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IMPORTANT NOTICE

TO: All Dealers

FROM: Division of Motor Vehicles

RE: MODEL YEAR CHANGEOVER AND SEVEN-YEAR REGISTRATION PROGRAM

The model year changeover on October 1, 2025, changes the new model year vehicles that are permitted to obtain a seven-year registration. Effective October 1, 2025, new current model year vehicles (meaning the 2026 model year), which are registering at 10,000 pounds or less and have never been titled in or registered in any state, may be initially registered for up to seven (7) years. Also effective October 1, 2025, previous model-year new vehicles (meaning the 2020 to 2025 model years), which are registering at 10,000 pounds or less and have never been titled or registered in any state, may be initially registered for up to six (6) years depending on the model year. The fee for registration is calculated by multiplying the yearly registration fee by the number of years the vehicle is to be registered. Please refer to the DMV Fee Calculator on our website:

https://dealers.dmv.de.gov/Dealer/FeeCalculator/Index1

Additionally, effective October 1, 2025, out of state used vehicles (model years 2020 to 2025) which are registering at 10,000 pounds or less, can be registered for up to six (6) years without a full inspection, depending on the model year of the vehicle. These vehicles are required to have a vehicle identification number (VIN) verification prior to being titled. Dealers should obtain this verification at a Division inspection lane prior to selling the vehicle or Delaware dealers can apply for approval to verify their own VINs. This will ensure a title can be obtained in the event a customer is unable to have the VIN verified.

The attached tables provide information regarding the number of years a vehicle can be registered in the Inspection Exemption Program. Ensure your title specialists and salespeople are aware of this program and are provided these charts.

NOTE:

Dealer work sent to the Dover Administrative Office for new 2025 and used 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 model year vehicles must be titled by September 30, 2025, to ensure seven-, six-, five-, four-, and three-year registrations are processed prior to the model year changeover. Dealers who do not send blank checks or credit card information may have their paperwork returned for incorrect funds if the work is not completed by September 30, 2025.

NEW VEHICLE TITLE REGISTRATION CHART

Vehicles with a Certificate of Origin, with a registered weight of 10,000 pounds or less, and a VIN Verification, being titled between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026. Vehicle is exempt from a full DMV inspection.

VIN Verification at Delaware DMV or dealer must complete VIN Verification on form MV212.

Vehicle Model Year	Registration Options
2026	1 TO 7 YEARS
2025	1 TO 6 YEARS
2024	1 TO 5 YEARS
2023	1 TO 4 YEARS
2022	1 TO 3 YEARS
2021	1 TO 2 YEARS
2020	1 YEAR ONLY

OUT OF STATE USED VEHICLE TITLE REGISTRATION CHART

Used vehicles with an Out of State title, with a registered weight of 10,000 pounds or less, and a VIN Verification, being titled between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026. Vehicle is exempt from a full DMV inspection. VIN Verification at Delaware DMV required on form MV212 unless Delaware dealer has approval to verify VIN's.

Vehicle Model Year	Registration Options
2026	1 TO 6 YEARS
2025	1 TO 6 YEARS
2024	1 TO 5 YEARS
2023	1 TO 4 YEARS
2022	1 TO 3 YEARS
2021	1 TO 2 YEARS
2020	1 YEAR ONLY

DELAWARE TITLED USED VEHICLE REGISTRATION CHART

Vehicles titled with a Delaware title with a registered weight of 10,000 pounds or less.

Registration options are restricted by initial Delaware title date

Vehicle Model Year	Registration Options
2026	1 TO 6 YEARS
2025	1 TO 6 YEARS
2024	1 TO 5 YEARS
2023	1 TO 4 YEARS
2022	1 TO 3 YEARS
2021	1 TO 2 YEARS
2020	1 YEAR ONLY

NEW VEHICLE TITLE REGISTRATION CHART

Vehicles with a Certificate of Origin, with a registered weight of 10,001 and above, and a VIN Verification, being titled between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026.

VIN Verification at Delaware DMV or dealer must complete VIN Verification on form MV212.

Vehicle Model Year	Registration Options
2026	1 TO 2 YEARS
2025	1 YEAR ONLY

OUT OF STATE USED VEHICLE TITLE REGISTRATION CHART

Vehicles with an Out of State title, with a registered weight of 10,001 and above, and a VIN Verification, being titled between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026.

VIN Verification at Delaware DMV required on form MV212 unless Delaware dealer has approval to verify VIN's.

Vehicle Model Year	Registration Options
2026	1 YEAR ONLY
2025 AND OLDER	REQUIRES FULL INSPECTION