2 NAME: _____

ADDRESS 2 (CITY, STATE, ZIP): _____

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (VIN):

VEHICLE INFORMATION (YEAR, MAKE, MODEL):

LICENSE PLATE NUMBER: _____

INSURANCE VERIFICATION DATE: _____

Please select the applicable reason (Documentation required based on selection below. Note that the documentation presented must be to the satisfaction of the licensing official):

- Vehicle was impounded (evidence required).
- Registrant, by evidence of military orders, was stationed or deployed outside Alabama.
- Registrant was incarcerated (evidence required).
- Registrant was hospitalized or otherwise medically incapacitated (evidence required).

I/we hereby certify under penalties of perjury to be the lawful and true owner(s) of the vehicle described above and that this vehicle has not been operated during the lapse in liability insurance coverage.

SIGNATURE 1: _____

(SIGNATURE)

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE 2: _____

(SIGNATURE)

DATE: _____



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Notice of Registration Revocation

October 22, 2019

Doe, John
100 Flower Lane
Montgomery, AL 36116

INSURANCE VERIFICATION DATE: 4/22/2019
VEHICLE: Toyota Camry
VIN: [REDACTED]
LICENSE PLATE: [REDACTED]
PIN: ER9D6Y

The department received your response that the above referenced vehicle was stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused on the insurance verification date, and has determined that all of the following conditions have been met in order to claim the exemption:

- The license plate was surrendered to the local licensing official;
- The vehicle was not involved in an accident during the lapse in coverage;
- The registrant or a driver of the vehicle was not issued a citation during the lapse in coverage while operating the vehicle; and
- The exemption was not previously claimed during the current registration period for the vehicle.

As a result, the vehicle registration is hereby revoked, as of the date of this notice, in accordance with Section 32-7A-11, Code of Ala 1975, for the remainder of the registration period. In the event that the vehicle for which the registration is revoked is no longer stored, inoperable or otherwise unused, a new registration and license plate must be obtained before operating the vehicle. By claiming this exemption, reinstatement of the vehicle's registration following any further lapse in coverage during the current registration period will require the payment of reinstatement fees.

If further assistance is needed, please visit www.besuretoinsureal.com, contact your local licensing official, or call the Motor Vehicle Division at (334) 242-9000.



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Insurance Verification Notice (letter format)
 - Mailed by DOR when MLI case is created
 - Notifies vehicle owner that registration will be suspended in 30 days if not resolved.
 - Replaces postcard questionnaires
 - Old postcard responses still to be processed until phased out



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Notice of Suspension
 - Mailed by DOR if MLI case is not resolved within 30 days
 - Notifies vehicle owner that registration is suspended as of the date of the notice of suspension.
 - Suspension is effective immediately
 - Vehicle owner still has 30 days to appeal



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Notice of Registration Suspension

October 22, 2019

John, Doe
100 Flower Lane
Montgomery, AL 36116

INSURANCE VERIFICATION DATE: 4/21/2019
VEHICLE: Toyota Camry
VIN: [REDACTED]
LICENSE PLATE: [REDACTED]
PIN: EF8W7S

Alabama's mandatory liability insurance law is designed to protect Alabama drivers by requiring insurance verification. Noncompliance may result in a registration suspension and reinstatement fee.

Unfortunately, the department was unable to verify liability insurance coverage for the above referenced vehicle on the insurance verification date identified above. **Therefore, registration has been suspended as required by Section 32-7A-8, Code of Ala 1975.** If the vehicle was covered on this date, evidence of continuous liability insurance coverage for the vehicle may be provided to your local licensing official in order to remove the registration suspension.

If you previously responded to the MLI Verification Notice, you may be receiving this notice because your vehicle's insurance policy could not be confirmed with your insurer on the above insurance verification date. If you had insurance on the insurance verification date, it is suggested that you contact your insurer for further assistance in providing evidence of insurance coverage.

If you qualify to claim an insurance exemption because the vehicle was stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused on the insurance verification date, please visit www.besuretoinsureal.com or contact your local licensing official for further information.

