

Florida

Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

Division of Motorist Services

PROCEDURE	SUBJECT:		
VSRS-09	SOJOURNER REGISTRATION		
DESCRIPTION AND USE:			
<p style="text-align: center;">THIS PROCEDURE PROVIDES INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A SOJOURNER REGISTRATION</p>			
<p>I. PROVISIONS OF LAW:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Section 328.58, Florida Statutes, states that the owner of any vessel already covered by a registration number in full force and effect which has been awarded by another state or by the US Coast Guard in a state without a federally approved numbering system or the US Coast Guard for a federally documented vessel with a valid registration in full force and effect from another state shall record the number prior to operating the vessel on the waters of this state in excess of the 90-day reciprocity period.</p> <p>II. DOCUMENTATION AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>The applicant needs to submit the following documents to the tax collector's office to apply for a Sojourner Registration:</u></p> <p>A. Form HSMV 87244, "Application to Register NonTitled Vessels," <u>accurately completed by the applicant.</u></p> <p>B. <u>A copy of the</u> out-of-state registration to record the existing out-of-state number <u>and allow the system to</u> issue a decal only.</p> <p>C. <u>Registration fees.</u></p> <p>NOTE: Sojourner registrations are issued to those <u>vessel owners</u> who remain in <u>Florida</u> for more than 90 days, but intend to return to their home state and take the vessel with them.</p> <p>NOTE: A \$50 non resident/alien commercial vessel fee is charged if the vessel is being used for commercial purposes and the vessel owner is a non-resident or alien (Exemption: Vessels owned by non-residents used exclusively for commercial shrimping from the states of Mississippi, North Carolina and Texas.)</p>			
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<p>III. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:</p> <p>A. It is not a requirement to have the applicant complete another application at the time of renewal.</p> <p>B. The completed application may be retained in the tax collector's office or returned to the applicant.</p> <p>C. See Form Appendix for a sample of the HSMV forms referenced in this procedure.</p>	
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