



**INFORMATION NOTICE**

**DIVISION OF MOTORIST SERVICES**

<b>DATE: 09/05/2024</b>	<b>Information Notice (INFO) INFO 24-023</b>
<b>SUBJECT: New Rule 15C-1.015, FAC - Vehicle Registration Information</b>	

**Overview:**

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV) promulgated Rule 15C-1.015, FAC, which is now in effect. The rule was established to define a “valid passport” when filing an application to register a motor vehicle.

**Details:**

Section 320.02(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires when filing an application for vehicle registration, an individual applicant must provide a valid driver license or identification card issued by this state or another state or a valid passport.

For purposes of s. 320.02(2)(a), Florida Statutes, new Rule 15C-1.015, FAC, defines a “valid passport” as:

- (1) An unexpired passport or passport card issued by the United States government; or
- (2) An unexpired passport issued by the government of another country with:
  - (a) A stamp or mark affixed by the United States Department of Homeland Security onto the passport to evidence and authorize lawful presence in the United States; or
  - (b) An unexpired I-94, or current permanent resident card, or unexpired immigrant visa, issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security.

Dealers submitting applications on behalf of an individual to register vehicles must provide a copy of either (1) a valid driver license or identification card issued by Florida or another state; or (2) the information contained in new Rule 15C-1.015, FAC.

**Conclusion:**

When applying for a vehicle registration, individual customers providing a valid passport issued by a foreign government must also provide the information listed in section (2)(a) or (b) above. If the customer does not have any of these documents, they may be directed to obtain a Florida driver license or identification card and then resubmit the application.

The Department requests that by no later than **September 23, 2024**, all vehicle registration applications submitted by individuals must fully comply with Section 320.02(2)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rule 15C-1.015, FAC.

Procedure RS-01 has been updated accordingly.

This new rule does not apply to title applications.

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