

SMM REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Determining whether or not a piece of equipment is required to be registered can be accomplished by asking a few questions:

- * Does the equipment weigh 500 lb. or more?**
A piece of special mobile machinery has to weigh over 500 lb. before registration is required.
- * Is the property where the equipment is operated owned or leased by the unit owner?**
Registration is not required if the person that owns the equipment also owns the property. The equipment will need to appear on the personal property tax schedule.
- * Do they provide a service to others?**
If they are hired to do a job, they are required to obtain SMM registration.

To determine if a unit needs a plate or Z-tab, please ask the following questions:

- * Is the equipment hauled (carried on the back of a truck or trailer) to its location?**
An SMM Z Tab is issued to equipment that are hauled to their destination.
- * Is the equipment driven to its location?**
If the equipment is driven over public highways, an SMM License Plate will be issued.
- * Is the equipment pulled behind a truck to its location?**
When a piece of equipment is pulled over the public highways, an SMM License Plate will be issued.
- * Equipment permanently mounted to a vehicle or trailer?**
If the unit is the same year as the truck or trailer, you will combine the weight and value of both and issue a plate (SMM, Light Truck, GVW, or trailer plate).

If the unit is a different year from the truck or trailer, you will issue a Z tab on the unit and issue (SMM, Light Truck, GVW or trailer) plate to the truck or trailer.
- * Office Trailers - Over 8 1/2' wide Z Tab, under 8 1/2' wide Trailer Plate**

Equipment exempt SMM registration:

- * Equipment owned by the U.S. Government and State of Colorado**
City and Counties register units: license fee and ownership tax is exempt
- * Equipment used solely on property owned or leased by the owner of the equipment.**
Individual - No payment of property tax is required.
Company - Payment of property tax is required.
- * Equipment leased to a Federal, State, and Local Government agency.**
Equipment is only exempt through the term of the lease.
- * Tow dollies and converter gears.**

What information is required on a new purchase or first time registration
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- * A equipment invoice and MSO if new is required if purchased by a dealer. The invoice will need to reflect the following information.
(purchase price, year, make, mode, serial number, and trade-in)

- * A bill of sale when it's an individual to individual sale. The bill of sale will need to reflect the following information.
(sale price, year, make, model, serial number)

The bill of sale and equipment invoices often will not indicate the year or the model of the equipment. The owner will need to provide this information and in some cases, also provide the serial number. You will need the serial number, make, and model before contacting the State Tax Department at (303) 866-2371; they will be able to determine the year of the unit by the serial number.

Additional information is required prior to contacting the State Tax Department when you are inquiring on an air compressor, welder, generator, or pump. Please ask the additional information below:

- 1. Air Compressor - CFM (Cubic Foot Per Minute)**
- 2. Welders - Ampts (Capacity)**
- 3. Pump - Gallons Per Minute**
- 4. Generator - Kilawatts**

