



Louisiana Department of Public Safety
Office of Motor Vehicles
Policy 30.00 Self Insurance

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Definition:

- A **self-insurance certificate** is issued by the Office of Motor Vehicles as an alternative to automobile liability coverage when a person can prove that he is, and will continue to be, financially able to compensate for any bodily injury or property damage judgment rendered against him.

Requirements:

- A \$100.00 fee plus a completed application for Self-Insurance ([DPSMV3026](#)) is required for each initial or renewal self-insurance certificate. The applicant must reapply annually (before July 1) to renew a certificate. The average approval cycle is 20 days.
- **Cancellation of a Self-Insurance Certificate** - A certificate of self-insurance may be cancelled for reasonable cause. The self-insured is given five days of notice of a hearing before the certificate is cancelled. Failure to pay any judgment within 60 days after a judgment becomes final is reasonable grounds for cancellation of the certificate of self-insurance. If this occurs, the self-insured will not be eligible for the renewal or reissuance of a certificate of self-insurance for five years from the date of cancellation.
- **Adding / Deleting Vehicles** - Newly acquired vehicles will be added to the self-insured's existing vehicle list. The vehicles will be checked for ownership and current registration. Vehicles which have been disposed of will be removed from the self-insured's vehicle list.