Administrative Regulation Regarding Car Dealership and Importers of Moving Vehicles



MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION REGARDING CAR DEALERSHIP AND IMPORTERS OF MOVING VEHICLES

WHEREAS, the Act to Amend the Executive Law, Title 12 of the Liberian Code of Laws Revised to create the Ministry of Transport (the "Act") within the Executive Branch of Government, authorizes at Section 37.3(d) that the Ministry is created inter alia "to establish rules and procedures and enforce standards for transport services of private and public common carriers of whatever nature and in general to develop (policies to) regulate, control and monitor vehicles...",

WHEREAS, consistent with Section 37.3(e)of the Act, the Ministry of Transport is also authorized "to enforce the Compulsory Liability Insurance Law of 1972 as contained in Volume VI of the Liberian Code of laws Revised Chapter four of Title Thirty Eight",

WHEREAS, the Ministry, in the exercise of its statutory responsibility finds It prudent to issue regulations to enforce the Compulsory Insurance Requirements and ensure registration of all motor vehicles.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT PROMULGATES THESE REGULATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That beginning October 1, 2016 all car dealers, three wheelers and motorbikes sellers, are required to ensure that vehicles sold are fully registered and insured before leaving their premises. Registered means that registration formalities have been completed and the proper fees paid to the appropriate Government revenue account evidenced by proper flag receipt and appropriate license plate along with the motor vehicle registration certificate issued by the relevant authority. Insured means that the premium have been paid for the minimum compulsory third party liability insurance as evidenced by an insurance certificate from a recognized insurance company and display of the official insurance sticker.

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- 2. That beginning October 1, 2016 all importers of vehicles, three wheelers and motorbikes who are registered and licensed to deal in the sale of vehicles in Liberia, will be required to register and insure the vehicles they import upon their arrival in Liberia and before clearance from the port of entry. Subsequent sale of such vehicles in Liberia shall be prohibited unless the vendor is authorized by the Ministry of Transport to engage in the sale of vehicles.
- 3. A Dealership that violates any provision of this Regulation and allows a motor vehicle to leave its premises without being duly registered and insured shall pay a fine of not less than US\$500.00 for the first offense and US\$1000 for each subsequent violation. Additionally, a Dealership shall have its operation certificate suspended for any subsequent violation.
- 4. Any person found operating a motor vehicle, three wheeler or motorbike without valid vehicle registration and insurance shall have their operator's license confiscated in keeping with Section 4.7 (1) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law Volume VI Title 38 Liberian Code of Laws Revised Chapter Four.

Done this 18 day of August A D 2016 in the City of Monrovia, County of Montserrado, Republic of Liberia.

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