Historic Background

1949

Utah State Legislature

Motor Vehicle Dealers & Salesman Act
Motor Vehicle Dealers & Salesman Act

Regulate Motor Vehicle Industry

Investigate Motor Vehicle Crime

Protect the Public
Motor Vehicle Dealers & Salesman Act

Motor Vehicle Business Administration

Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division

MVED
Eliminating Fraud from the Motor Vehicle Industry is a Top Priority at MVED
Offices

Salt Lake City

Ogden

Provo

Hurricane
MVED Staff

Thirty one employees which include twenty sworn police officers
Mission

Our mission is to equitably enforce assigned motor vehicle laws, protect the citizens of Utah from motor vehicle theft and fraud, and foster an atmosphere for a healthy business environment in the motor vehicle industry.
Goals

• Aggressively enforce laws related to motor vehicle fraud, theft and vehicle registration.

• Increase voluntary compliance with motor vehicle business laws and regulations by a combination of enforcement action and education.
Business License Types

- New Motor Vehicles Dealer
- Used Motor Vehicle Dealer
- New Motorcycle and Small Trailer Dealer
- Used Motorcycle and Small Trailer Dealer
- Special Equipment Dealers
Business License Types

- Crusher
- Body Shop
- Dismantler
- Transporter
- Distributor - Factory Branch
- Manufacturer or Remanufacturer
- Salvage Acquisition (out of state dealers wanting to get a Utah salvage buyer license)
Person License Types

• Salesperson
• Salvage Buyer
• Representatives
All MVED licenses expire June 30, of each year. No matter when they obtained the license, it will expire at midnight, the next June 30. MVED does not prorate the license fee.
Requirements

• License fees vary depending on the type of business.
• Dealers and Body shops are required to have a Surety Bond
• Place of Business with a sign that is a minimum of 24 square feet.
• Register name with Department of Commerce.
• Register business license with local city/county.
• Get a Utah sales tax number.
Applications

Salesperson
Application with required fee
Fingerprints with a waiver
Photo

Salvage Buyer
Application with required fee
Special Plates

Issued to a Licensed Business

Not to a Specific Vehicle
Special Plate Types

Transporter

Manufacturer

Dismantler

Dealer
Regulations Governing Motor Vehicle Business are primarily found in Title 41, Chapter 3, of the Utah Code.
Administration

- Arbitration between the Customer and the Licensee
- Civil action between the Customer and the Licensee
- Bond Claim
Office Manager

Administrative Action by the Division

Administrative Fine

Suspension or Revocation of License

Criminal Charges
Administrative Action is a Civil Penalty initiated by the Division against a Licensee.
MVED - Clerical Responsibilities

- License Salespeople, Representatives and Salvage Buyers.
- Changes or renewals of all licenses and special plates.
- Maintain required bond information.
- Issue special plates for: Dealers, Transporters, Manufacturers and Dismantlers.
- Sale, track, clear and audit 30 day temporary permits for all motor vehicle dealers.
- Review and maintain case documents for Investigators.
- Processing of all funds collected by MVED.
- Dispatch Radio traffic for MVED Investigators.
- Create and maintain MVED computer applications and Patrol in-car computers.
# 2016-2017 MVED Licensed Businesses

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**Total Number of Licensed Businesses: 2,856**
Law Enforcement
Motor Vehicle Enforcement Investigative Sections

Chief Investigator
Larry Ball

Sergeants
Traffic Sgt. Jeff Carter
South Sgt. Bruce Timothy
Compliance Sgt. Cole McAfee
North Sgt. Eric White
Compliance

- VIN Inspections
- Dealer/ Bodyshop Inspections
- Dealer Orientation
- Junk Permits
- Salvage Titles
- Dismantling Permits
- Investigations
- Assist Investigators with audits etc.
- Inventory Junkyards
- Other Jobs as Assigned
Motor vehicle regulation act

41-3-202. licenses-classes and scope.

• (8) A Dismantler’s license permits the Licensee to dismantle motor vehicles subject to registration under title 41, chapter 1a, Motor Vehicle Act, for the purpose of reselling parts for salvage, or selling dismantled or salvage vehicles to a crusher or other dismantler.

(12) A crusher’s license permits the licensee to engage in the business of crushing or shredding motor vehicles subject to registration under title 41, chapter 1a, motor vehicle act, for the purpose of reducing the useable materials and metals to a more compact size for recycling.
Motor vehicle regulation act

4-3-210. License holders – Prohibitions
(1) The holder of any license under this chapter may not:

(h) Dismantle or transport to a crusher for crushing or other disposition any motor vehicle without first obtaining a dismantling or junk permit under section 41-1a-1009, 41-1a-1010, or 41-1a-1011.

