

Motor Vehicle Procedure Manual
Registration
Sunscreening Medical Exemption Certificate

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Legal Authority

[Section 316.29545, Florida Statutes](#), provides for the issuance of medical exemption certificates to persons who are afflicted with Lupus, any autoimmune disease, or other medical conditions which require limited exposure to light and are permitted to have sun screening material on the windshield, side windows, and windows behind the driver which would otherwise be a violation of the requirements of sections 316.2951-316.2957, Florida Statutes.

[Section 316.29545\(1\), Florida Statutes](#), requires FLHSMV to consult with the Medical Advisory Board established in s. [322.125](#) for guidance with respect to the autoimmune diseases and other medical conditions which shall be included on the [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption form HSMV 83390](#).

Description and Use

This procedure provides information and instructions to assist employees of the tax collector, license plate agents, and the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) in processing applications for sun screening medical exemption certificates.

General Information

- A. Vehicles titled and registered in Florida are eligible for sunscreen tinting. FLHSMV processes all sun screening request transactions. All required documentation must be mailed to:

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
Location: Room A201 MS# 97
Neil Kirkman Building, 2900 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL. 32399

- B. The medical exemption certificate is non-transferable and will become invalid upon the sale or transfer of the vehicle identified on the certificate.
- C. Only one medical exemption certificate may be issued for each motor vehicle.
When applying for a medical exemption certificate for more than one motor vehicle, fees are applicable for each additional motor vehicle.
- D. The form HSMV 83391, Sunscreening Medical Exemption Certificate, is always issued to the registered owner of the motor vehicle. The registered owner of the motor vehicle may or may not be the person with the medical condition. The person with the medical condition would NOT be required to add his/her name to the vehicle title or registration.

Example: John Doe is the registered owner of a motor vehicle. His minor child is afflicted with Lupus, an autoimmune disease, or other medical conditions, which require a limited exposure to light. John Doe needs sun screening material on the windows of his vehicle since his child is transported regularly in the vehicle. The [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption form HSMV 83390](#), must be completed by the child's physician and the parent may sign the form for the child as the natural guardian. The child's name would be shown on the form as the person with the medical condition, along with the name of the registered owner of the vehicle. The exemption certificate would be issued in the registered owner's name and must be kept in the vehicle's glove compartment for verification of the exemption.

If the registered owner of a motor vehicle acquires a new vehicle or an additional vehicle, he/she is not required to complete the “Physician’s Statement of Certification” on the [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption form HSMV 83390](#). Once a “Physician’s Statement of Certification” is on file, it is not required again. While the Sunscreening Medical Exemption is non-transferable and becomes invalid upon the sale or transfer of the vehicle identified on the exemption, the “Physician’s Statement of Certification” is permanent.

- E. The registered motor vehicle owner is responsible for having the sun screening material removed before selling/transferring the vehicle.
- F. If the registered motor vehicle owner is employed with a company for which he/she must operate a motor vehicle, the company’s owner must give written permission on the company’s letterhead authorizing the placement of sun screening on the company vehicle.

Documentation Required and Special Instructions

- A. Form [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption - HSMV 83390](#) completed by the person with the medical condition.
- B. The certification section on the [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption - HSMV 83390](#), must be completed by one of the following certified authorities:
 - 1. Physician or physician assistant licensed to practice under Chapters 458, 459, or 460, Florida Statutes.
 - 2. Dermatologist licensed to practice under Chapter 458 or 459, Florida Statutes.
 - 3. Physician who practices medicine in a military medical facility, state hospital or federal prison must complete in detail the “Physician’s Statement of Certification” on form HSMV 83390, indicating the facility and the address.
 - 4. Adjudication Office of United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the US Veterans Administration.
 - 5. An advanced practice registered nurse practitioner licensed under Chapter 464 under the protocol of a licensed physician.

C. One of the following is required for proof of identification:

1. A valid driver license or identification card issued by Florida or another state.
(This includes any U.S. territory such as American Samoa, Guam, Marianas, Puerto Rico, and US Virgin Islands.)
2. A valid passport or passport card, which does not have to be issued by the United States.
(Example: Great Britain passport).
3. A valid Canadian driver license, identification card, passport, or passport card.

D. Fees for each applicable vehicle: \$6.25.

Duplicate Certificate of Medical Exemption

If the original certificate of medical exemption has been lost or destroyed, a duplicate may be issued.

- A. The [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption - HSMV 83390](#) is to be completed by the person with the medical condition. The “Physician’s Statement of Certification” is not required to be completed. The “Duplicate” block must be checked.
- B. Duplicate Fees for each vehicle: \$6.25.

Lost in Transit Certificate of Medical Exemption

If the original certificate of medical exemption has been lost-in-transit following issuance, a replacement may be issued at no charge to the applicant, when a completed application is submitted within 180 days of the current issue date.

Form [Application for Sunscreening Medical Exemption - HSMV 83390](#) completed by the person with the medical condition. The “Physician's Statement of Certification” is not required to be completed. The “Lost-in-Transit” block must be checked.

Corrections

A corrected certificate of medical exemption, form HSMV 83391, may be issued at no charge.

Display of Certificate of Medical Exemption

The certificate of medical exemption should be in the possession of the motor vehicle operator when operating the vehicle identified on the certificate.

Revision(s) to Procedure

02/24 Biannual Review. Updated procedure from TL-55 to RS-48.

03/15/23: Updated mailing address in General Information Section.

3/19/20: Added language to Section II (F).

06/25/18: Statutory Review. Added links to statutes and forms. Added fees and Historical Revisions section. Customer does not have to have a Florida driver license or ID card. If vehicle is titled and registered in Florida, it may have sun screening material applied.

08/26/10: Revised current statute and added other statute on pg. 1, added letter E to section II, added 2 to section III. B on pg. 2 and renumbered the items.

Updated section B (1) under documentation required and special instructions; Physician or physician assistant licensed to practice under Chapters 458, 459, or 460, Florida Statutes and added Chapter 459” to section B (2).