Issue Date: May 3, 2023

New Information
The Application for Title or Registration (REG 343) form has been revised (see attachment).

**NOTE:** Continue to use REG 343 (REV. 4/2021) until depleted.

Changes to the REG 343
The front and back of the revised REG 343 (REV. 12/2022) must be completed. The revised form has the following changes:

- **Section 4 – ODOMETER INFORMATION**
  - Checkboxes for Miles and Kilometers were added for customers to record the odometer in miles or kilometers.
  - The appropriate box must be checked when completing the form.

- **Section 6 – COST INFORMATION**
  - The verbiage “be in U.S. Dollars” was added to the first sentence of this section for clarification.
  - Foreign vehicles purchased with foreign currency must be converted to U.S. dollars.

- **Section 7 – FOR OUT-OF-STATE VEHICLES**
  - The verbiage “OR OUT-OF-COUNTRY VEHICLES” was removed from the section title.
  - Refer applicants who inquire about use tax/sales tax exemption to CDTFA. A list of CDTFA offices is available at cdtfa.ca.gov. If applicable, CDTFA will issue a Certificate of Use Tax Clearance (CDTFA–111), Certificate of Vessel Use Tax Clearance (CDTFA–111–B), or Certificate of Excise Tax Clearance (CDTFA–1138) form for commercial vehicles subject to fuel tax to present to DMV with their registration/transfer application. However, if a customer insists taxes or partial taxes are not due, have the customer complete a Statement of Facts (REG 256) form stating the reason and process the application using existing procedures.

**NOTE:** The difference between sales and use tax is how it is calculated and who pays them. Sales tax is applied when merchandise is purchased, collected, and remitted to the government by the seller. Use tax is applied to the use, storage, or other consumption when merchandise is purchased without tax from a business located outside the state and paid to the government by the consumer.

- **Section 9 – CERTIFICATIONS Signatures required**
  - The **DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER** field was changed to **TELEPHONE OR EMAIL ADDRESS**. This allows the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to collect customer email addresses.
Background
The Technical Compliance Section identified common customer errors in completing the form, which delays the processing of the transactions with the REG 343. This revision addresses those errors and improves customer service and processing of the form.

References
Vehicle Code §4450
Health and Safety Code (HSC) §§43150-43156
Vehicle Industry Registration Procedures Manual, Chapters 4 and 12
VIN 2012-23 Revised/Separated REG 343 and REG 31 Forms

Distribution
Notification that this memo is available at dmv.ca.gov under Vehicle Industry Services, was made via the California DMV Automated Email Alert System in May 2023 to the following:
- Dealers
- Registration Services
APPLICATION FOR TITLE OR REGISTRATION

FOR ACCURACY, PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY. COMPLETE BOTH SIDES.

SECTION 1 — VEHICLE INFORMATION

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TYPE OF VEHICLE: [ ] Auto [ ] Commercial [ ] Motorcycle [ ] Off Highway [ ] Trailer Coach

☐ For Trailer Coaches Only

LENGTH ______ IN Width ______ IN

Will this vehicle be used for the transportation of persons for hire, compensation, or profit (e.g. limousine, taxi, bus, etc.)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Is this a commercial vehicle that operates at 10,001 lbs. or more (or is a pickup exceeding 8,000 lbs. unladen and/or 11,499 lbs. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR))? ☐ Yes ☐ No

IMPORrTANT: If yes, a Declaration of Gross Vehicle Weight/Combined Gross Vehicle Weight (REG 4038) form must be completed. If yes, a Motor Carrier Permit may be required. Refer to www.dmv.ca.gov for more information.

FOR COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ONLY:

Number of axles: ______________ Unladen weight: ______________ Actual (Vehicles over 10,001 lbs. only)

SECTION 2 — OWNER INFORMATION

Each owner must sign on reverse side.

Once registered, upon transfer of ownership, co-owners joined by “AND” require the signature of each owner, co-owners joined by “OR” require the signature of only one owner.