If the vehicle was not insured with an Alabama-licensed insurance company on the above insurance verification date and the vehicle did not qualify to claim the stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused exemption provided under Section 32-7A-11, Code of Ala 1975, a reinstatement fee and proof of current insurance on the above vehicle must be provided to your local licensing official in order to remove the registration suspension.

If further assistance is needed, please visit www.besuretoinsureal.com, contact your local licensing official, or call the Motor Vehicle Division at (334) 242-9000.



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Registrant Response System (www.besuretoinsureal.com) allows registrant to respond once:
- Responses (registrant can only respond once)
 - Yes (insurance confirmed)
 - Yes (insurance unconfirmed)
 - No (not insured)
 - System instructs registrant to go to licensing official's office to pay reinstatement fees
 - No (exempt)



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Registrant Response System Yes Response-Insurance Confirmed.

Your response has been recorded.

The submitted insurance information was confirmed for the insurance verification date.

The record has been closed, no further action is necessary.



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Registrant Response System Yes Response-Insurance Unconfirmed.

Your response has been recorded.

The submitted insurance information was NOT confirmed for the insurance verification date.

If the vehicle was insured on the insurance verification date, contact your insurer to request that they provide evidence (statement on insurer's letterhead, etc.) of insurance coverage indicating that the vehicle was covered on the insurance verification date. This evidence can be submitted electronically to the Alabama Department of Revenue at www.besuretoinsureal.com or it can submitted to your local licensing official.

If the vehicle was not insured on the insurance verification date, visit your local licensing official to pay the required reinstatement fee (\$200 for first suspension; \$400 for second and subsequent suspension) and provide evidence of current Alabama liability insurance coverage. **If the vehicle was stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused please visit your local licensing official to surrender the tag within thirty days from date of the MLI Verification Notice. Failure to surrender the license plate within 30 days of the MLI Verification Notice will result in suspension of the vehicle registration.**



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Registrant Response System No Response

Your response has been recorded.

If the vehicle was insured on the insurance verification date, contact your insurer to request that they provide evidence (statement on insurer's letterhead, etc.) of insurance coverage indicating that the vehicle was covered on the insurance verification date. This evidence can be submitted electronically to the Alabama Department of Revenue at www.besuretoinsureal.com or it can be submitted to your local licensing official.

If the vehicle was not insured on the insurance verification date, visit your local licensing official to pay the required reinstatement fee (\$200 for first suspension; \$400 for second and subsequent suspension) and provide evidence of current Alabama liability insurance coverage. **If the vehicle was stored, inoperable, or otherwise unused please visit your local licensing official to surrender the license plate within thirty days from date of the MLI Verification Notice. Failure to surrender your license plate within 30 days of the MLI Verification Notice will result in suspension of your vehicle registration.**



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Registrant Response System No (Exempt) Response

Your response has been recorded.

Visit your local licensing official to surrender the license plate within thirty days from the date of the MLI Verification Notice in order to complete the exemption claim. Failure to surrender your license plate within 30 days will result in the suspension of the vehicle registration.



Mandatory Liability Insurance

- Collecting Reinstatement Fees
 - Only at a local licensing office (32-7A-12)
 - Department, including Taxpayer Service Centers, can no longer accept payments
 - Reinstatement notice may be printed by licensing office from MLI system



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Notice of Registration Reinstatement

December 3, 2019

Doe, John

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Montgomery, AL 36117

VEHICLE: Toyota Camry

VIN: [REDACTED]

LICENSE PLATE: [REDACTED]

ISSUED BY: [REDACTED]

COUNTY: Montgomery

The motor vehicle registration for the vehicle described above has been reinstated by the local license plate issuing official.

This document serves as evidence of the registration reinstatement in accordance with Section 32-7A-17 Code of Ala 1975, of the Mandatory Liability Insurance (MLI) law. This registration reinstatement is valid for 30 days from the date of this correspondence. The registrant or driver of the above referenced vehicle may present this document as evidence of compliance with the MLI law upon demand to law enforcement.

