12 CSR 10-23.310 Issuance of Special Fuel Decals

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the procedures for issuance of special fuel decals.

- (1) The owners of the motor vehicles powered by liquefied petroleum (LP) gas, natural gas, or electricity annually shall purchase a special fuel decal prior to January 31 and pay the annual decal fee set by law. For motor vehicles obtained and converted to run on LP gas, natural gas, or electricity after January 31 of any year, the decal fee shall be reduced by one-twelfth (1/12) for each month which has elapsed since the beginning of the year. The owner of any vehicle that was titled, registered, and equipped to run on LP gas, natural gas, or electricity as of January 31 shall pay the full year's fee.
- (A) Example A: An applicant has May plates on a vehicle equipped to run on LP gas and applies for a special fuel decal during February of the following year. The full fee is due.
- (B) Example B: An applicant purchases a vehicle equipped to run on LP gas in May and titles and registers his/her vehicle in the same month. The applicant will be issued a special fuel decal and the fee would be prorated over eight (8) months.
- (C) Example C: An applicant owns a vehicle which has been previously titled and registered and converts it to use LP gas in May. The applicant will be issued a special fuel decal and the fee would be prorated over eight (8) months.
- (2) The special fuel decal fee paid for each motor vehicle is transferable upon either a change of ownership of the motor vehicle or if the LP gas, natural gas, or electrical equipment is removed from the vehicle by the seller upon change of ownership and is subsequently installed in another vehicle acquired or owned by the seller.
- (A) When the ownership of a motor vehicle is transferred to another person, the decal issued to the motor vehicle will remain with the vehicle and shall be transferred to the new owner. The new owner shall complete a new application for the special fuel decal but no fee will be charged for the decal transfer.
- (B) When LP gas equipment, natural gas equipment or electrical power equipment is removed by the owner upon sale of the vehicle and later installed on another vehicle owned or purchased by the same individual, the special fuel decal may be transferred to the newly equipped vehicle. In order to receive credit, the owner will be required to remove the special fuel decal from the vehicle from which s/he removed the LP gas, natural gas, or electrical power equipment and surrender the decal. The department's

fee agent and branch office employees will verify the removal of the decal and issue a replacement decal for the balance of the registration period at no fee.

- (3) If a special fuel decal is lost, stolen, mutilated, or destroyed, the owner shall make application for a replacement decal and pay the replacement fee established by law.
- (4) If an owner of a commercial motor vehicle powered by LP gas, natural gas, or electricity wishes to change the licensed gross weight/zone of the commercial motor vehicle and that change puts the vehicle into an increased special fuel decal fee category, additional decal fees shall be collected. If the change of weight/zone would require a decrease in the decal fee from what was originally paid, no credit shall be allowed.

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