

Vehicle Industry News

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Multiple Form Revisions

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New Information

The below forms have been revised and will be available on the DMV website in 2025.

Application for Replacement Plates, Stickers, Documents, REG 156 (REV 11/2024)

Changes were necessary to bring the REG 156 into compliance with federal vessel regulations.

- “Fee” was added to *Vessel Mussel Sticker*.
- “Daytime” was removed from the *TELEPHONE NUMBER* field.
- An *EMAIL ADDRESS* field was added.

The prior revision, REV 1/2022, remains acceptable until April 1, 2025.

Notification of Alternative Forms of Financial Responsibility, REG 5085 (REV 11/2024)

- Senate Bill 1107 mandated that the Surety Bond fee be increased from \$35,000 to \$75,000, effective January 1, 2025.

Forms signed and submitted before 12/31/2024 can be accepted. Forms submitted on or after 1/1/2025 must be the new revision.

Affidavit for Transfer without Probate California Title Vehicle or Vessel Only, REG 5 (REV 12/2024)

Changes in the *Probate Code* mandated that the form be updated.

- The *FOR MOTORCYCLES ONLY ENGINE NUMBER* field was deleted because it was found to be unnecessary.
- The *YEAR OF VEHICLE OF VESSEL* field was added.
- “City” and “State” were added to the *PLACE OF DEATH* field.
- “Daytime” was removed from the *TELEPHONE NUMBER* field and “or Email Address” was added.
- Language and dollar amounts were added as mandated.

The prior revision, REV 2/2021, remains acceptable until April 1, 2025.

References

Probate Code §13100

Vehicle Code §§4458, 4466, 4467, 16056, 16430, 16435, 16451, and 16500

Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Chapters 11 and 13

VIN 2022-06 Electronic Reporting for Commercial Policies

VIN 2021-04 Revised Affidavit for Transfer Without Probate

VIN 2018-03 Revised REG 156 Form

How To: Change Vehicle Ownership (HTVR 32) brochure.

Distribution

Notification of this memo (available at dmv.ca.gov under Vehicle Industry Services) was made through the California DMV Automated Email Alert System in February 2025 to:

- Dealers
- Registration Services

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Direct questions related to this memo to DMV Customer Care at (916) 657-6560.