

TO ILLINOIS MOTORISTS

1. As the State Executive charged with administration of the motor vehicle laws of Illinois I bespeak the active cooperation of motorists in our efforts to minimize death and injury due to the operation of motor vehicles.

2. Experience demonstrates beyond question that 90% of these unfortunate casualties are preventable by

- (a) Compliance with the Law, especially with respect to speed;
- (b) Exercise of care by all concerned, including pedestrians;
- (c) Literal compliance with the admonition to stop, look and listen at all railroad crossings;
- (d) Practice of ordinary courtesy of the road;
- (e) Exhibiting toward other motorists and pedestrians the same regard as you expect them to exhibit toward you;
- (f) Remembering that the child can not be expected to exercise the same judgment as an adult when crossing the highway or playing in the street—you must think for it!

3. Casualties due to automobiles have now reached alarming proportions and it is to the interest of the motorist as well as the great public of Illinois that an improvement be effected immediately.

4. In Cook County alone in 1925, approximately 800 men, women, and children were killed in this manner.

5. I propose, therefore, as a measure of co-operation with the Chicago Safety Council and other agencies concerned in this extremely important problem, that every motorist carrying an Illinois Emblem resolve that in 1927 he will be a safe driver, profit by the advice herein, study the motor vehicle laws of this State and thus do his share in conserving the lives and limbs of our people.

6. Surely your life and the lives of those riding with you are worth the small effort and time required to warrant safe driving under all circumstances.

7. Safety First is Humanitarian—and it pays!

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Secretary of State.

REGISTRATION FEES—Effective Jan. 1, 1925

Year	1/2 Year	Year	1/2 Year	
Motor Bicycles	\$ 4.00	\$2.00	50 H. P. and more than 25 H. P. and less than 50 H. P.	\$10.00
25 H. P. and less than 35 H. P.	8.00	4.00	More than 50 H. P.	25.00
35 H. P. and more than 25 H. P.	12.00	6.00	Electric motor vehicle.	12.00
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Year	1/2 Year
Trailers having gross weight of 2,000 lbs. and less, including weight of trailer and maximum load.	\$ 6.00 \$ 3.00
Trailers having gross weight of more than 2,000 lbs. and not more than 10,000 lbs., including weight of vehicle and maximum load.	25.00 12.50
Trailers having gross weight of more than 10,000 lbs., including weight of vehicle and maximum load.	50.00 25.00

Year	1/2 Year
Dealer's License	\$20.00 \$10.00
Set of duplicate plates	\$10.00

Year	1/2 Year
Fee for first registration as a chauffeur	\$5.00
Fee for renewal of chauffeur's license	3.00

Duplicate motor vehicle license plate, each	\$ 1.00
Duplicate motor bicycle plate, each	.50
Duplicate chauffeur's badge, each	.50
Duplicate Certificate of Registration, each	.50
Duplicate dealer's plates (set of 2 plates)	10.00
Duplicate dealer's plate (lost), each	1.00
Duplicate trailer plate, each	1.00

Year	Automobile Licenses Issued Since 1911	Automobile Fees Received Since 1911
1911	38,269	\$105,544.28
1912	68,012	375,716.22
1913	94,646	507,134.77
1914	131,140	703,403.70
1915	180,832	924,905.74
1916	248,429	1,242,509.85
1917	340,292	1,587,772.69
1918	389,761	2,762,567.53
1919	478,438	3,262,176.57
1920	568,759	5,893,586.02
1921	663,348	6,776,781.17
1922	781,974	7,861,211.21
1923	973,803	9,630,367.77
1924	1,132,641	11,513,957.05
1925	1,267,734	12,936,882.13
1926	1,478,065	14,047,207.86
1927 to April 30th	1,289,107	\$12,846,429.96

Important Provisions in Motor Vehicle Law

Application for a license must be made within 24 hours after purchase of vehicle.

To retain same number, application and request must be filed 30 days before January 1.

Every person operating a motor vehicle equipped with electric headlight or headlights must dim, drop or extinguish them when within not less than two hundred fifty feet of a motor vehicle approaching in an opposite direction regardless of whether or not the machine is equipped with so-called anti-glare lens or dimming device.

