

IDPR Registration legislation FAQ

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1. What statute changes from the 2014 legislative session affect IDPR Registration customers?

There were two pieces of legislation that passed in the 2014 legislative session that will affect Idaho recreational registration requirements: House Bill 491 and House Bill 492. They were drafted and carried by Idaho recreationists.

2. What is House Bill 491?

House Bill 491 changed the definition of a snowmobile to increase the weight limit from 1,000 pounds to 2,000 pounds. This allows ATVs/UTVs/etc with track kits to purchase a snowmobile certificate of number.

3. Does the state require that snow bikes register as a snowmobile?

No. There is no state law that requires non-motorized, fat tire snow bikes to register as snowmobile. Similarly, there is no state law that requires a non-motorized mountain bike to register as an OHV.

4. What is House Bill 492?

House Bill 492 creates three recreation sticker program changes:

1. New boats are no longer prorated, which will bring in an estimated \$50,000 in revenue annually.
2. It increases the minimum infraction fine from \$10 to \$50.
3. Terminology is streamlined to reflect the following:
 - Certificate of number: This is the product that IDPR sells. It is pocket-size piece of paper to be carried during operation of the vehicle. Previously this was often referred to as a certificate of registration. This change in terminology made up most of the word changes incorporated within House Bill 492.
 - Validation sticker: The physical sticker that is affixed to the machine to verify that the certificate of number has been purchased. Previously this was also called a registration sticker.
 - Vessel number: A number that is assigned to every boat that is registered in Idaho. It is a one-time process, without fees, that is required by the U.S. Coast Guard.

5. When do the changes go in to effect?

July 1, 2014.

6. Does the legislation affect the ownership requirement to purchase a certificate of number?

No, customers must still verify ownership to purchase a certificate of number and associated validation sticker. Ownership can be verified by a title, bill of sale, mail renewal or previous year's certificate of number.

7. Where can I purchase a certificate of number?

IDPR sales channels have not changed. Customers can purchase a certificate of number at the following locations: IDPR headquarters, IDPR regional offices, Idaho state parks, county DMV offices, statewide retail vendors. Renewals can also be processed by snail mail or online.

For a list of vendors in your area, see the following web site:

<http://parksandrecreation.idaho.gov/registration-renewals-permits-passes>

8. Is my certificate of number a trails pass?

No. The certificate of number is not a trails pass. The program was designed and is implemented as a vehicle numbering and sticker program. Please contact the local county law enforcement to find out details if there are any trail permitting requirements in the area where you'd like to play.

9. Where can I view the legislation?

Currently, the legislation can be reviewed at the following web site:

<http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/>

Then search for House Bill 491 and 492 in the "Bill Center."

Eventually, the legislation will be permanently housed at the following web site, under title 67:

<http://legislature.idaho.gov/idstat/TOC/IDStatutesTOC.htm>

10. Why does my paperwork still say certificate of registration?

In a cost saving effort, IDPR will phase out old forms. After the department has exhausted its current inventory of forms, the paperwork will be updated with the new terminology.