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§13–104.

(a) (1) The application for a certificate of title of a vehicle shall be made by the owner of the vehicle on the form that the Administration requires.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, an application for a certificate of title of an off-highway recreational vehicle, a motor scooter, or a moped shall be made by electronic transmission under § 13–610 of this title.

(3) The owner of a motor scooter or moped shall certify at the time of titling that the motor scooter or moped is covered by the required security described in § 17–103 of this article.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Administration may not issue a certificate of title to any individual who is not at least 18 years old.

(2) The Administration may issue a certificate of title to an individual under the age of 18 years if the individual submits an application for a certificate of title that is cosigned by:

(i) A parent or guardian of the applicant; or

(ii) If the applicant has no parent or guardian or is married, an adult employer of the applicant or any other responsible adult.

(3) The individual cosigning the application of a minor under this subsection shall certify that the statements made in the application are true to the best of the cosigner's knowledge, information, and belief.

(c) The application shall contain:

(1) The full name and Maryland address of the owner, including:

(i) If the owner is an individual, the owner's Maryland residence and mailing addresses;

(ii) If the owner is a business firm, association, or corporation, its federal identification number and:

1. Its business address in this State; or
 2. The name and address of its resident agent in this State;
- (iii) If the owner is a partnership or joint venture, the name of each partner or joint venturer;
 - (iv) If the owner is an unincorporated association, joint stock company, or other group described in § 6–406 of the Courts Article, the name and address of a resident agent on whom service may be made in any lawsuit arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of the vehicle; and
 - (v) If the owner is a trustee, the address of the trust in this State and the name and address of a person in this State on whom service may be made in any lawsuit arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of the vehicle;
- (2)
 - (i) If the owner is an individual, the owner’s date of birth; and
 - (ii) If the owner is a partnership or joint venture, the date of birth of each partner or joint venturer;
 - (3) A description of the vehicle, including:
 - (i) To the extent that the information exists, its make, model, year, vehicle identification number, type of body, and number of cylinders;
 - (ii) If the vehicle is a two–stage vehicle:
 1. The make and year of the first stage; and
 2. The make, model, and year of the second stage;
 - (iii) If the vehicle is a motorcycle with an engine manufactured on or after January 1, 1977, the identifying number of the engine; and
 - (iv) Any other information that the Administration requires;
 - (4) A statement of:
 - (i) The applicant’s title to and each security interest in the vehicle; and

(ii) The name and address of each secured party with any security interest in the vehicle and the nature and order of priority of that interest;

(5) If the sole individual owner of a motor vehicle designates a transfer-on-death beneficiary under § 13–115 of this subtitle, the name and mailing address of the beneficiary; and

(6) Any other information that the Administration reasonably requires to determine if the owner is entitled to a certificate of title.

(d) The application shall be signed by:

(1) Each owner who is an individual;

(2) The individual cosigning the application on behalf of a minor in accordance with subsection (b) of this section;

(3) An officer or authorized agent of the owner, if the owner is a business firm, association, or corporation;

(4) A partner or joint venturer, if the owner is a partnership or joint venture;

(5) An officer or authorized agent, if the owner is an unincorporated association, joint stock company, or other group described in § 6–406 of the Courts Article; or

(6) A trustee, if the owner is a trust.

(e) The application shall be accompanied by each certificate of title of the vehicle that previously may have been issued by this or any other state and still is outstanding.

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