

810-5-75-.35 BILL OF SALE - Minimum Requirements. Reference: Section 40-12-260(b)(2), Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. (REPEALED)

(1) Alabama law (Section 40-12-260(b)(2)) provides in part that within the first 20 calendar days on all self-propelled vehicles being purchased or acquired, that prior to receiving a vehicle registration, a registrant must retain a legible copy of the legal bill of sale within the vehicle if the vehicle is not subject to the Alabama Uniform Certificate of Title and Antitheft Act (Section 32-8-1, et seq.).

(2) Invoices are not acceptable as a bill of sale. A bill of sale must be a formal instrument for the conveyance or transfer of ownership to a vehicle. A bill of sale is required for all vehicle sales or transfers, including vehicles that are not subject to the Alabama Uniform Certificate of Title and Antitheft Act.

(3) In order for License Plate Issuing Officials and law enforcement to determine if a bill of sale document is valid, the following information shall be contained within:

(a) Name of purchaser.

(b) Complete street address of purchaser (P. O. Box is not acceptable).

(c) Date of sale.

(d) Complete vehicle description: vehicle identification number, make, year, model or series number, body type.

(e) Name of seller (if the seller is a dealer, the dealer name shall appear as it does on the dealer license).

(f) Complete street address of seller (P. O. Box is not acceptable).

(g) If the seller is a dealer, then the dealer shall have the legend "PENALTY OF fifteen dollars (\$15.00) due if vehicle is not registered in the name of the new owner within 20 calendar days stamped or inscribed in bold and conspicuous print on the bill of sale. (Section 40-12-260 (a)(6) license plate transfer.)

(h) Signature of seller or authorized representative of seller.

(i) signature of purchaser.

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