

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1688

By: Steele of the House

and

Brogdon of the Senate

An Act relating to public health and safety; amending 63 O.S. 2001, Section 4030, which relates to the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act; requiring decal for vessel or outboard motor to be reissued if it cannot be displayed properly due to size; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 4030, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4030. A. Except as otherwise provided by this section, every vessel on the waters of this state shall display the permanent number assigned to it by the Oklahoma Tax Commission which number shall not be obliterated, erased, mutilated, removed or missing.

B. The vessels authorized to display a number other than that required by the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act are:

1. A documented vessel, provided that such vessel is currently registered, is displaying both current registration decals, and the name, hailing port and official federal documentation number assigned to it are displayed on the vessel according to federal law or federal rules and regulations;

2. A vessel from a country other than the United States temporarily using the waters of this state;

3. A vessel from another state owned by an out-of-state resident using the waters of this state;

4. A vessel whose owner is the United States, a state or a subdivision thereof; provided, however, if such vessel is used for recreational or rental purposes on the public waters of this state, said vessel shall display the permanent number assigned to it by the Commission;

5. A vessel that is used exclusively and solely for racing purposes;

6. A vessel that is used exclusively and solely as a lifeboat;  
and

7. A commercial flotation device which is assigned a permit by the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1461 et seq. of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, every vessel and every outboard motor on the waters of this state shall display the current registration decals or decal assigned to it by the Oklahoma Tax Commission. If, due to the size of the decal, the decal is unable to be properly displayed on the vessel or outboard motor, a new decal shall be issued for the vessel or outboard motor that would be able to be displayed properly.

D. The owner of any vessel issued a permanent number pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act, Section 4002 et seq. of this title, shall place on or attach to the vessel said permanent number in such manner as may be prescribed by the rules of the Commission, in order that it may be clearly visible. The number shall be maintained in legible condition.

E. The provisions of this section shall not apply to sailboards.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2003.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of February,  
2003.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 31st day of March, 2003.

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