(k) As a crusher, crush or shred a motor vehicle brought to the crusher without obtaining proper evidence of ownership of the motor vehicle.
(13) (a) A dismantler or dealer engaged in the business of dismantling motor vehicles for the sale of parts or salvage shall identify any vehicles or equipment used by the dismantler or dealer for transporting parts or salvage on the highways.

(b) The identification required under subsection 13a shall: include the name, address, and license number of the dismantler or dealer; and be conspicuously displayed on both sides of the vehicle or equipment in clearly legible letters.
MVED Part Strip Demo
Investigators

MVED Investigators are Police Officers who have received Specialized Training in motor Vehicle Related Crimes
Case Types
Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Investigators handle:

- Dealer Investigations
- Motor Vehicle Complaints Investigations
- Motor Vehicle Business Acts - Administrative Actions Referrals
- Dealer Audits and Compliance
- Motor Vehicle Odometer Fraud Investigations
- Motor Vehicle Title and Salvage Fraud
- Registration Enforcement
- Fraudulent Motor Vehicle Applications
Title 41 Chapter 3

- Acting as a Dealer, Dismantler or Body Shop Without a License
- Temporary Permit Violations
- Failure to Maintain Records
- Assisting an Unlicensed Dealer
- Failure to Deliver Title
- Failure to have Financing Disclosure Signed
Report a Curbstoner

https://mvd.tax.utah.gov/ Enforcement Curbstoner Report

1. Report a Curbstoner

Report a Curbstoner

This information is not required. However it is invaluable for the successful prosecution of curbstoners.

Reporter Name

Reporter Phone Number

Reporter Email Address

Used cars can be purchased at places other than dealerships. Private sellers advertise in the classified sections of city, regional and neighborhood newspapers and on the internet. Be aware that unlicensed dealers also advertise in the classifieds and on the internet as well. These unlicensed dealers are often called curbstoners because they sell cars from the street curb instead of from a car lot. Curbstoners are people who make money from buying used cars and reselling them. Here are some tips for identifying a curbstoner:

• The vehicle for sale is parked along the street or in a vacant lot
• The person selling the vehicle asks you to meet them at a location other than their residence
• The seller wants a cash transaction: no checks or money orders
• The seller’s name is not on the vehicle’s title

Curbstoners do not comply with state or federal laws thus you have no protection in your dealings with them. Buying from a curbstoner increases your risk of:

• Not being able to get the vehicle title transferred
• Receiving a car that has been wrecked
• Receiving a vehicle listed as stolen
• Receiving a vehicle in which the odometer has been “rolled back”

Utah State Law defines a motor vehicle dealer as someone who sells, displays for sale, or offers for sale or exchange three or more new or used motor vehicles or off-highway vehicles in a twelve month period.

If you suspect you are dealing with a curbstoner, please click the Next button below.
MVED main website

http://mved.utah.gov/
Registration Enforcement

Issuing Citations for Expired Registration

Impounding Vehicles that are Improperly Registered

Investigation of Vehicles Registered in other States & Owned by Utah Residents
Types of Registration Fraud

• Operating a vehicle with plates to another vehicle
• Forged or fraudulent expiration stickers
• Forged or fraudulent 45-Day Temporary Permits
• Forged or fraudulent 96-Hour Permits
Motor Vehicle Fraud

Odometer Fraud
Salvage Fraud
Bank Fraud
Insurance fraud
Motor Vehicle Fraud

Vehicle Fraud is any type of Misrepresentation made with Fraudulent Intent involving a Vehicle.
Commercial Auto Theft

Commercial Auto Theft is the theft of Vehicles for Profit

- Chop Shops
- Counterfeit Documents
- Altered or Removed VIN Numbers
Vehicle Identification Numbers
The 17 digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)

- The VIN is designed to assist law enforcement officers in detecting and recovering stolen vehicles.

- Established in 1981 through Federal legislation which required a 17 digit VIN to be affixed to all vehicles.

- Any specific VIN cannot be repeated for the space of thirty years, reducing the likelihood of more than one vehicle bearing the same VIN number.
Acid Lifts/ VIN Restoration

- Magnetic
- Chemical
- Thermal
Commercial Auto Theft

Counterfeit VIN Tag
VIN Switch

• A totaled vehicle and its title are purchased.
• The VIN is removed and put on a matching stolen vehicle.
• The title is then used to register or sell the stolen vehicle.
Questions and Answers

Can be found on the MVED web site.

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