Dealers can only use dealer's license plates on machines operated for sales and demonstrating purposes only.

Law requiring garages to keep records of machines held in their place of business for rental, storage, delivery or repair is repealed.

All bus and freight lines operating regularly over fixed or definite routes between two or more municipalities or from a point or points outside a municipality into a municipality or between two or more points outside a municipality or between two or more points inside a municipality over improved state highways and with fixed schedules or rates shall pay additional license fees per each one hundred pounds gross weight of vehicle and load. The fee is \$1.00 per hundred.

No truck or vehicle of the second division shall be operated on any public highway unless it is equipped with a mirror so attached that it will afford the driver a view of the road behind him.

The maximum speed permitted any vehicle of the first division or passenger cars upon any public highway outside of the limits of an incorporated city, town or village, shall not exceed 35 miles an hour.

Whoever except members of fire or police department drive on any public highway a motor truck which is geared to run at a greater speed than that permitted for such motor truck, or if geared to run at a greater speed is not equipped with an apparatus device fixed so as to prevent the motor truck from attaining a speed greater than that permitted by this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Any person operating a motor vehicle knowing that an injury has been caused to person or damage to property due to negligence or to accident shall leave the scene of the accident without giving his name, address and license number to the injured party or to a police officer is subject to \$200.00 fine or imprisonment in county jail one year, or both.

