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PUBLIC DECLARATION of the Kansas Director of Vehicles, David Harper.

That as Director of Vehicles I make this public declaration, under authority in K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-127(a), that the practice of issuing courtesy registrations for customers moving to Kansas from out of state be prohibited effective immediately.

County treasurers are instructed to utilize the sixty-day temporary registration process set out in K.S.A. 8-143 and K.S.A. 2020 Supp. 8-2409 when dealing with Kansas residents/customers that have initiated State title applications with insufficient documentation of ownership. The usage of the sixty-day temporary registration process shall be used in lieu of the courtesy registration process. Only one temporary permit shall be allowed per customer, per vehicle for this process.

The courtesy registration process can create significant title processing, auditing, title reliability issues for the State, county, and customer, if the customer does not follow through with timely providing the necessary documentation.

The Director recognizes that there must be a temporary process to authorize continued vehicle operation while a customer is waiting on documentation. The Director requires a sixty-day temporary permit process be used if all title and registration information is not immediately available at the time of the initial application. This declaration does not change the current process authorized for use of temporary permits as issued by county treasurer's offices.

David Harper, Director

8/11/2021

Date

The purpose of this memo is to advise you of a policy change regarding Courtesy Registrations which was discussed on the August County Call. During this call, we advised you not to process Courtesy Registrations due to NMVTIS.

We are aware this is not practical for some customers and have developed a work around. Director Harper has implemented the attached declaration, which allows you to process one 60-day permit for the following situations:

- An out of state resident is moving to the state of Kansas and the out of state title is being held by an out of state lienholder
- Title being held by another state electronically because of a lien

You will use the customer's current out of state registration to input the vehicle information into the MOVRS Vehicle Maintenance Record, along with proof of insurance and payment. The issue date will be the processing date of the transaction. After processing the 60-day permit, you will need to put an Exception Case Management Stop on the VIN. The stop is just to help remind you to verify and update the owner's information in the vehicle maintenance record prior to processing the actual title and registration transaction.

You will be required to send a request for the out of state title to the lienholder or to the state holding the title. The letter should be sent on your letterhead and request the out of state title be mailed to your office. When you receive the out of state title, you will need to contact your customer to finish the processes. We have attached an example of this letter for your convenience.

The current processes for temp tags for new purchases has not changed.