Section: 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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General: A vehicle cannot be titled in the name of a minor [a person who has not yet attained the age of eighteen (18) years or who is not emancipated or married]. The Uniform Transfers to Minors Act, however, allows the transfer of a vehicle to a minor's custodian. A vehicle can be titled in the name of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years who is married or emancipated. A custodian is not required.

Requirements:
• When a vehicle is sold or donated to a minor, the title application form, title assignment, bill of sale/act of donation, etc. must be completed using the following format:
  "________________________ (name of parent, legal guardian, trust, etc.) as custodian for ________________________ (name of the minor)." Example: John Doe as custodian for Bob Doe
• All documentation for an original or duplicate title must be signed by the custodian.
• The minor is not required to sign.
• No documentation will be required to prove custodianship.
• Applicable fees

Notes:
• If the vehicle is sold or donated before the minor reaches legal age, marries, or is emancipated, the custodian’s name, followed by the words "custodian for ____________ (name of minor)," and the custodian’s signature are required on the title documentation.
• If the custodian dies before the minor reaches legal age, marries, or is emancipated, once a new custodian is appointed, a title correction can be processed to indicate the new custodian.

Related Policies:
Section 4, Policy 2.00 Basic Requirements For Obtaining A Certificate Of Title
Section 4, Policy 2.03 Completion Of Vehicle Application