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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

TO: All Dealers

FROM: Division of Motor Vehicles

**DATE:** 08/25/2025

**SUBJECT: Vehicle Document Fee and Alternative Fuel Vehicle Fee Change** 

The following are the new fees that go into effect on October 1, 2025:

## **Document Fee**

As outlined in HB 164, located at <a href="https://legis.delaware.gov/BillDetail/142312">https://legis.delaware.gov/BillDetail/142312</a>, the document fee for all motor vehicles, except mobile homes, will increase October 1, 2025, to \$5.25 per each \$100 (5.25%) of purchase price or any fraction thereof, rounded to the nearest dollar. The minimum document fees (\$8.00 for a purchase price of \$0 to \$399 and \$13.75 for a purchase price of \$400 to \$500) do not change. Please visit our website for additional information regarding document fees: <a href="Dealer's Portal">Dealer's Portal</a>

Please note that all vehicles sold prior to October 1, 2025, as evidenced by a Dealer Bill of Sale, but titled on or after November 1, 2025, will be required to pay the increased document fee. There will be no exceptions; ensure all work is submitted timely.

The following information describes the implementation dates and operational requirements for dealers to comply with House Bill 164:

- 1. Dealers must ensure their paperwork is delivered to the Division or submitted via eSubmission timely so the work can be completed by the final processing date of October 31, 2025. Dealers requesting a customer's title from a lienholder should advise the customer they may be responsible for the new fees if the title is not returned and processed by that date.
- Beginning on September 15, 2025, the Division requests that dealers submit all work for vehicles sold prior to October 1, 2025, in a separate folder marked "Process Under Old Fees" or submitted via eSubmission under process type "Process Under New Fees." This will ensure the Division processes these folders first.

Please contact Dealer Services at 302-857-4665 or dot\_mtrvdealerserviceshelpdesk@delaware.gov or eSubmission at DMVeSubmission@delaware.gov with questions.

## **Alternative Vehicle Fee and Dealer Licensing Fees**

Delaware has implemented a new fee for registering alternative fuel vehicles (AFV) in accordance with 21 *Del.C.* §2151A. **The AFV fee is in addition to the standard annual vehicle registration fees**. The purpose of this fee is to support the Delaware Transportation Trust Fund, which is vital for funding road and bridge improvements and other transportation infrastructure projects that support safety on our roadways. Additional details will be provided on the DMV Dealer Portal in the coming weeks.

Additionally, HB 164 includes a new fee schedule for initial dealer licenses and on the renewal of licenses. This fee applies to all dealer license types.

Fee Description	Weight	New Fee Amount	Frequency
Additional AFV Registration Fee	6,000 lbs or less	\$110	Annual
	6,001-10,000 lbs	\$150	Annual
	10,001 to 26,000	\$260	Annual
	Over 26,000 lbs	\$900	Annual
Additional AFV registration fee - plug-in vehicle	6,000 lbs or less	\$85	Annual
	6,001-10,000 lbs	\$115	Annual
	10,001 to 26,000	\$200	Annual
	Over 26,000 lbs	\$600	Annual
Additional AFV Registration Fee non-plug-in electric vehicle	6,000 lbs or less	\$60	Annual
	6,001-10,000 lbs	\$80	Annual
	10,001 to 26,000	\$140	Annual
	Over 26,000 lbs	\$480	Annual
Additional AFV Registration Fee Other fuel vehicle	6,000 lbs or less	\$110	Annual
	6,001-10,000 lbs	\$150	Annual
	10,001 to 26,000	\$260	Annual
	Over 26,000 lbs	\$900	Annual
Additional AFV Fee for Motorcycles – Plug-In, non-plug- in or Other Fuel	N/A	\$15	Annual
New Dealer License Fee	N/A	\$100	As needed
New Dealer Renewal License Fee	N/A	\$50	Annual