



Massachusetts Buyer Reminder Sheet

Important Information for Massachusetts Residents Buying Vehicles Out of State and Getting an Out-Of-State Temporary Registration

Temporary Registration

Massachusetts will honor your out-of-state temporary registration, but only if it is properly displayed and you carry proof of insurance that meets Massachusetts' minimum coverage requirements. Keep that proof in the vehicle at all times.

Deadlines Still Apply

Your out-of-state temporary registration allows you to drive the car home, but Massachusetts law requires you to apply for a Certificate of Title within 10 days and pay sales/use tax by the 20th of the following month. These deadlines are not extended by the validity of the temporary plate.

Reminder for Dealers

Please provide this information to Massachusetts buyers at the point of sale so they understand their obligations once they return to Massachusetts.

Questions?

Please send an email to: vehicleservicesfeedback@dot.state.ma.us