Any driver convicted of operating an Alabama-registered vehicle without liability insurance coverage as required by Alabama law, or with suspended or revoked vehicle registration, will be subject to fines and possible impoundment of the vehicle as outlined in Section 32-7A-16, Code of Ala 1975.

If further assistance is needed, please contact your local licensing official, or call the Motor Vehicle Division at (334) 242-9000.



MLI System Updates

- Updated MLI Manual
 - MVTRIP/MLI Application Screen
 - From within MLI Record
- Elimination of Codes
 - DS – same as open (OP)
 - ID – same as open (OP)
 - R3 – same as closed (CL)



Reports

- Temporary Tag and MLI Reinstatement Reports
 - Reinstatement report (MLI system)
 - 20-day Temporary Tag report (PROS system)
 - Remitted to Comptroller's Office
 - Remit on 20th of each month – same as other fees (Ex. Dec. MLI reinstatement report on Jan. 20th)
- Upload Comptroller report to secure FTP folder – DOT report discontinued



MLI Administrative Rules

- Updating all MLI rules from recent law changes
 - Amended
 - 810-5-8-.01 – Certificate of MV Liability Bond, Cert. of Cash Bond and Satisfaction of Judgements
 - 810-5-8-.07
 - Repeal and Replace
 - 810-5-8-.06 New Rule entitled – MLI Registration Suspension, Reinstatement, and Revocation Procedures
 - Repeals – language in law or other rules
 - 810-5-8-.02
 - 810-5-8-.03
 - 810-5-8-.04
 - 810-5-8-.05
 - 810-5-8-.08
 - 810-5-8-.10



Titles and Dealer License Updates



Title Service Provider

- Act 2019-238 (Effective: October 1, 2019)
- Allows a title service provider to perform designated agent duties for a licensed dealer
 - Application package available online
- Title service provider
 - Any person who acts as an agent for a licensed dealer
 - Must be bonded like a designated agent
- Admin Rule 810-5-75-.52.01
- Notify MVD of anyone in your county acting as an unregistered title service provider



Title Service Provider

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Information for motor vehicle dealers and automotive dismantler & parts recyclers.

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Manufactured Homes


- Act 2019-239 (Effective: January 1, 2020)
- Exempts year models 1999 & older
- Expands titling of MH to MH's older than 20 model years
- Clarifies additional \$5 MH title fee shall be collected for each unit (side) of a MH subject to titling



Abandoned Vehicles

- Act 2019-245 (Effective: January 1, 2020)
- Increases title hold from 45 to 60 days
 - Unless vehicle is redeemed or sold as abandoned
- Purchaser must post title surety bond if vehicle is not sold by a bonded agent
 - Towing companies are designated agents
 - Revised Abandoned Bill of Sale
 - Message on ALTS Pre-qualifier Screen
- Purchaser has one year to apply for title without posting bond if vehicle is purchased from bonded agent
- Admin Rule 810-5-75-.64

Abandoned Vehicle Bill of Sale



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MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION
Abandoned Motor Vehicle Bill of Sale

MVT 22-13B
(01/01/2020)

VIN: _____ Year: _____ Report Code: _____
 Make: _____ Model: _____ Abandoned Date: _____
 Sale Date: _____ Location of Sale: _____

Dates on which the notice of sale was published (if required):
 Name of Newspaper/Courthouse Posting: N/A
 Date of 1st Publication/Courthouse Posting: N/A (must at least thirty (30) days prior to date of sale)
 Date of 2nd Publication/Courthouse Posting: N/A (must be one (1) week from date of 1st publication)

Notice of Termination was sent to owner and/or lienholder of record on the following date: _____

INFORMATION ON NET PROCEEDS OF SALE OF ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE:

1. Sale Price of Abandoned Motor Vehicle	_____
2. Amount of Repair	_____
3. Towing Expenses	_____
4. Storage Expenses	_____
5. Other	_____
6. Total Amount Deducted from Sale Price (total lines 2 through 5)	_____
7. Net Sale Balance (line 1 minus line 6 – if zero or less, enter -0-)	_____

(This amount shall be paid to the county licensing official for deposit into the county general fund and a copy of the receipt of such funds must accompany this form.)

