

# Uniform Guidelines *for* State Highway Safety Programs



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## Highway Safety Program Guideline No. 2

# MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Each State should have a motor vehicle registration program.

I. A model registration program would require that every vehicle operated on public highways is registered and that the following information is readily available for each vehicle:

- Make.
- Model year.
- Vehicle Identification Number.
- Type of body.
- License plate number.
- Name of current owner.
- Current address of owner.

II. Registered gross laden weight of every commercial vehicle.

Each program should have a records system that provides at least the following services:

- Rapid entry of new data into the records or data system.
- Controls to eliminate unnecessary or unreasonable delay in obtaining data.
- Rapid audio or visual response upon receipt at the records station of any priority request for status of vehicle possession authorization.
- Data available for statistical compilation as needed by authorized sources.

III. Identification and ownership of vehicle sought for enforcement or other operation needs.

This program should be periodically evaluated by the State and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration should be provided with an evaluation summary.