

**ETCHING OF VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
AND COMPONENT PARTS MARKING**
K-200 NEW 9-2004



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
DEALERS AND REPAIRERS DIVISION
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CERTIFICATE OF FILING

SECTION 14-99H C.G.S. AND PUBLIC ACT 2004-199 SECTION 36

DATE:

DEALER NAME:

DEALER LICENSE NUMBER:

I, _____ acting as a principal of the above used car or new car dealership as define in Sec. 14-51 C.G.S. or as lessor licensed in accord with 14-15 C.G.S., acknowledge receipt of copy of Section 14-99h C.G.S. and Public Act 2004-199 Section 36.

I understand that I am required to offer the etching of the complete vehicle Identification Number on the window glass to all customers; I may also offer the marking of the vehicle component parts with the complete vehicle identification number:

- 1) Displaying a sign in the showroom which announces the services and the charges.
- 2) Training all salespersons to offer the option of the VIN etching service or the option of the marking of the component parts in the preparation of a contract for purchase of a passenger automobile.
- 3) If I decide to have any vehicles on my lot etched or marked prior to their sale or lease I will specify the charge for such service separately on the label required by the Federal Automobile Information Disclosure Act. I will inform the potential purchaser of the cost and advantage of the service and may charge the price below, if the customer agrees.
- 4) However, if the customer does not wish the service, no charge will be made. If I decide to have all vehicles on my lot etched or marked prior to their sale or lease I may preprint the purchase order with the charge for the VIN Etching service or component parts marking service, provided the service is itemized and clearly disclosed as an option on such purchase order.

Until this form is updated and received by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the following price will be charged to all customers who request the option of VIN window etching or component part marking.

VIN Etching \$ _____ . _____ per vehicle

Parts Marking \$ _____ . _____ per vehicle

DEALER PRINCIPAL

DATE

Section 14-99h of the general statutes is replaced and the following is substituted in lieu of thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

(a) Each new car dealer or used car dealer, as defined in section 14-51, or lessor licensed under the provisions of section 14-15 shall offer the purchaser or lessee of a new or used motor vehicle, at the time of sale or lease, the optional service of etching the complete identification number on the vehicle on a lower corner or the windshield and on each side or rear window in such vehicle. Each such dealer or lessor may etch the complete identification number of a motor vehicle on any such vehicle in its inventory prior to sale or lease provided it specifies the charge for such service separately on the order for the motor vehicle as prescribes by the provisions of section 14-62.

(b) If a new car dealer or used car dealer, as defined in section 14-51, offers the purchaser of a new or used motor vehicle, at the time of sale, the optional service of marking vehicle components with the complete vehicle identification number, the dealer shall specify the charge for such service separately on the order for the sale of the motor vehicle as prescribed by the provisions of section 14-62. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this subsection. Such regulations may provide standards for the marking of component parts in a secure manner, and for telephone or on-line access to a secure database of vehicles and parts that have been marked and registered in such database. Such regulation may also provide for the marking of parts used to replace parts that have been marked in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, by repairers licensed in accordance with section 14-52.

[(b)] (c) Each new car dealer, used car dealer or lessor shall charge reasonable rates for etching services and parts marking services rendered within the state pursuant to [subsection] subsections (a) and (b) of this section and shall file a schedule of such rates with the commissioner of Motor Vehicles not later than September first in each year. Each such dealer or lessor may from time to time file an amended schedule of such rates with the commissioner. No such dealer or lessor may change any rate for such etching services or parts marking services which is greater than the rate contained in the most recent schedule filed with the commissioner.

[(c)] (d) A motor vehicle dealer, licensed in accordance with section 14-52 and meeting qualifications established by the commissioner, may verify a manufacturer's vehicle identification number to satisfy any provision requiring such verification in this chapter, or chapter 246a or 247. Such verification shall be provided in a written affidavit signed by such a motor vehicle dealer, or his designee, and submitted to the commissioner. Such affidavit shall contain a statement that the manufacturer's vehicle identification number corresponds to such number (1) on the manufacturer's or importer's certificate of origin, if the motor vehicle is new, or (2) on a current certificate of title, for all other vehicles. Such affidavit shall also contain a statement that the vehicle identification number has not been mutilated, altered or removed.

[(d)] (e) Any person violating the provision of subsection (c) of this section, shall be subject to the penalties of false statement, provided for in sections 14-110 and 53a-157b.

[(e)] (f) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section.