Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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Definitions:

- Corrected Registration Issued when a correction to the Louisiana registration is required, whether or not the original registration has been lost, stolen, mutilated, or becomes illegible.
- **Duplicate Registration** Issued when a Louisiana registration has been lost, stolen, mutilated, or becomes illegible.

Eligibility:

- Applicants are eligible to apply for a duplicate registration or corrected registration if they
 are a listed owner, lessee, or renter on the vehicle record or are a representative for the
 company, if the vehicle is in a business name.
 - If the owner, lessee, renter, or representative for the business is unable to apply in person, the <u>Permission to Process Transaction</u> form must be completed or the person applying on behalf of the owner can provide a power of attorney that allows them to perform motor vehicle transactions on the owner's behalf.
 - The <u>Permission to Process Transaction</u> or power of attorney must be presented at the time application for registration is made.

General:

- When a registration certificate is lost, or becomes illegible, the vehicle owner, lessee, or renter shall make immediate application for and obtain a **duplicate** registration.¹
 - Applicants may request a duplicate registration in writing or in person at any <u>Office</u>
 of Motor Vehicles location or Public Tag Agency.
 - Applicants may also apply for a duplicate registration on www.Expresslane.org.
- When a registration certificate requires correction as a result of change of address or change/addition of lessee or renter, the vehicle owner, lessee, or renter shall make immediate application for and obtain a corrected registration.
 - Applicants may request a corrected registration in writing or in person at any <u>Office</u> <u>of Motor Vehicles location or Public Tag Agency</u>.

Required Documentation:

- Proof of identification issued by this or another state
- Proof of insurance, if a valid plate is on the vehicle record

- Permission to Process Transaction form or Power of Attorney, if applicable
- Stolen Registration Certificate The charges for a duplicate registration certificate will be waived if the original has been stolen and a police report is submitted indicating such.
 - A copy of the police report along with the application for duplicate registration will be retained by the Department.

Fees:

- \$4.00 Duplicate registration fee¹, which applies to corrected registrations, as well, unless the correction is requested as the result of an office error
- \$8.00 Handling fee
- A service fee, if applicable, levied by the local governing authority

Related Policies:

Section 5, 54.00, Unreceived Renewal Stickers and License Plates Processed by Mail

References:

¹ – Louisiana State Legislature. *Lost Certificate or Number Plate* (R.S. 47:472), retrieved from https://legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=102265.