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## DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

### Requirements for Maintaining Federal Certification Label on Motor Vehicles with Manufacturer's Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 10,001 Pounds or More

The Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended by adding sections 14-137-125 through 14-137-127, inclusive, as follows:

#### Sec. 14-137-125. Definitions

As used in Sections 14-137-125 through 14-137-127, inclusive, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

“Chassis” means the frame, suspension and related components, including the axles that support the body of a motor vehicle.

“Federal Certification Label” means the label containing the manufacturer's name, vehicle identification number, vehicle type, gross vehicle weight rating and gross axle weight ratings as required under the provisions of 49 CFR Part 567.

“Manufacturer” means any alterer, completed vehicle manufacturer, or final-stage manufacturer registered with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as required under the provisions of 49 CFR Part 566 and who is required to affix a Federal Certification Label to an applicable motor vehicle under the provisions of 49 CFR Part 567.

“Motor Vehicle” means a motor vehicle as defined in Section 14-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of 10,001 pounds or more.

#### Sec. 14-137-126. Requirements

1. The Federal Certification Label shall be affixed to each applicable motor vehicle as required under the provisions of 49 CFR Part 567, legible, and maintained in good condition.

2. If repair work to a motor vehicle will damage the required label, prior to performing said repairs, the label shall be photographed and the photograph shall be maintained with the motor vehicle's registration until such time that a replacement label is affixed to the motor vehicle. The replacement label shall be affixed to the motor vehicle within three (3) months of completion of said repairs.

3. If any motor vehicle which has been manufactured in two or more stages or has been altered under the provisions of 49 CFR Part 567 is missing the Federal Certification Label affixed to said motor vehicle by a manufacturer or a photograph of the original label is not available, the motor vehicle's gross vehicle weight rating and gross axle weight ratings shall revert to those established by the original manufacturer of the chassis and shall exclude any extra axles not originally installed on the chassis.

#### Sec. 14-137-127. Penalty

Any person operating a motor vehicle without the required Federal Certification Label as described in Section 14-137-126 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies shall be deemed to have committed a violation of section 14-137 of the Connecticut General Statutes and shall be subject to a penalty as prescribed by law.

**Statement of purpose:** To comply with federal requirements set forth in 49 CFR Part 567 which provides that any motor vehicle with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of 10,001 pounds or more shall maintain the Federal Certification Label inside said motor vehicle.

If a person fails to comply with the provisions as set forth in this regulation, he or she shall be subject to applicable statutory and regulatory authority.

Be it known that the foregoing regulations are adopted by the aforesaid agency pursuant to Sec. 14-137 of the General Statutes, after publication in the Connecticut Law Journal on April 10, 2012 and June 26, 2012, of the notice of the proposal to adopt such regulations.

Wherefore, the foregoing regulations are hereby adopted, effective when filed with the Secretary of the State.

In Witness Whereof: August 9, 2012, Melody A. Currey, Commissioner.

Approved by the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency in accordance with Sec. 4-169, as amended, Connecticut General Statutes: August 25, 2012.

Approved by the Legislative Regulation Review Committee in accordance with Sec. 4-170, as amended, of the General Statutes: November 27, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION

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### Original Appointment and Reappointment to the Position of Police Officer

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Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 7-294e-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended to read as follows;

#### **Sec. 7-294e-1. Original appointment and reappointment to the position of police officer**

(a) **Definitions.** As used in sections 7-294e-1 to 7-294e-24, inclusive:

(1) "Original certification" means the first certification of the individual to a position as a police officer in any law enforcement unit within the state;

(2) "Probationary candidate" means a police officer who, having satisfied pre-employment requirements, has commenced employment with a law enforcement unit, but has not satisfactorily completed the training requirements provided for in section 7-294d of the Connecticut General Statutes;

(3) "Comparative certification" means the certification of a candidate for a police officer position, who has served as a police officer in another state or in a law enforcement unit within the state that is not subject to the statutes and regulations of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council;

(4) "Lateral certification" means the certification of a currently certified Connecticut police officer to a new position as a police officer with a different law enforcement unit within the state;

(5) "Chief of police" means a police officer who holds a position as the head of a law enforcement unit; and

(6) "Council" means the Police Officer Standards and Training Council.