

TITLE 9: VEHICLE CODE
DIVISION 2: REGISTRATION AND LICENSES

§ 2104. Registration: Fees.

(a) There shall be paid to the Director of Finance for the registration of vehicles the following fees:

- (1) Bicycles, \$3;
- (2) Mopeds, motor scooters, and motorcycles up to 100cc, \$20;
- (3) Motorcycles and motor scooters over 100cc, \$30;
- (4) Pickups, jeeps, sedans, automobiles, and other motor vehicles not exceeding six passengers or one-half ton capacity and weighing less than 2,000 pounds, \$50;
- (5) Trucks, buses and self-propelled equipment and machinery by gross vehicle weight in pounds as specified by the manufacturer at the time of the original sale or entry into the Commonwealth; whichever is greater:
 - (A) Under 2,999 pounds or fraction thereof, \$50;
 - (B) 3,000 to 4,999 pounds or fraction thereof, \$100;
 - (C) 5,000 to 7,499 pounds or fraction thereof, \$200;
 - (D) 7,500 pounds and over \$400;
- (6) Low boys, \$50;
- (7) All other self-propelled vehicles, \$100;
- (8) For duplicate or substitute registration cards and plates: subsections (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section, \$5; subsections (a)(4), (a)(5), and (a)(6) of this section, \$10; and subsection (a)(7) of this section, \$20.

(b) The new and annual registration fee, regardless of whether or not the vehicle has a Veterans License Plate, for (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), and (a)(4) for a Veteran shall be 25% less than the fee charged for a similarly registered vehicle. A copy of the Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty from the Department of Defense (DD 214) or certification from the Military and Veterans Affairs Office, which signifies proof that he/she served in the U.S. military services, shall be furnished to the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Finance in order to provide for the discounted benefit of vehicle registration fees.

Source: [PL 3-11](#), § 505; amended by [PL 3-58](#), § 1; [PL 3-61](#), § 1 (§ 204); (a)(2) and (3) amended by [PL 15-29](#), § 4; (a) amended by [PL 16-02](#) § 8 (May 3, 2008); amended by [PL 20-25](#) § 2 (Nov. 1, 2017), modified.

Commission Comment: With respect to the reference to the “Director of Finance,” see [Executive Order 94-3](#) (effective Aug. 23, 1994), reorganizing the executive branch, changing agency names and official titles, and effecting other changes, set forth in the Commission comment to [1 CMC § 2001](#).

[PL 15-29](#) took effect on September 26, 2006, and contained the following title, findings, and global amendment sections, in addition to other amendments and severability and savings clauses.

Section 1. Title. This Act may be cited as the “Motor Scooter Act of 2006.”

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Section 2. Findings. The Legislature finds that motor scooters have become a popular mode of transportation for residents and tourists in the Commonwealth. The Legislature further finds that motor scooter businesses have flourished in the past few years as well. However, the Legislature finds that traffic accidents involving motor scooters have also increased due to the increased use of motor scooters on public highways. Furthermore, there was at least one reported traffic fatality involving a motor scooter the past year.

Based on the foregoing reasons, the Legislature finds that motor scooters must be better regulated to protect the health and welfare of CNMI residents as well as tourists visiting the Commonwealth. The purpose of this legislation is to classify motor scooters in a distinct category from mopeds and motorcycles, to make applicable to motor scooters certain rights and duties applicable to other motor vehicles, and to require certain safety equipment on motor scooters and mopeds operated in the Commonwealth.

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Section 9. Global Amendment. The term “motor vehicle” shall be amended and construed to include “motor scooter” throughout Title 9 of the Commonwealth Code.

In codifying [PL 20-25](#), the Commission removed “a” before “vehicle registration fees” in (b) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(g\)](#).