

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §24A-6A-4

§24A-6A-4. Application for, issuance and use of identification stamps and cab cards; expiration of registration and identification.

(a) On or before December 31, of each calendar year, but not earlier than the preceding first day of October, such motor carrier shall apply to the commission for the issuance of an identification stamp or stamps for the registration and identification of the vehicle or vehicles which it intends to operate, or driveaway operations which it intends to conduct, within the borders of this state during the ensuing year. Such motor carrier may thereafter file one or more supplemental applications for additional stamps if the need therefor arises or is anticipated.

(b) If the commission determines that the motor carrier has complied with all applicable provisions of this chapter, the commission shall issue to the motor carrier the number of identification stamps requested.

(c) An identification stamp issued under the provisions of this article shall be used for the purpose of registering and identifying a vehicle or driveaway operation as being operated or conducted by a motor carrier under authority issued by the I.C.C., and shall not be used for the purpose of distinguishing between the vehicles operated by the same motor carrier. A motor carrier receiving an identification stamp under the provisions of this article shall not knowingly permit the use of same by any other person or organization.

(d) The commission shall require the motor carrier to accompany such application with a list identifying each vehicle (other than one to be used in driveaway operations) which it intends to operate within the borders of this state during the ensuing year. The commission shall further require the motor carrier to keep such list current by filing with it an identification of each vehicle acquired for operation within the borders of this state and each vehicle whose operation is discontinued therein after the filing of such list. The filing of an identification of such newly acquired or discontinued vehicle shall be made with the commission on or before the sixteenth day after the motor carrier initiates or discontinues operation of the vehicle within the borders of this state.

(e) On or before December 31, of each calendar year, but not earlier than the preceding first day of October, such motor carrier shall apply to the national association of regulatory utility commissioners (hereinafter referred to as NARUC) for the issuance of a sufficient supply of uniform identification cab cards for use in connection with the registration and identification of the vehicle or vehicles which it intends to operate, or driveaway operations which it intends to conduct, within the borders of this state during the ensuing year.

(f) A motor carrier receiving a cab card under the provisions of this article shall not knowingly permit the use of same by any other person or organization. Prior to operating a vehicle, or conducting a driveaway operation, within the borders of this state during the

ensuing year, the motor carrier shall place one of such identification stamps on the back of a cab card in the square bearing the name of this state in such a manner that the same cannot be removed without defacing it. The motor carrier shall thereupon duly complete and execute the form or certificate printed on the front of the cab card so as to identify itself and such vehicle or driveaway operation.

(g) The registration and identification of a vehicle or driveaway operation under the provisions of this article and the identification stamp evidencing same and the cab card prepared therefor shall become void on January 1, in the succeeding calendar year, unless such registration is terminated prior thereto.