Section	Subject
Section 3.	Capacity plate to be furnished for vehicles of the truck division in addition to the regular number plate. Vehicle combined with trailers shall not exceed 65 feet without special permit.
Section 8.	Requires the owner of a motor vehicle or motor bicycle to procure a license for the same within 24 hours after he becomes the owner thereof.
Section 9.	Secretary of State may furnish duplicates when original plates or certificates of registration are lost, stolen or destroyed.
Section 10.	License numbers may be re-assigned if renewal and request is filed 30 days before January 1.
Section 11.	Lists of licenses issued, furnished sheriffs, county clerks and chiefs of police in cities of 5,000 or over.
Section 12.	Same lists can be furnished industries, corporations, etc., upon payment of fee of \$25.00.
Section 13.	Provision for the registration of motor vehicles carrying freight or more than seven persons, tractors, traction engines and trailers.
Section 14.	Requires additional license fees payable annually of operators of freight and passenger vehicles used for hire when regularly operated over fixed routes on improved highways.
Section 15.	Fees provided for in Section 9 must be paid before the sale of a motor vehicle. It shall shine on the rear of the motor vehicle to which the numbers are legible at least 50 feet.
Section 16.	Authorizes the Secretary of State to bring suit for the collection of registration fees, etc.
Section 17.	License plates must be firmly attached and conspicuously displayed on the front and rear of the motor vehicle to which they are assigned.
Section 18.	License plates must be kept clean.
Section 19.	Prohibits alteration or altering of \$100.00 for mutilating, covering or altering a license plate.
Section 20.	Between one hour after sunset and sunrise, every motor bicycle shall carry one lighted lamp and every motor vehicle shall carry two lighted lamps visible at least 200 feet in the direction the motor bicycle or motor vehicle is proceeding.
Section 21.	At least one lighted lamp must be displayed at the rear of the motor vehicle, motor bicycle or trailer, showing a red light visible in the reverse direction. This light must be so situated that it shines on the rear license plate so that the numbers are legible at least 50 feet.
Section 22.	It is necessary for the operator of a motor vehicle or motor bicycle which is equipped with electric headlights to dim, drop or extinguish such headlights when approaching from the opposite direction.
Section 23.	Between one hour after sunset and sunrise, every motor vehicle or motor bicycle standing on a public highway must display a light on the front of the vehicle.
Section 24.	City, town or village may, by ordinance, designate any lighted street or highway to be darked with automatic lamps lighting.
Section 25.	Manufacturers and dealers in motor vehicles may procure a license covering all makes of cars manufactured or dealt in for sale and demonstrating purposes only.
Section 26.	Dealers' plates are different from regular motor vehicle license plates.
Section 27.	License plates must be conspicuously displayed on the front and rear of each motor vehicle operated on the public highways.
Section 28.	Dealer must give purchaser a Bill of Sale, giving description of car, etc.
Section 29.	Non-resident operator of a motor vehicle must procure a chauffeur's license if he is to operate a motor vehicle in this State for more than six months or any compensation whatsoever for any work or services in connection with the operation of a motor vehicle or the transportation of passengers or merchandise with a motor vehicle for hire or for pecuniary profit.
Section 30.	Application for license must be accompanied by photographs of the applicant, fee and statements of persons knowing him, showing that the applicant is a proper person to receive license.
Section 31.	Applicant must be at least 18 years of age.
Section 32.	Non-resident chauffeur who is sojourning in this State may operate cars without procuring license, for the same period that the State of his residence permits chauffeurs of this State to operate.
Section 33.	License of drunken chauffeur may be revoked.
Section 34.	Chauffeur shall not permit any other person to use his badge, as license is not transferable from one person to another.
Section 35.	No person or corporation shall employ as a chauffeur any person who is not licensed as such.
Section 36.	No person shall operate a motor vehicle or motor bicycle without the consent of the owner.
Section 37.	If a chauffeur accepts any commissions, or remuneration for the purchase of supplies, repair work or anything which shall cost his employer money, he is guilty of a misdemeanor.
Section 38.	Every motor vehicle or motor bicycle must be equipped with good brakes of the first division of the State. Engine must not be left running when motor vehicle or motor bicycle is standing on public highway without an attendant.
Section 39.	Section 21A. Vehicles of second division in motor vehicles may procure a license that driver can view the road behind him.
Section 40.	No driver shall operate a motor vehicle on a public highway at a greater rate of speed than is considered reasonable, having regard for the traffic so as not to endanger the life or limb of any person.
Section 41.	Trucks geared to run at a greater speed than permitted by law must be equipped with a governor.
Section 42.	Upon conviction of above offense, punishment shall be from one to five years imprisonment in the State Penitentiary.
Section 43.	Person owning or offering for sale a motor vehicle with the original engine number destroyed or altered without an engine number, except electric vehicles, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Fine of not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not less than 30 nor more than 180 days or both.
Section 44.	Second conviction of same offense shall be punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one year or by fine of five years.
Section 45.	Secretary of State may give permission to make or stamp a special engine number on the engines of motor vehicles which have none, provided application on proper form is made and the fee thereon is paid of fee of \$1.00. This number shall then become the lawful engine number.
Section 46.	No motor vehicle can be registered without an engine number.
Section 47.	All fees collected are deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Road Fund and shall be used to pay bonded indebtedness which may be incurred for construction of roads or for the improvement of the Highways.
Section 48.	The operating expenses of the Automobile Department are not deducted from the fees collected but are paid from appropriations made by the General Assembly, so that all receipts go into the "Good Roads" fund of the State and are available for any other purpose.
Section 49.	It is necessary for the operator of a motor vehicle or motor bicycle who is an accident to stop and give his name and address, and if not the owner of the machine, give the name and address of the owner, any one who may inquire.
Section 50.	In meeting a person, animal or vehicle on the public highway, it is necessary for the operator of a motor vehicle to keep to the right and pass to the right of a vehicle coming in the opposite direction.
Section 51.	Signal and pass to the left of another motor vehicle in the same direction.
Section 52.	Upon signal from vehicle approaching from the rear, pull to the right and allow it to pass.
Section 53.	The operator of a motor vehicle or motor bicycle shall not drive such vehicle within ten feet of the running board of a street railway car which is stopped, except by signal from a traffic officer.
Section 54.	No person shall drive a motor vehicle upon the public highway which is intoxicated. Fine for violation of this provision of the law is not more than \$200.00, or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than sixty days, or by both.
Section 55.	Section 41A. In case of accident operator must stop and give name, residence, etc., to the injured party or to a police officer or nearest police station or judicial officer. Penalty not to exceed \$200.00 or jail sentence not exceeding one year or both.
Section 56.	Section 42A. Requires tax owners in cities of 100,000 or more to file an annual vehicle \$2.50 bond or insurance policy for completion of policy.

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