



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4503.103 Multi-year registration.

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(A)(1)(a) The registrar of motor vehicles may adopt rules to permit any person or lessee, other than a person receiving an apportioned license plate under the international registration plan, who owns or leases one or more motor vehicles to file a written application for registration for no more than five succeeding registration years. The rules adopted by the registrar may designate the classes of motor vehicles that are eligible for such registration. At the time of application, all annual taxes and fees shall be paid for each year for which the person is registering.

(b) The registrar shall adopt rules to permit any person, other than a person receiving an apportioned license plate under the international registration plan and other than the owner of a commercial car used solely in intrastate commerce, who owns a motor vehicle to file an application for registration for the next two succeeding registration years. At the time of application, the person shall pay the annual taxes and fees for each registration year, calculated in accordance with division (C) of section 4503.11 of the Revised Code. A person who is registering a vehicle under division (A)(1)(b) of this section shall pay for each year of registration the additional fee established under division (C)(1) of section 4503.10 of the Revised Code. The person shall also pay one and one-half times the amount of the deputy registrar service fee specified in division (D) of section 4503.10 of the Revised Code or the bureau of motor vehicles service fee specified in division (G) of that section, as applicable.

(2) No person applying for a multi-year registration under division (A)(1) of this section is entitled to a refund of any taxes or fees paid.

(3) The registrar shall not issue to any applicant who has been issued a final, nonappealable order under division (B) of this section a multi-year registration or renewal thereof under this division or rules adopted under it for any motor vehicle that is required to be inspected under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code the district of registration of which, as determined under section 4503.10 of the Revised Code, is or is located in the county named in the order.



(B) Upon receipt from the director of environmental protection of a notice issued under division (J) of section 3704.14 of the Revised Code indicating that an owner of a motor vehicle that is required to be inspected under that section who obtained a multi-year registration for the vehicle under division (A) of this section or rules adopted under that division has not obtained an inspection certificate for the vehicle in accordance with that section in a year intervening between the years of issuance and expiration of the multi-year registration in which the owner is required to have the vehicle inspected and obtain an inspection certificate for it under division (F)(1)(a) of that section, the registrar in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code shall issue an order to the owner impounding the certificate of registration and identification license plates for the vehicle. The order also shall prohibit the owner from obtaining or renewing a multi-year registration for any vehicle that is required to be inspected under that section, the district of registration of which is or is located in the same county as the county named in the order during the number of years after expiration of the current multi-year registration that equals the number of years for which the current multi-year registration was issued.

An order issued under this division shall require the owner to surrender to the registrar the certificate of registration and license plates for the vehicle named in the order within five days after its issuance. If the owner fails to do so within that time, the registrar shall certify that fact to the county sheriff or local police officials who shall recover the certificate of registration and license plates for the vehicle.

(C) Upon the occurrence of either of the following circumstances, the registrar in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code shall issue to the owner a modified order rescinding the provisions of the order issued under division (B) of this section impounding the certificate of registration and license plates for the vehicle named in that original order:

- (1) Receipt from the director of environmental protection of a subsequent notice under division (J) of section 3704.14 of the Revised Code that the owner has obtained the inspection certificate for the vehicle as required under division (F)(1)(a) of that section;
- (2) Presentation to the registrar by the owner of the required inspection certificate for the vehicle.

(D) The owner of a motor vehicle for which the certificate of registration and license plates have



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been impounded pursuant to an order issued under division (B) of this section, upon issuance of a modified order under division (C) of this section, may apply to the registrar for their return. A fee of two dollars and fifty cents shall be charged for the return of the certificate of registration and license plates for each vehicle named in the application.