TRUE FULL NAME OF OWNER (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE, SURNAME), BUSINESS NAME, OR LESSOR

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TRUE FULL NAME OF CO-OWNER OR LESSOR (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE, SURNAME)

☐ AND

☐ OR

TRUE FULL NAME OF CO-OWNER OR LESSOR (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE, SURNAME)

☐ AND

☐ OR

PERSONAL RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS ADDRESS (INCLUDE ST, AVE, CT, ETC.) Apt./Space/st. No. City State ZIP Code

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OR COUNTY WHERE VEHICLE/VESSEL IS PRINCIPALLY GARAGED Equipment Number (Optional)

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM PHYSICAL ADDRESS ABOVE) Apt./Space/st. No. City State ZIP Code

LESSOR ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE) Apt./Space/st. No. City State ZIP Code

TRAILER COACH ONLY — ADDRESS WHERE LOCATED (IF DIFFERENT FROM PHYSICAL ABOVE) City State ZIP Code

SECTION 3 — LEGAL OWNER (LIEN HOLDER/TITLE HOLDER)

If None, must write “None”.

Attention ELT Legal Owners: The ELT name and address and ELT number MUST be entered exactly as shown on the ELT listing.

TRUE FULL NAME OF SELLING COMPANY OR INDIVIDUAL (DO NOT ENTER NAME OF NEW REGISTERED OWNER ABOVE) ELT

EQUIPMENT NUMBER (OPTIONAL)

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM PHYSICAL ADDRESS ABOVE) Apt./Space/st. No. City State ZIP Code

SECTION 4 — ODOMETER INFORMATION

The odometer reading: [ ] Upon date of purchase in California was as of this date (if no change in ownership) ☐ No tens [ ] Miles [ ] Kilometers

☐ Odometer reading is NOT the actual mileage ☐ Mileage EXCEEDS the odometer mechanical limits

EXPLAIN ODOMETER DISCREPANCY:

Print Clear Form
**MUST COMPLETE VEHICLE INFORMATION BELOW:**

**SECTION 5 — DATE INFORMATION**
- **DATE VEHICLE ENTERED ON WALL ENTER CALIFORNIA:**
- **DATE VEHICLE FIRST OPERATED IN CALIFORNIA:**
- **DATE YOU WENT TO WORK IN CALIFORNIA, OBTAINED A DRIVER LICENSE, OR BECAME A RESIDENT:**

**SECTION 6 — COST INFORMATION**
- **NOTE:** The total cost or value of the vehicle must be in U.S. Dollars, and include the cost of the basic vehicle, value of any trade-in, and all accessories and leased equipment permanently attached. Cost does not include sales tax, insurance, finance charges, or warranty.
- **VEHICLE WAS PURCHASED OR ACQUIRED FROM:**
- **FOR ALL VEHICLES:**
- **FOR REVISED JUNIOR OR REVISED NON-JUNIOR VEHICLES:**
- **TOTAL COST OR VALUE:**

**SECTION 7 — FOR OUT-OF-STATE VEHICLES**
- For vehicles which enter the state within 1 year of purchase, was Sales Tax paid to another state? D No □ Yes □ N/A
- If yes, enter amount of tax paid $
- This amount will be credited toward any Use Tax in CA. If your vehicle was last registered in another state, you may be eligible for a Use Tax exemption. For more information, contact the CA Department of Tax and Fee Administration (www.ctta.ca.gov).

**SECTION 8 — MILITARY SERVICE INFORMATION**
- Are you or your spouse on active duty as a member of the U.S. Uniformed Services? □ Yes □ No
- If yes, you may qualify for an exemption. Refer to Nonresident Military (NRM) Vehicle License Fee Exemption (REG 6045) form.

**SECTION 9 — CERTIFICATIONS**
- **SIGNATURES REQUIRED.**
- The signature for a company or business MUST include the printed name of the company/business and an authorized representative’s signature on the signature line (e.g., ABC CO. by JOHN SMITH or JOHN SMITH for ABC CO.).
- The registered owner mailing address is valid, existing, and an accurate mailing address. I consent to receive service of process at this mailing address pursuant to CVC §1908.21.

**I CERTIFY (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.**

**PRINTED NAME**
- **OWNERS SIGNATURE**
- **DATE**
- **TELEPHONE OR EMAIL ADDRESS**

**PRINTED NAME**
- **CO-OWNERS SIGNATURE**
- **DATE**
- **TELEPHONE OR EMAIL ADDRESS**

**PRINTED NAME**
- **X**

**PRINTED NAME**
- **X**

**PRINTED NAME**
- **X**