Tow Truck Registration

When registering your Tow Truck, you must provide the Secretary of State proof of insurance in the form of a Certificate of Insurance. The Certificate of Insurance must indicate the following minimal coverages:

A. Automobile liability — $500,000 combined single limit
B. Garage liability — $500,000 combined single
C. On-hook coverages — $25,000
D. Garagekeepers — $25,000
E. Workers Compensation

The following statement on the Certificate of Insurance will be accepted in lieu of the above requirements:

"The policy meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of (625 ILCS 5/12-606) or PA 89-433."

The Certificate of Insurance must either expire Dec. 31, of the current registration year, or state that the policy is continuous. The certificate also must indicate the following:

- each vehicle covered by the policy,
- the name and address of the insured must match the name and address of the vehicle registration,
- "Secretary of State" listed as certificate holder, and
- policy number.

A Certificate of Liability Insurance must be submitted for each vehicle.

Wreckers or boom-type tow trucks may register for the empty weight of the fully equipped tow truck. Rollback or carrier-type tow trucks must register for the gross weight of the tow truck.

An affirmation statement may be accepted in the following situations:

- A small towing company that does not have repair or storage facilities would not need the $25,000 garagekeepers legal liability.
- A sole proprietor that does not have any employees would not need the Workers Compensation coverage.
- A company that has a tow truck to tow only its own vehicles would not need the on-hook coverage.

The reverse side of this notice contains a sample Certificate of Insurance with specific instructions that must be followed. To prevent delay in processing your renewal, when obtaining a new Certificate of Insurance from your agent, please take this notice with you to ensure compliance.
Certificate of Insurance
1. Certificate must indicate minimum coverage or a combined single limit.
2. Policy expiration date must be Dec. 31 of current registration year, or certificate must indicate continuous coverage.
3. Certificate must indicate that the Secretary of State's office will be notified in writing 30 days before the policy is canceled.
4. If the form includes the statement: "Should any of the above described policies be canceled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions"; a separate notation is required stating that the Secretary of State's office will be notified in writing 30 days prior to cancellation.
5. Certificate date must be dated within 90 days of transaction.

Plates/sticker renewals
Non-Standard Plates
First Floor Howlett Bldg., Customer Service
Springfield, IL 62756 ............................. 217-782-1140

Chicago West Facility
5301 W. Lexington Ave., Chicago, IL 60644 .......................... 312-793-1010

Chicago East Facility
100 W. Randolph, Chicago, IL 60601 .......................... 312-793-1010

Chicago North Facility Insured Vehicles
5401 N. Elston Ave., Chicago, IL 60630 .......................... 773-794-5848

Chicago South Facility
9901 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Chicago, IL 60628 .......................... 312-793-1010

Lake Zurich
951 S. Rand, Lake Zurich, IL 60047 .......................... 312-793-1010

Lombard Facility
837 S. Westmore, Lombard, IL 60148 .......................... 312-793-1010

Naperville Facility
931 W. 75th, Hobson Plaza, Ste. 161, Naperville, IL 60565 .......................... 630-548-9373

Joliet Facility
2450 W. Jefferson, Ste. 1, Joliet, IL 60436 .......................... 312-793-1010

Waukegan Facility
617 S. Green Bay Rd., Waukegan, IL 60085 .......................... 312-793-1010

Woodstock Facility
428 S. Eastwood Dr., Woodstock, IL 60098 .......................... 312-793-1010