Section:  2. Driver’s License Laws

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R.S.32:415.2
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Definitions:
• Notice of Suspension (NOS) – A citation that may be issued when the operator, who is also the sole owner of the vehicle, is stopped for any reason and is driving with a suspended driver’s license.

Guidelines:
• Block Against Driver’s License and Vehicle Plate Renewal - The Notice of Suspension ticket is added to the record and a “DS” flag is set on the vehicle registration. The flag prevents renewal of the driver’s license and/or license plate, until the flag is removed.

Methods of Compliance:
• The owner must reinstate all blocks, flags, and suspensions. The owner may fully reinstate the record or may enter into an Installment Agreement Plan, if eligible.
• The owner may apply for a hardship plate if he/she cannot clear his/her suspension(s), due to a mandatory suspension period. The issuance of a hardship plate is not an authorization to drive with a suspended license. The owner may also apply for a hardship driver’s license if he/she qualifies.
• If the owner cannot comply within ten (10) business days, the Office of Motor Vehicles will destroy the seized plate.
  o If a Notice of Violation was also issued, the plate will only be held for three (3) business days.

Fees:
• $10.00 reinstatement fee, in addition to any fee owed for other statutory requirements

Related Policies:
Section 2, Policy 36.00, Driver Management Fees