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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND REGULATION

DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES POLICY NO. DMV-121 (Title and Registration)

Effective Date: May 20, 2010

SUBJECT: NONRESIDENT TITLE AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

STATUTES PERTAINING: Title 32, SDCL 32-3-18, SDCL 32-5-3

Title 32 does not expressly prohibit an out-of-state applicant from titling and registering in South Dakota.

SDCL 32-3-18 and SDCL 32-5-3 require an applicant to provide the county where the vehicle will be kept and the applicant's residence post office address. If an applicant actually resides out-of-state, their actual address must be used on the application.

For applicants that are truly nomads (no abodes in this or any other state), an affidavit attesting that the applicant(s) has no residential post office in this or any other state is required before a mail forwarding address, rather than a residential post office address, can be used on the application.

SDCL 32-3-18 and SDCL 32-5-3 also require an applicant to provide either a South Dakota driver's license number (SDDL) or Social Security number (SSN). Applicants who list a SSN and do not have a SDDL must provide a photo copy of a picture ID (e.g., out-of-state driver's license, tribal photo identification) for each applicant listed on the application. The photo copy of the ID must be submitted along with the application.

If needed, additional information can be requested.

Applicants should be reminded that providing false information on the application for title and registration is a felony and anyone doing so is subject to further action by the department. If the applicant should have registered in their home state and is assessed fees by their home state, no refund will be authorized.

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