

It has come to the notice that several vehicle owners who sell their vehicles to other persons do not actually follow the statutory provisions regarding Transfer of ownership of vehicles as laid down under the provisions of motor vehicle Act 1988 and the rules made there under. These result the Transferor and Transferee facing legal proceedings against them in case the vehicles in question later on involve in accidents, theft ,etc. , In many a case they also have been found facing disciplinary cases initiated by various departments such as Transport, Revenue, Civil Supplies, Police etc.,

2.0. In order to avoid all these problems the public are hereby informed of the various statutory provisions regarding Transfer of ownership of vehicles and requested to follow these scrupulously.

2.1. When the Ownership of a Motor Vehicle is transferred from one person to another, the transferor (the existing owner) shall, within 14 days of the transfer, in the case vehicles are registered in Tamiinadu, report the fact of transfer in Form 29 to the Registering Authority in whose Jurisdiction the transfer is to be or has been effected. Simultaneously the transferor also shall send a copy of the report to the transferee. In the cases the vehicles are registered in other states, the transferor shall have to submit similar report in Form 29 and shall also send along with Form 29, a "No Objection Certificate " obtained from the registering authority of the other state or in a case where no such certificate has been obtained, the receipt obtained from the registering authority or the Postal acknowledgement

s) in the case of transport vehicle covered by permits, the orders of the authority concerned allowing the transfer of the permit in favour of the transferee.

t) in the case of the transport vehicles not covered by permits, a tax clearance certificate issued by the competent authority (such tax clearance certificate requires revalidation, if it exceeds 30 days from the date of issue).

3.0. If the report from the transferor and the applicants are in order, the transfer of ownership is recorded in the registration certificate as well as in the register of motor vehicles. If the transfer of ownership is effected by the Registering Authority other than the original Registering Authority, the details of the transfer of ownership are recorded in " A " Register and simultaneously intimation in Form CRTI is sent to the original Registering Authority concerned for making necessary entries in the register of motor vehicle maintained in his office (TNMVR 106).

4.0. If report of transfer by the transferor or application for recording transfer of ownership in the registration certificate by the transferee is not made within the stipulated period, the transferor or the transferee of the vehicle, as the case may be, is liable to pay, in lieu of any action that may be taken under section 177 of the Act, the following penalties (Sec.50 (3) and TNMVR 105 -A) apart from the requisite for specified in Rule 81 of CMVR 1989.

Period	Amount
a) For a delay not exceeding 30 days after the last date prescribed.	Rs. 40/-
b) Exceeding 30 days but not exceeding 60 days after the last date prescribed	Rs. 75/-
c) Exceeding 60 days	Rs. 100/-

4.1. As per rule 56(1) of CMVR 1989, in the case of the death of the owner of the vehicle, the person succeeding to the possession of the vehicle may use the vehicle for a period of 3 months as if it has been transferred to him if such a person has informed the Registering Authority within 30 days of the death of the owner of the vehicle the occurrence of the death of the owner and of his own intention to use the vehicle. Rule 56(2) of CMVR 1989, stipulates that the transfer of ownership application shall be made to the Registering Authority in Form No.31, within the period of 3 months together with the fee prescribed in Rule 81, death certificate, registration certificate, insurance certificate, Legal heir- ship certificate and a "No Objection Letter" from the remaining legal heirs if there are more than one legal heir.

5.0. All vehicle owners are requested to follow these statutory provisions avoid getting into procedural hassles at a later date.

Sd/ C.P.Singh,
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Transport Commissioner.

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