

TECHNICAL ADVISORY

DIVISION OF MOTORIST SERVICES

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SUBJECT: Legislative Changes For Motor Vehicle Registrations,

Vessels, Virtual Office and Driver Licenses

Effective July 1, 2016

Overview:

The 2016 Legislature passed various bills resulting in changes to motor vehicle and driver license laws, which become effective on July 1, 2016.

Details:

FRVIS Changes:

1. Registrants who have a change of address will have 30 days to report such change to the department. All registration certificates have been modified changing the requirements from 20 days to 30 days.

The change is reflected on line three (3) of the important information located on the vehicle registration form, as shown below.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

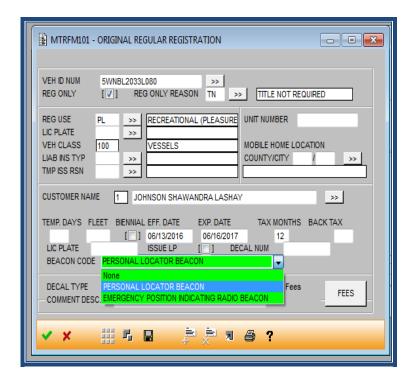
- The Florida license plate must remain with the registrant upon sale of vehicle.
- The registration must be delivered to a Tax Collector or Tag Agent for transfer to a replacement vehicle.
- Your registration must be updated to your new address within 30 days of moving.
- Registration renewals are the responsibility of the registrant and shall occur during the 30-day period prior to the expiration date shown on this registration. Renewal notices are provided as a courtesy and are not required for renewal purposes.
- I understand that my driver license and registrations will be suspended immediately if the insurer denies the insurance information submitted for this registration.

2. FRVIS has been modified to provide a registration fee reduction to individuals or businesses that own a recreational vessel equipped with an emergency position-indicating radio beacon (EPIRB) or who own a personal locater beacon (PLB). These individuals and businesses may be eligible to receive a vessel registration fee reduction when applying for an original or renewal vessel registration at their local Tax Collector's office.

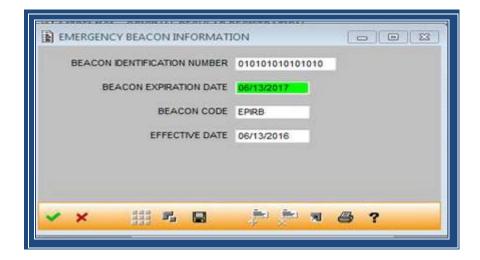
Vessel Fee Reduction Requirements:

- The vessel Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) or Personal Locater Beacon (PLB) is currently registered with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) at www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov
- A valid beacon registration certificate must be presented at the time of the vessel(s) registration at the local Tax Collector's office.
- The emergency position indicating radio beacon (EPIRB) fee reduction will be allowed for the primary registrant for all vessels per registration period.
- The personal locater beacon (PLB) fee reduction will be allowed for the primary registrant for one (1) vessel per registration period.
- The emergency beacon credit will be allowed for only one year when a biennial registration transaction is being processed.
- The registration fee reduction is valid from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The amount of the credit depends on the length of the vessel. (See chart below).

FRVIS modifications were added to allow issuance personnel to select the beacon code from a drop-down menu during an original or renewal registration transaction.



Once the emergency beacon code is selected, completion of the beacon ID number, expiration date, beacon code type and effective date of NOAA certificate must be entered and validated for the fee reduction to occur.



Registration Fee Chart for Recreational Vessels with either an EPIRB or PLB certification.

Vessel Classification	Length	Current Fee	Reduced Fee	Fee Reduction Savings
Class A-1	Less than 12 Feet	\$5.50	\$4.24	\$1.26
Class A-2	12 to less than 16 Feet	\$16.25	\$13.77	\$2.48
Class 1	16 to less than 26 Feet	\$28.75	\$24.83	\$3.92
Class 2	26 to less than 40 Feet	\$78.25	\$68.56	\$9.69
Class 3	40 to less than 65 Feet	\$127.75	\$112.31	\$15.44
Class 4	65 to less than 110 Feet	\$152.75	\$134.41	\$18.34
Class 5	110 or more in length	\$189.75	\$167.11	\$22.64

