

Ohio Revised Code

Section 5309.76 Alterations or erasures not permitted - exceptions.

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- (A) After a title is registered and a certificate of title is issued for the registered land or after a memorandum, notation, or memorial is made on the register of titles and attested, no alteration or erasure shall be made in the register except in the manner provided in this section and as required by section 5309.281 of the Revised Code.
- (B) A person whose name changes after the issuing of a registered certificate of title, who is registered as married but whose marriage has terminated, or whose name by mistake is wrongly stated in a registered certificate of title, upon satisfying the county recorder of the facts, shall surrender that person's duplicate certificate of title and take out a new certificate of title in that person's correct or changed name. The recorder shall enter and attest on the register of titles a memorandum of that change or correction and its date. This division applies to every person holding a registered interest in or upon land, and no transfer or assignment shall be registered until a change or correction described in this division is made.
- (C) When it appears that there is an error or omission in any certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial, that any memorandum or memorial was made, entered, and endorsed or any certificate of title was entered or issued by mistake, or that any certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial by mistake or otherwise was improperly canceled or improperly removed from the register of titles, the county recorder, on the recorder's own motion or upon the application of any interested person, may summon all persons registered as interested in the lands to which the certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial relates to appear at an appointed time and to produce their certificates of title or registered instruments. If, at the appointed time, the recorder finds an error, omission, mistake, improper cancellation, or improper removal as described in this division and that no rights of bona fide purchasers or lienholders for value have intervened by which their estate or interest will be impaired by the correction of the error, omission, or mistake or by the restoration to the register of any improperly canceled or improperly removed certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial, the recorder shall correct the error or mistake, supply the omission, correct the cancellation of the certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial, or restore to the register the improperly removed



certificate of title, memorandum, or memorial, provided that, in correcting any error or mistake, the original words shall not be erased or rendered illegible. The recorder shall attest the corrections and restorations by affixing the recorder's initials or name and the date of the corrections or restorations.