

# FACT SHEET

## Registering Vehicles in Idaho



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### REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION:

- The vehicle must belong to an Idaho resident or business. (exceptions-leased vehicles)
- The vehicle must be titled in Idaho before it can be registered. (You may apply for vehicle registration immediately after submitting the required title application documents to a county assessor's motor vehicle office.)
- **If you are a new resident**, you must register and title your vehicle(s) within 90 days of moving to Idaho.

An Idaho resident is anyone whose principal home has been in Idaho for 90 continuous days, although residency may be declared at any time earlier, and vehicles may be titled and registered at that time. Idaho residents who are temporarily in another state (i.e., students or military personnel) may request titles and registrations for their vehicle(s) through the mail.

### WHERE TO REGISTER

You may register your vehicles at any of Idaho's 44 County Assessor Motor Vehicle Offices

### WHAT TO REGISTER

Passenger cars, trucks, motor homes, recreational vehicles, school buses, motorcycles, utility and boat trailers, boats and snowmobiles.

### COST

The **total** cost to register a vehicle varies depending on the age, type or weight of the vehicle, use, inspection requirements, your county of residence and other factors. Some of the variables are:

- The type and use of the vehicle being registered
- If new plates are required (\$3.75 per plate)
- Postage costs to mail new plates
- Fees to fund emergency medical services and Idaho State Police programs (EMS \$1.25~ISP \$3.00)
- County Administrative and mail fees (fees vary based on county of residence)
- County Highway District fees (example: Some vehicles registered in Ada County are also assessed an additional \$24 to \$40 for Ada County Highway District Fee.)
- Local options taxes (taxes depending on county of sale and/or purchase price)

**The fees above are in addition to the approximate fees for various vehicles shown below and set by Idaho Code.**

### PASSENGER VEHICLES

Passenger cars, pickup trucks, neighborhood electric vehicles and other motor vehicles having a maximum gross weight 8,000 pounds or less and adjusted by vehicle age as follows:

- \$69 for vehicles one or two years old
- \$57 for vehicles three to six years old
- \$45 for vehicles seven or more years old
  - \* Electric Vehicles-Add \$140 per year (Neighborhood electric vehicles not included)
  - \* Plug-In Hybrid Vehicles-Add \$75 dollars per year

### PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES

Personalized license plates are optionally available for passenger cars (vehicles not in excess of 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight), motorhomes, and motorcycles. The fees for personalized license plates are in addition to registration fees:

- \$25.00 for initial issuance
- \$15.00 annual renewal fee

### MOST SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES

Special Program and Special Interest plates optionally available for vehicles not in excess of 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight, motorhomes, and motorcycles. The fees for Special license plates are in addition to registration fees:

- \$35.00 for initial issuance
- \$25.00 Annual renewal fee (in addition to registration fee)

### OTHER VEHICLES

- School buses \$24.00
- Motorcycles \$25.00 if operated upon public highways (\$19.00 Registration Fee + \$6.00 Motorcycle Safety Program Fee)

## TRUCKS

### Non Commercial (not for business purposes) and Farm Trucks (used to haul farmer's own crops to market) for 12 months-by weight category

| Gross Weight (vehicle weight and load weight combined)                  | Fee for 12 months |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 8,001 - 16,000                                                          | 73.00             |
| 16,001 – 26,000                                                         | 86.08             |
| 26,001 – 30,000                                                         | 116.68            |
| 30,001 – 40,000                                                         | 155.08            |
| 40,001 – 50,000                                                         | 213.28            |
| 50,001 – 60,000 (for heavier weights- see ITD Motor Carrier Department) | 336.88            |

### Commercial Trucks and Interstate buses (used for business purposes) for 12 months-by weight category

| Gross Weight (vehicle weight and load weight combined)                  | Fee for 12 months |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 8,001 - 16,000                                                          | 73.00             |
| 16,001 – 26,000                                                         | 168.40            |
| 26,001 – 30,000                                                         | 248.80            |
| 30,001 – 40,000                                                         | 316.60            |
| 40,001 – 50,000                                                         | 385.00            |
| 50,001 – 60,000 (for heavier weights- see ITD Motor Carrier Department) | 540.40            |

## MOTORHOMES and OTHER RECREATIONAL VEHICLES RV

### Fees start at \$8.50 for the first \$1,000 of market value, plus \$5 for each additional \$1,000 of market value

- Motor home "registration fees" are based on vehicle age as listed above. Motor homes are also required to register as a recreational vehicle (RV). Motor Home RV value is determined by calculating how much of the full value of the Motor home is recreational (from 25% to 60% of the full value) then \$8.50 for first \$1,000 of the resulting value, plus \$5.00 for each additional \$1,000 of value
- Camp trailers, tent trailers, and fifth wheels are required to pay \$4.00 registration fees along with recreational vehicle fees. RV fees for these types of vehicles are based on 100%of market value. The RV fees are \$8.50 for first \$1,000 of market value, plus \$5.00 for each additional \$1,000 of market value. Park Model RVs may be registered or may be assessed personal property tax
- Slide in Truck Campers are only required to pay recreational vehicle fees; are not issued a license plate. The fees are based on 100% of market value and start with an \$8.50 RV for the first \$1,000, plus \$5.00 for each additional \$1,000 of market value

## UTILITY TRAILERS

\$5.00 annually or \$30 for a ten-year registration

## BOATS

\$30 to Idaho Parks and Recreation for powered vessels up to 12 feet long. Add \$2.00 for each additional foot. This registration fee includes the Idaho Invasive Species Fund Fees.

## SNOWMOBILES and OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES

- Snowmobiles \$31 to Idaho Parks and Recreation
- Off-Highway Vehicles \$12.00 for an Off-Road Sticker to Idaho Parks and Recreation (includes a \$1.50 vendor fee )

## AIRCRAFT

Aircraft owned and operated in Idaho must be registered with the Division of Aeronautics. For more information, call (208) 334-8775 or (800) 426-4587.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

You may obtain additional information regarding registrations by contacting the county assessor in the county where the vehicle will be registered. You may contact ITD between the hours of 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Mountain Time, at (208) 334-8649 Additional information and forms are also available on ITD's web site at [dmv.idaho.gov](http://dmv.idaho.gov)

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