For additional information regarding Emergency Locator Beacons visit, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at:

http://myfwc.com/boating/safety-education

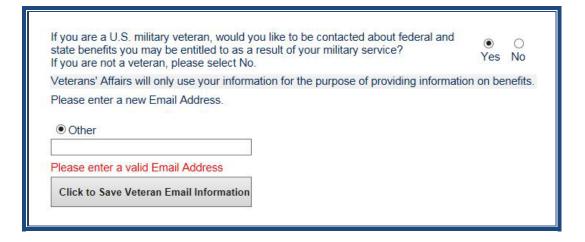
DHSMV Internet

The department has created a public facing website where operators of a "covered farm vehicle" can print a designation for their vehicle, if it meets the criteria for exemption from certain federal commercial vehicle regulations. The website will be operational on July 1, 2016. We will provide the address as soon as it has been finalized.

The owners of commercial motor vehicles wanting to designate their vehicle as a covered farm vehicle may complete the self-certification process online and print a paper certificate. The certificate is to be carried in the vehicle at all times and is subject to verification by law enforcement.

Virtual Office

Florida Statute now requires all applications for a Florida driver license or ID card to include a check box for veterans to indicate they would like their contact information provided to the Florida Department of Veteran Affairs (FDVA). FDVA's support agencies use the data to provide information to veterans regarding benefits the veterans may be interested in and entitled to receiving. This process currently exists in the Florida Driver License Issuance System (FDLIS) and the Florida Real-time Vehicle Information System (FRVIS) and will now be included in the department's online issuance system Virtual Office (VO).



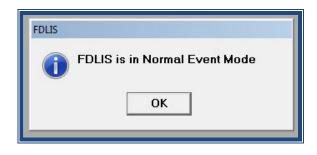
FDLIS

Department of Juvenile Justice

Florida Statute provides for a free identification card for individuals under the custody of, or in supervision with the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)

FDLIS has been modified to allow the issuance of a no fee original, renewal or replacement ID card for juveniles in custody or under supervision of the DJJ. These issuances are only allowed on the FLOW mobile unit during a DJJ event.

Upon launching the FDLIS application, after the FDLIS user role is selected, FDLIS will inform issuance personnel of the event mode the FLOW mobile unit is currently configured for:







FLOW issuance personnel can configure the event mode (FDOC, DJJ or Normal) for FLOW mobile units through the FDLIS, Table Maintenance, Office Information, Edit Office Information screen:

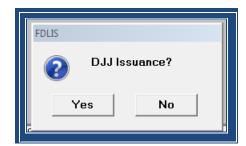


Normal Mode:

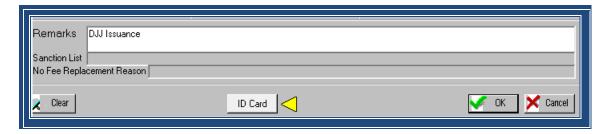
When the FLOW mobile unit is in Normal Event Mode, issuance personnel will not receive a DJJ or FDOC prompt and the FDLIS Remarks line will not be populated.

DJJ Mode:

When the FLOW mobile unit is in DJJ Event Mode, the following prompt is presented to issuance personnel to confirm a no-fee DJJ issuance:



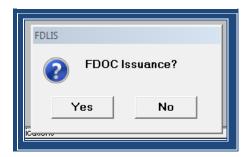
If the issuance personnel selects 'Yes' on the DJJ issuance prompt, the issuance fee is waived and a comment "DJJ Issuance" is placed on the FDLIS Remarks line:



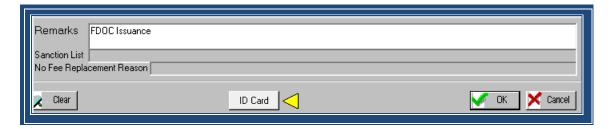
If the issuance personnel selects 'No' on the DJJ Issuance prompt, the issuance fee is charged as applicable and the FDLIS "Remarks" line will not be populated.

FDOC Mode:

When the FLOW mobile unit is in FDOC Event Mode, the following prompt is presented to the issuance personnel to confirm a no-fee FDOC issuance:



If the issuance personnel selects 'Yes' on the FDOC Issuance prompt, the issuance fee is waived and a comment "FDOC Issuance" is placed on the FDLIS "Remarks" line:



If the issuance personnel selects 'No' on the FDOC Issuance popup, the issuance fee is charged as applicable and the FDLIS "Remarks" line will not be populated.

Conclusion:

If you need additional information, please contact your next level of management or the Field Support Help Desk.