

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §17A-4A-15

§17A-4A-15. Expiration of lien or encumbrance; refiling.

The filing of any lien or encumbrance and its recordation upon the face of a certificate of title to any vehicle as provided in this article is valid for fifteen years only from the date of filing, unless the lienholder refiles the lien or encumbrance in the manner provided in this article for filing and recordation in the first instance, in which event the lien or encumbrance is valid for successive additional periods of five years from the date of each refiling:

Provided, That this article does not require the lienholder to obtain the consent of the owner to refile the lien or encumbrance: Provided, however, That in the case of a mobile home or manufactured home, the filing of any lien or encumbrance and its recordation upon the face of a certificate of title to the mobile home or manufactured home is valid for a period of thirty-three years from the date of filing.

When the last lien or encumbrance shown on a certificate of title becomes invalid by the passage of time as provided in this section, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is not required to maintain a lien index as to the certificate of title.