Buyer's Signature: _____ Buyer's Signature: _____
 Buyer's Name: _____ Buyer's Name: _____
 Buyer's Address: _____ Buyer's Address: _____

The seller hereby affirms that this vehicle was sold to the buyer listed above as an abandoned motor vehicle in accordance with the provisions of Title 32, Chapter 13, Code of Ala. 1975. The seller also hereby affirms that the above information is true and correct and the seller is aware that a false statement made on this document, with intent to defraud, is a criminal offense under the Alabama Uniform Certificate of Title and Antitheft Law as codified in Title 32, Chapter 8, Code of Ala. 1975.

Seller's Signature: _____
 Seller's Name: _____
 Seller's Address: _____

*All VINs for 1981 and subsequent year model vehicles that conform to federal anti-theft standards are required to have 17 digits/characters.
 Alterations or illegible information void this form.

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NOTE: Buyer must obtain a title surety bond in order to title the vehicle. (bonds.mvtrip.alabama.gov)



ALTS Updates

- ETAPS API service no longer available (Dec. 2, 2019)
- DA Lockout Feature
 - Apps must be received by ADOR within thirty (30) days from creation
 - Apps may be placed on “HOLD” for an additional thirty (30) days
- Adding a lienholder question in ALTS
 - Must be answered prior to completing application
- Public Title Portal (<https://title.mvtrip.alabama.gov/>)
 - Apply for Replacement Title
 - Check Application Status
 - Check Undeliverable Titles
 - Applications Coming Soon (Add lien, Salvage, Rebuilt Owner Retention)
- Document Upload Feature



Dealer Tags & License

- Act 2019-244 (Effective: October 1, 2020)
- Result of HJR14 (2018) to research and draft recommendations to combat curbstoning and abandoned vehicle fraud
- DOR responsible for issuing dealer tags
- Dealer must have state regulatory license and county license before tag is issued



Dealer Tags & License

- Metal DT tag replaced by temporary 7-day DT tag issued by DOR
- Temporary DT/Auction tag - \$5
- Manufacturer tags issued by DOR
- Penalty for first violation of dealer tag law increased from \$100 to \$200



Dealer Tags & License

- Local official cannot collect ad valorem or sales tax on vehicle in dealer inventory when “standard” plate is issued
- Creates master dealer license – eliminates separate wholesale and rebuilder license
- Penalty for delinquent dealer license - 15% of license fee after grace period (Oct)
- Increases bond from \$25K to \$50K
- Allows DOR to adjust license fee



Dealer Tags & License

- Penalty for failure to obtain license
 - \$500 for first offense
 - \$1,000 for second or subsequent offense
- No person, other than licensed dealer, may sell vehicle without title reflecting person as owner
- Local licensing official or law enforcement may impound vehicle



Dealer Tags & License

- Creates “facilitator” license for off-site sales - \$25
- Facilitator is any person who facilitates an off-site sale, including the property owner
- Must apply for license 10 days before sale
- Facilitator must provide names of participating licensed dealers who must also obtain an off-site license prior to sale
- Penalties: 1st - \$500 2nd - \$1,000



Dealer Tags & License

- Creates motor vehicle wholesale auction license issued by DOR
- Any person in the business of buying, selling, exchanging or facilitating the sale of vehicles at wholesale to licensed dealers
- Licensed and bonded similar to dealer
- DOR may establish electronic reporting requirements regarding sale of vehicles



Contact Us

- Telephone number: (334) 242-9000
- Licensing Offices select option 5
- Provide name, county and reason for call
- MVD staff should identify themselves
- email: MVD@revenue.alabama.gov
- Report any issues to MVD management