

REFUNDS – NONCOMMERCIAL VEHICLE

- A. A refund may be authorized to the owner of a motor vehicle for any overpayment (vehicle age and weight correction), past or future, paid by the owner for license plate fees.
1. Supporting documentation: registration, explanation of facts, license refund affidavit form (DOR:DMV:200).
 2. The refund is paid out of the motor vehicle fees collected by the county.
 3. Application for the refund must be made within one year from the date the license fee was paid.
 4. The refund is granted to the person to whom the vehicle is currently registered. The title must be in the name of the individual applying for refund, not just assigned on the reverse side.
 5. There is no provision for a refund of license fees on a boat.
- B. The county treasurer is authorized to make a refund based on the documentation.
- C. If an applicant desires to lower the tonnage on a noncommercial declared gross weighted vehicle, no refund is given. The applicant can either retain the current plates with the higher tonnage until the new licensing period and then lower the tonnage or, if so desired, the applicant can return the license plates and a new set of plates with the lower tonnage will be issued.
- D. If an applicant desires to change the license on a vehicle from noncommercial to commercial, the applicant can surrender the noncommercial license plates and receive a credit for the remaining months (to zero) toward the commercial plates or the owner has the option of removing the valid noncommercial license plates and retaining them for transfer to a newly acquired vehicle upon registration of the newly acquired vehicle through the county treasurer (credit will then be given for the remaining months left on the plate at time of attachment).
- E. If an applicant who was unable to obtain a bill of sale prior to making application and thus was assessed 3% excise tax on the book value, later obtains the bill of sale, a refund for the overpayment of the excise tax will be authorized if the request is made within one year from the date of the original application. No refund will be granted on requests made after one year from the date of application.